



## Philosophy & Theology Division

# Philosophy

Students majoring in philosophy at Mount Mary College are exposed to a thoughtful examination of the human experience. Philosophy emphasizes reasoning, reflection, an awareness of the “big picture,” and sensitivity to different experiences, opinions and beliefs. Mount Mary’s Philosophy Department offers a flexible, focused approach to philosophy that is especially designed to appeal to the concerns and interests of women.

The study of philosophy seeks to cultivate an appreciation of the recurring questions of philosophy, as well as the ability to approach these questions with intelligence and integrity. The unique character of philosophical questions is that they must be answered for every generation.

Philosophy can be either a stand-alone major or second major complementing work in another academic area. A minor in philosophy is also available. Most Philosophy majors at Mount Mary College elect to pursue a double major. Students typically link philosophy with a career-oriented major, but philosophy has been paired effectively with every major offered by the College. Students who decide to double major need to meet the requirements of both curriculums.

As either a major or a minor, philosophy adds an important and résumé-building dimension to any area of study by giving it intellectual depth and an ethical focus. The program emphasizes critical thinking and logical reasoning — important “life skills” that are helpful in any career or as preparation for advanced study.

### Careers

The study of philosophy prepares students for a diverse range of careers in fields such as:

- Law
- Banking
- Management
- Education
- Government
- Medicine
- Social Services
- Publishing
- Criminal Justice
- Advertising



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### Did you know?

Nearly 60 percent of Mount Mary’s philosophy graduates have earned an advanced degree. More than 30 percent of philosophy majors throughout the country in the last 20 years presently have a master’s degree or higher in a variety of fields. There are more than 80 schools in the U.S. with Ph.D. programs in philosophy. Graduates from Mount Mary’s undergraduate philosophy program have gone on to do successful graduate work at Boston College, George Washington University, Marquette University and Northern Illinois University.

### Sample Philosophy courses

- Search for Meaning
- Theory of Ethics
- Technology and Human Values
- Social and Political Philosophy
- Philosophy and Literature
- Philosophy and Film
- Philosophy of Art and Beauty
- Women Philosophers

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## Philosophy Club

The Philosophy Club is open to all members of the College community. It's an outlet for those who crave to know more about themselves and the world around them. The club hosts events such as lectures, panel discussions, movies, field trips, conferences, social gatherings and more. Each fall Mount Mary College holds a philosophy awareness day to promote philosophical thinking on campus and other special events throughout the year.

## Personalized Attention

If you choose to study philosophy at Mount Mary College you will enjoy personalized attention from our faculty not found at larger institutions of higher learning.

Mount Mary does not use teaching assistants (TAs). All classes are taught by well-trained educators with years of experience. Mount Mary students enjoy small class sizes and one-on-one interaction with top-notch professors.

## Faculty

- Jim Conlon, Ph.D., Marquette University
- Jennifer Hockenbery, Ph.D., Boston University
- Shannon Duval, Ph.D., Pennsylvania State University



## More on the Web

Visit [www.mtmary.edu/dept\\_philosophy.htm](http://www.mtmary.edu/dept_philosophy.htm) for more information about Mount Mary's Philosophy Department.

## About Mount Mary College

Discover what the more than 1,900 current Mount Mary graduate and undergraduate students already know. Mount Mary offers an engaging and transformational education. Here students explore and expand their hopes and dreams. We invite you to be one of them.

Mount Mary's residential campus is home to a diverse student body. Be a part of our gorgeous suburban campus, just 20 minutes from downtown Milwaukee.

For over 90 years Mount Mary College has been educating women in the Catholic tradition – we are committed to your success. Nearly 100% of our full-time undergraduate students receive a scholarship. Mount Mary is dedicated to making a college education affordable for you.

See how Mount Mary's strong academics, small class sizes, safe and vibrant campus, and student organizations and leadership opportunities will help you achieve your personal and career goals. Contact the Admission Office at 800-321-6265 or [mmc-admiss@mtmary.edu](mailto:mmc-admiss@mtmary.edu).

