



CAREER PATHFINDERS

PHILOSOPHY DEGREE

A philosophy degree is designed to give you a broad and general understanding of the world, our place in it, and our values, giving you a strong educational base that's useful in many careers. Any career which demands training in critical and abstract thinking could be enhanced by a background in philosophy. Some of the skills developed in the study of philosophy that appeal to employers are: the ability to summarize complicated materials and solve problems; the ability to formulate and defend ideas and concepts; and the ability to analyze cause and effect.

Career Options / Job Titles

(SOME MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING)

- Advertising Executive (NOC 0124)
- Archivist Assistant (NOC 5113)
- Communications Officer (NOC 1123)
- Critic (NOC 5123)
- Data Analyst (NOC 2172)
- Employment Equity Officer (NOC 1121)
- Fundraiser (NOC 1123)
- Insurance Claim Adjuster (NOC 1312)
- Journalist (NOC 5123)
- Lobbyist (NOC 4161, 4163, 4164)
- Market Research Analyst (NOC 4163)
- Mediator (NOC 1121)
- Non-Profit Director (NOC 0114)
- Planning Consultant (NOC 4164)
- Political Campaign Worker (NOC 0423)
- Promotion Coordinator (NOC 1123)

Skills Developed by Philosophy Majors

- Ability to analyze and construct sound arguments
- Distinguish fine differences between views and find common ground
- Self-motivation
- Flexibility and creativity
- Teamwork
- Be open to new ideas and ways of thinking

Employers / Areas of Employment

- Advertising Agencies
- Consulting Firms
- Cultural Organizations
- Educational Institutions
- Government Agencies/Departments
- Human Resource Departments
- Insurance Industry
- International Organizations
- Marketing/Public Relations Agencies
- Media/Publishing/Telecommunications Industries
- Museums/Galleries
- Political Parties
- Public Interest Groups
- Research Institutes
- Social Service Organizations
- Trade/Professional Associations

Professional Associations and Websites

- Philosophy Fact Sheet <http://uwinnipeg.ca/factsheets/docs/factsheet-philosophy.pdf>
- NOC Codes <http://www5.hrsdc.gc.ca/NOC/English/NOC/2011/Welcome.aspx>
- Canadian Philosophical Association <http://www.acpcpa.ca/en/>
- The Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy <http://www.cswip.ca/>
- Canadian Society for Philosophical Practice <http://www.philosophicalpractice.ca/>
- Western Canada Philosophical Association <http://www.conferencealerts.com/>
- Canadian Bioethics Society <http://www.bioethics.ca/Students/jobs.html>
- Jobs in Philosophy <http://www.jobsinphilosophy.org/lists/Americas>
- Phylo – Job Openings in Philosophy <http://phylo.info/jobs>
- Phil Jobs <http://philjobs.org/>
- Erratic Impact <http://www.erraticimpact.com/>