

PHILOSOPHY

Chairperson: Tiger Roholt

Philosophy is the rational inquiry into our most basic beliefs and values. All of us, from time to time, ask ourselves deep questions about how we should live, what we should believe, and what we should care about. The answers we find to these questions are important because they make us who we are and they influence how we behave. Regarding this deep value of philosophy, Socrates famously said, "The unexamined life is not worth living."

What many people do not know about the study of philosophy is that it is practically valuable. How so? Philosophy students acquire a powerful set of transferable cognitive skills that are useful in a variety of jobs and professions—skills such as logical reasoning, problem solving and creative thinking, clear and persuasive writing, abstract conceptualization, mental dexterity, and the ability to assess different perspectives and frameworks. These intellectual skills are powerful tools in many professions in our knowledge economy.

Common professions for philosophy majors:

- Technology
- Business
- Law
- Government
- Advertising
- Journalism
- Sales
- Human Resources
- Activism
- Teaching
- Public Policy

Undergraduate

- Philosophy Major (B.A.) (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/philosophy-ba>)
- Philosophy Minor (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/philosophy-minor>)