

Philosophy: MA, PhD

The Department of Philosophy is home to 15 faculty with a broad range of research areas and a thriving community of 38 Master's and Doctoral students. Our expertise spans history of philosophy, feminism, ethics, social and political philosophy, philosophy of mind, language, epistemology, metaphysics, and philosophy of science.

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Program

We offer two Masters options and a Doctoral program. Masters students can choose between a one-year program that includes course work and a major research project, or a two-year program that includes a thesis. The PhD is a four-year program and includes course work, a qualifying exam, and completion and defence of a research-based thesis.

Admission Requirements

- MA programs require a four-year bachelor's degree from a recognized university, normally including at least a minor in philosophy. A minimum 75% average is required over the last four semesters.
- The PhD program requires a MA in philosophy or an outstanding record in undergraduate studies in philosophy or a related discipline.

Application Deadline:

PhD Program: January 9, 2026

MA Program: January 16, 2026

Entry: Fall 2026



Faculty

Andrew Bailey
Rowan Bell
Samantha Brennan
Don Dedrick
Monique Deveaux
Peter Eardley
Karyn Freedman
Maya Goldenberg
John Hacker-Wright
Stefan Linqvist
Mark McCullagh
John Russon
Patricia Sheridan
Joshua August (Gus) Skorburg
Andrew Wayne

For a complete list of faculty and their research fields, please visit:

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- History of philosophy
- Ethics, social, and political philosophy
- Feminist philosophy
- Philosophy of science and medicine
- Philosophy of mind and language
- Epistemology and metaphysics
- Philosophy of data science

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Academia
- Policy analyst & research
- Ethicist
- Communications
- Teacher
- Public service

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