

Philosophy B.A. at a Glance



Program Overview:

The Philosophy Major emphasizes effective and critical reading, writing, and speaking; and the study of philosophy deals with the interpretation of texts, the balanced exposition and examination of issues, the construction and appraisal of arguments and explanations, and the critical examination of doctrines and things commonly taken for granted. The skills and training which one receives as a philosophy major or minor are valuable in many careers. The major serves as evidence to prospective employers or graduate schools that one is capable of creative and analytical thinking and proficient in research, reasoning, problem-solving, and verbal and written communication. Among the fields which philosophy majors enter are teaching at the pre-college level, civil service, law enforcement, law, medicine, business, journalism, and publishing.

Careers/Job Opportunities:

- Philosophy Professor
- Philosophy Instructor
- Humanities Professor
- Attorney
- Primary or Secondary Education
- Meeting, Convention, and Event Planners
- Editors
- Journalism

Most of these occupations require graduate school. For example, they may require a master's degree, and some require a Ph.D., M.D., or J.D. (law degree).

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Phi Sigma Tau & The Philosophy Club:

We have two interrelated philosophy student groups: The Philosophy Club and Phi Sigma Tau.

The Philosophy Club

Any student interested in Philosophy is welcome to join the Philosophy Club. There are no eligibility criteria other than a desire to engage with other FIU students with similar philosophical interests. To join go to Orgsync.com and sign up.

Phi Sigma Tau

Phi Sigma Tau is the <u>International Honors Society</u> for Philosophy. FIU hosts the Eta chapter. There are several eligibility criteria. Officially joining Phi Sigma Tau/ and or running for office please requires a 3.2 GPA or higher and having earned no fewer than nine credits in philosophy courses. For details contact the Philosophy Department's Director of Undergraduate Studies or the PST president

Helpful Links:

Department Website: http://philosophy.fiu.edu

CASE Advising Website: http://caseadvising.fiu.edu

MyMajor Website: http://mymajor.fiu.edu

College Requirements:

- All majors in the college must complete 45 credits of upper division prior to graduation. Upper division courses are 3000/4000 level courses, major courses and outside electives can count towards this requirement.
- No 1 and 2-credit physical activity courses can be counted towards the 120 credits needed for graduation.



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