



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR PHILOSOPHY MAJORS

### SKILLS & ABILITIES OF THE PHILOSOPHY MAJOR

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- Oral Communication
- Written Communication
- Interpersonal Skills
- Demonstrate Teamwork
- Leadership Abilities
- Flexibility
- Analytical Skills
- Ability to Persuade
- Problem Solving Skills
- Initiative
- Goal Orientation
- Negotiation Skills
- Ability to Synthesize
- Creativity
- Organizational Skills
- Presentation Skills
- Computer Skills
- Critical Thinking Skills

### POTENTIAL CAREERS\*

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- Trial Lawyers
- Criminal Law
- Government Attorneys
- Law Clerks
- Academic Counselor
- Case Management Aide
- Drug Abuse Counselor
- Gerontology Aide
- Mental Health Technician
- Social Worker
- Spiritual Counselor
- Lobbyist
- College Professor
- Account Executive
- Advertising Director
- Art Buyer
- Urban and Regional Planner
- Copyeditor/Copywriter
- Teacher
- Events Coordinator
- Human Resources Manager
- Media Planner
- Producer
- Publicist
- Market Researcher
- Sales Representative
- Columnist
- Clergy
- Journalist/Reporter
- Publisher
- Museum Curator
- Filmmaker
- Librarians
- Newscaster
- Production Assistant
- Scriptwriter
- Psychologist
- Archivist
- Communications Consultant
- Government Relations

*\*Some of the potential careers may require post graduate education*

## TYPES OF EMPLOYERS

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- State Government
- Local Government
- Individual/Family Services
- Vocational Rehabilitation Services
- Elementary/Secondary Schools
- Colleges and Universities
- Advertising Agencies
- Marketing Firms
- Corporate Advertising Departments
- Publishing Companies
- Bookstores
- Vacation Resorts
- Chambers of Commerce
- Radio and TV Stations
- Literary Agencies
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Writing/Editing Firms
- Hospitals
- Military Bases
- Peace Corps
- Prisons, Jails
- Recreational Centers
- Religious Organizations
- Museums
- Insurance Agencies

## TOP 10 OCCUPATIONS

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Clergy, other religious workers  
Top and mid-level managers, executives, administrators  
Artists, broadcasters, writers, editors, entertainers, public relations  
Insurance, securities, real estate, business services  
Sales occupations, including retail  
Construction, trades, miners, well drillers  
Secretaries, receptionists, typists  
Other management-related occupations  
Other administrative (e.g. records clerk, telephone operators)  
Personnel, training, and labor relations specialists  
Other administrative (record clerks)  
Accountants, auditors, other financial specialists

## POST-GRADUATION ACTIVITIES

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- About 52% proceed to earn a post-graduate degree.
- About 55% of the master's degrees are earned in philosophy.
- About 14% of the master's degrees are earned in the field of education.
- About 9% of the master's degrees are earned in the field of psychology.

## RESOURCES AND ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE PHILOSOPHY MAJOR

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American Society for Aesthetics-<http://aesthetics-online.org/>  
American Philosophical Association-<http://www.apaonline.org/>  
American Society for Bioethics and Humanities-<http://asbh.org/>  
International Society for Environmental Ethics--<https://enviroethics.org/>  
O\*Net-[onetonline.org](http://onetonline.org)

Sources: *The College Majors Handbook (Fogg, Harrington, & Harrington, 2012)*, *Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors (2008)*, *University of Connecticut Career Services*