Philosophy

The Philosophy Department conceives of philosophy as an enterprise of both the mind and the spirit. The faculty are committed to providing the student with the knowledge and skills necessary to become a philosophically literate person. At the same time, our focus is on the integration of this knowledge with each student's process of moral, spiritual and intellectual growth.

The philosophy faculty at Cal Lutheran are trained in a variety of areas:

- · ethics
- · existentialism
- · analytic philosophy
- · philosophy of mind
- · history of philosophy
- · Greek philosophy
- · epistemology
- metaphysics
- phenomenology
- · logic and the philosophy of science

Philosophy is an excellent major (or double major) for students who are prelaw or who are considering graduate degrees in philosophy, religion, theology or bioethics. Finally, for those who are primarily seeking an education to advance their personal growth and the means to integrate various disciplines, philosophical education is irreplaceable.

An undergraduate philosophy education also offers many career and educational opportunities to students whose ambitions lie elsewhere. Hospitals, church vocations, government agencies and business corporations seek out people with a philosophical education, as well as knowledge of applied ethics, because of their training in clear and focused thinking and their sensitivity to a wide range of ethical dilemmas.

Program Requirements

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

32 credits minimum, 20 credits upper division; Philosophy 450

Philosophy 450 (Philosophy Capstone) 2-4

Four to Five Upper Division Philosophy Courses 16-18

Three Philosophy Courses (Lower or Upper Division) 12

Total Hours 32

Minor in Philosophy

16 credits minimum, 12 credits upper division.

Three Upper Division Philosophy Courses

One Philosophy Course (Lower or Upper Division)

12

Total Hours