Student Learning Outcomes

College of Liberal Arts
B.A. in Philosophy

1. Philosophy majors will be capable of reading both primary and secondary texts, analyzing the arguments contained in them correctly, and developing cogent philosophical arguments in defense of their own claims.

2. Philosophy majors will demonstrate a willingness to entertain criticism, the ability to formulate and reply to reasoned objections, and the ability to present opposing views critically, yet sympathetically.

3. Philosophy majors will demonstrate a broad understanding of key concepts, problems, ideas, and fundamental questions found in the four core areas of the discipline: (1) Logic, (2) Value Theory, (3) History of Philosophy, and (4) Metaphysics & Epistemology.

4. Non-majors taking philosophy to meet gen-ed requirements will recognize the importance of the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to do philosophy.