

Departmental Policy Statement: Philosophy

College of Arts & Sciences

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Curriculum

Philosophy supports broad undergraduate instructional needs, the instructional and research needs of the Masters and Doctoral programs, and the research needs of the faculty in all major areas of philosophy. The Philosophy Department has major emphases in the History of Philosophy (Ancient and Modern, and to a lesser extent Medieval); in Contemporary Continental Philosophy (including Existentialism, Post-Modernism and Post-Structuralism); in Contemporary Analytic Philosophy (including Logic, Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Science, and Philosophy of Language); and in Ethics, Feminism, and Race Theory.

Purpose and Scope of the Collection

The breadth and depth of the undergraduate program, the various Masters and Doctoral programs, and the strong research interests of the faculty in all traditional areas require that a research level of the collection be maintained for most subjects.

Geographic Coverage

There are no particular geographic limitations.

Period Coverage/Date of Publication Range

There are no particular period limitations.

Languages

Important works of scholarship and primary sources are collected in all Western languages.

Types of Materials

Monographs:

Publication in philosophy is almost entirely in books and serials, the latter being particularly important for this discipline. Bibliographies, biographies, and histories related to the study of philosophy are extensively collected.

Serials/Series:

Professional journals, indexes and abstracts.

Theses/Dissertations:

Dissertations are acquired as needed or requested.

Electronic Resources:

Microforms:

Research collections in microforms are purchased when deemed relevant.

Audio/Visual:

Acquired as needed or requested.

Location of Materials

Almost everything acquired for philosophy is kept in McWherter Library.

Special Collections

None specified.

Subject Areas by LC Classification

B1 - B5739	Philosophy
BC1 - BC199	Logic
BD10 - BD701	Speculative Philosophy
BH1 - BH301	Aesthetics
BJ1 - BJ2195	Ethics

Related Areas of Collection

English	History	Judaic Studies	Mathematical Sciences
Psychology	Sociology	Women's Studies	