



**College of Arts and Humanities
Academic Learning Compacts**

Philosophy, B.A.

Discipline Specific Knowledge, Skills, Behavior and Values

1. Students completing the BA program in Philosophy will have a competent understanding of major philosophical fields, subjects and issues, especially as they apply to knowledge, value, and action.
2. Students completing the BA program in Philosophy will be able competently to apply the techniques of the discipline, including critical thinking, analysis, problem-solving and theory construction.

Critical Thinking

3. Students completing the BA program in Philosophy will be able to identify theses or positions regarding knowledge, value, and action in samples of philosophical writing.
4. Students completing the BA program in Philosophy will be able to identify the arguments provided in support of claims to knowledge, assessments of value, and proposals for action.
5. Students completing the BA Program in Philosophy will be able to critically assess the adequacy of arguments and respond in relevant ways to philosophical arguments provided in support of claims to knowledge, assessments of value, and proposals for action.

Communication

6. Students completing the BA program in Philosophy will be able to express, clearly and cogently, positions or theses regarding knowledge, value, and action in their own philosophical writing.
7. Students completing the BA program in Philosophy will be able to express, clear, logically defensible arguments regarding knowledge, value, and action in their own philosophical writing.
8. Students completing the BA program in Philosophy will be able to critically consider and express opposing arguments or evidence against their theses, in their own philosophical writing.

Assessment of Philosophy, B.A. Outcomes

These outcomes will be assessed using a variety of assessment methods, including:

- tests
- projects
- essays

- position papers and presentations