PHILOSOPHY

What is the study of Philosophy?

Philosophy is the study of reality, knowledge, values, logic and related topics. The existence of free will or God, the nature of science, art, emotions and language, ethical theory, proofs, fallacies, and so on. It is one of the oldest subjects of study in the Western world. Philosophy students are trained to think abstractly and write clearly, and rationally assess ideas in a way that few others can equal.

What is unique about Philosophy at the UM?

As a philosophy student in the Faculty of Arts, you will learn how to use logic, language and assessment of evidence to understand the world, our place in the world, and our values. Philosophy instructors use the tools of rigorous logic and clear conceptual analysis to have students better understand such things as the nature of reason, the physical universe, right and wrong, the human mind, and sometimes even the meaning of life. The study of philosophy will help you not only consider these important questions, but also improve your clarity of expression and ability to think critically. It will provide you with a general intellectual toolbox to help you understand reality and solve problems in the real world. The Philosophy Department has active graduate and undergraduate student groups as well.

Program Options

- B.A. Honours Program - 4 years
- B.A. Double Honours Program - 4 years
- B.A. Advanced Major - 4 years
- B.A. Advanced Double Major - 4 years
- B.A. General Major - 3 years
- Minor

Career Opportunities

- Alumni Relations Officer
- Community Organizer
- Humanities Bibliographer
- Legal Researcher
- Social Program Coordinator
- Volunteer Coordinator