Studying Philosophy prepares students to become involved citizens, and to work in a variety of careers in a conceptually and morally complex world. The skills you gain in Philosophy will complement nearly any field of human endeavor.

Why UMD

The Philosophy Minor at UMD lets you sample the various areas of our expertise. If you are interested in, or curious about Consciousness, Ethics, Race and Racism, Eastern Philosophy, Greek Philosophy, Science and what makes it different from Pseudoscience, Theories of Law and Punishment, and/or how Technology affects our Social Relationships, you will find courses here for you.

Acquired Skills

Philosophy majors develop:

- The ability to follow, evaluate and critique complex arguments.
- Strong oral and written communication skills.
- Analytical reasoning and creative problem solving skills, honed by wrestling with some of the most difficult unsolved problems in history.
- The ability to influence, persuade, and present alternative viewpoints.

To see more about the virtues of Philosophy and kinds of employment that our graduates have achieved, please visit the Department of Philosophy.

Career Possibilities

Philosophy majors do extremely well on the LSAT, MCAT, GMAT and GRE. Many majors go on to Law School or Medical School.

Student Clubs

The Philosophy Department has a very active undergraduate Philosophy club, the Socratic Society.

What you can do with this degree?

The skills that Philosophy provides help people succeed in any career path. See Payscale.com and look at the mid-career salaries of Philosophy Bachelor degree holders.

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