What can I do with a Major in Philosophy?

Skills Developed

- Abstract Thinking
- Critical, Analytical & 'Big Picture' Thinking
- Advanced Information Acquisition & Management
- Formulate & Defend Ideas
- Analytical & Deductive Reasoning
- Identifying & Clarifying Values
- Attention to Detail
- Information Gathering
- Capable of Reading at Length
- Logical Reasoning
- Meet Deadlines
- Negotiation
- Organizational
- Problem Solving
- Written & Oral Communication
- Research
- Statistical
- Work Independently

Work Environments

Philosophy provides an excellent foundation for further studies in law (corporate, mediation, or prosecution). Graduates from the Department of Philosophy at the U of L have gone on to distinguished careers as professors, senior academic administrators, lawyers, business managers, scientists and a wide range of other professional fields. New graduates may find employment with art companies, consulting firms, educational institutions, governmental organizations, health agencies, media companies, non-governmental and non-profit organizations, religious organizations, or research institutes.
Key Areas of Specialization:
Justice & Goodness, Truth & Reality, Social Philosophical Concerns, Scientific Philosophical Concerns, Human Creativity & Artistic Expression

Entry Level Job Titles

These jobs are normally intended for new graduates and require 0 to 2 years of experience. It is important to note that many entry level positions require some related experience or demonstrated ability to perform job-related tasks. Even those positions that do not require experience will still prefer an experienced candidate, if one is available.

- Activity Aide
- Community & Program Facilitator
- Disability Trainer
- Fundraising & Development Assistant
- Human Resources Administrator
- Philosophy Teaching Assistant
- Policy Intern
- Product Specialist
- Program Support Specialist
- Rehabilitation Counsellor
- Research Coordinator
- Think Tank – Research/Program Interns
- Youth Engagement Coordinator

Note: The U of L offers various resources and programs to facilitate students in gaining work and volunteer experience. Find an entry level position on the CES job board or join the Management or Arts & Science Cooperative Education Programs. Summer jobs, part-time work, internship positions and volunteer experience help students to enhance their skillset and accumulate work experience for their future career.

Related Job Titles

These jobs generally require relevant work experience and/or further education.

- Administrative/Management Staff
- Advertiser
- Advertising Account Executive
- Alumni Relations Officer
- Archival Scientist
- Artificial Intelligence Design & Ethics Consultant
- Bioethics Officer
- Biographer
- Biomedical Ethics Researcher
- Business Administrator
- Business Analyst
- Business Ethics Consultant
- Community Organizer
- Consultant
- Corporate Proposal Writer
- Corporate Sales Executive
- Corporate Training/Development Officer
- Correctional Services Agent
- Critical Analyst
- Cultural Studies Specialist
- Development Manager
- Editor
- Environmental Ethics Consultant
- Ethics Consultant
- Film Researcher/Copywriter
- Foreign Service Officer
- Fundraiser
- Government Policy Analyst
- Health Administrator
- Historian
- Historical Museum Administrative Assistant
- Hospice Worker
- Human Resource Specialist
- Human Rights Advocate
- Humanities Bibliographer
- Immigration Services Officer
- Intelligence Officer
- International Development Officer
- Journalist
- Legislative Policy Advisor
- Librarian
- Lobbyist
- Logistics Coordinator
- Mediator
- Medical Ethics Consultant
- Political Aide
- Political Critic
- Politician
- Press Agent
- Public Administrator
- Public Policy Analyst
- Public Relations Officer
- Public Servant
- Publisher
- Research Assistant

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• Social Activist
• Social Services Agent
• Special Program Administrator
• Speech and Content Analyst
• Socially Activist
• Social Services Agent
• Special Program Administrator
• Speech and Content Analyst
• University Professor
• Web Content Writer
• Writer

Thinking Outside the Box: Other Possible Job Titles

On average, people change their careers three to five times in their lifetime. So, no matter what major you choose, you may still be interested in opportunities totally unrelated to your program of study. We encourage you to be open to all possibilities! Your undergraduate degree can be a springboard for other educational pursuits, and your transferable skills and experience can prepare you to work in a multitude of settings.

• Accountant
• Anthropologist
• Art Critic
• Broadcaster
• Communications Director
• Counsellor
• Customer Satisfaction Specialist
• Financial Advisor
• Insurance Agent/Broker
• Investment Banker
• Lawyer
• Legal Researcher
• Manager Analyst
• Marketing Specialist
• Minister
• Naturopath Practitioner
• Paralegal
• Patent Lawyer
• Police Officer
• Product Manager
• Psychologist
• Real Estate Agent
• Recruiter
• Sales Consultant
• Social Worker
• Sociologist
• Theologian
• Urban and Regional Planner

Useful Resources

Recommended websites to assist in exploring the field of Philosophy and its career opportunities.

The Canadian Philosophical Association
http://www.acpcpa.ca

Canadian Society of Continental Philosophy
http://www.c-scp.org/

Canadian Society for the History & Philosophy of Science
http://www.yorku.ca/cshps1/

Canadian Philosophy of Education Society
http://www.philosophyofeducation.ca

Canadian Society of Philosophical Practice
http://www.philosophicalpractice.ca

Alberta Human Rights Commission
http://www.albertahumanrights.ab.ca

Canadian Business Ethics
http://www.businessethics.ca/

Canadian Association of Statutory Human Rights Agencies
http://www.cashra.ca/

International Society of Human Rights
http://www.ishr.org

Human Rights Education Associates
http://www.hrea.org

EpistemeLinks – Philosophy Resources
http://www.epistemelinks.com

American Philosophical Association
http://www.apaonline.org

International Federation of Philosophical Societies
http://www.fisp.org/

International Society of Philosophers
http://www.isfp.co.uk
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**Career & Employment Services (CES)**

CES assists U of L students and graduates with their career exploration and work search needs.

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1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.