

# Honors Program in Philosophy

## *Eligibility and Process:*

You must be a declared Philosophy major and demonstrate exceptional academic ability

You may be invited to enter the program by one of your professors or the Department Chair, or you may request to enter the program.

Enroll in and complete PHIL 4301: Honors Tutorial in Philosophy

Complete a thesis as part of PHIL 4301

Choose a thesis director, and two readers from the department (all continuing, full-time members of the department are eligible)

Maintain a cumulative university GPA of at least 3.25, and a GPA of at least 3.50 in the philosophy major

Pass an oral exam on the thesis, conducted by three faculty members



## Reasons to complete an Honors Thesis in Philosophy

- Completing an Honors Thesis provides the student an opportunity to examine a topic of interest in depth.
- Students considering graduate study in philosophy are encouraged to complete an undergraduate thesis.
- Scholarship may be recognized in the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Honors Convocation.
- Scholarship may be considered for presentation at various undergraduate conferences.



# More about the thesis:

Expectations and guidelines are provided by your thesis director, who is usually a professor whose areas of research and teaching most closely match your area of interest.

You may begin work on the thesis as early as the second semester of your junior year, but most students begin in the first semester of their senior year.

The thesis may be combined with internship work, if you and your thesis director agree that this is an appropriate option.

At least three, and no more than six hours of credit will be awarded upon completion of the program.

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