

ROSEMARY PHILOSOPHY

ABOUT MY MAJOR

The <u>Philosophy major</u> is diverse and covers everything from questions about what it means to be human to what does it mean to live well to do we have obligations to other people? It is also teaches you how to apply theories and topics to real world issues. Philosophy focuses on expanding your critical thinking skills and building the essential skills employers are looking for. It's an underestimated major, because you learn written communication, critical thinking skills, team projects, and public speaking. It is really cool and diverse.

WHAT SHOULD PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT YOUR MAJOR?

People don't really understand what philosophy is. Philosophy is about exploring yourself and the world around you. You explore different areas like political philosophy, philosophy of law, environmental philosophy, metaphysics, and so on.

Philosophy majors score higher on the LSAT than any other major. It's great major if you're thinking about law school. There is a philosophy of law course and analytic writing and analysis happen in most classes, so it's good for students who might be thinking about law.

SKILLS

You will build so many skills in the major. My recommendation is to have a willingness to learn and expand your thinking, and be willing to ask lots of questions. Be open-minded and willing to think about topics from different perspectives.

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

I started as a member of the <u>Philosophy Club</u>. We explore ideas and talk about different topics in depth. Our club is for everyone, including students who are not Philosophy majors. Last year I was Co-President of Philosophy Club and helped run meetings and with event set up. Now, I am the Secretary and oversee communications for upcoming events.

This semester we are hosting one of our professors to give a talk about the logic of color. We are also hosting a philosophical film event with the Film Club. Last year one of our professors and a Political Science professor gave a talk on freedom and justice. It was interesting to learn both the philosophical and the political theory side to it.

Being involved has helped me develop better connections with my peers. I liked having more opportunities to bounce ideas off of people on topics that were discussed in class and exploring it further. People from different majors come in and join our conversations, and getting to hear their ideas or thoughts about the questions that we have in class is really cool.

INTERNSHIPS

Work with your advisor to identify opportunities because philosophy is so diverse and we all have a diverse range of interests. A lot of Philosophy students are double majoring in Environmental Science, Social Work, or Political Science. Working with your advisor is pretty important in figuring out what internships are out there, and then they can help you discover what is best for you. There are so many different opportunities, you could intern at a non-profit organization, or at a law office, or even a school.

