The mission of the Department of Philosophy is to:

- preserve, increase, and transmit knowledge of the discipline of philosophy and its applications,
- foster critical and moral thinking skills,
- support excellence in faculty research and creative activity, and
- promote public dialogue on matters of significance throughout the university and community.

The department regards as a high priority developing excellence in the area of Latin American philosophy.

The department maintains its commitment to fostering critical thinking and dialogue on matters of public interest. The successful Dialogue Series will continue, and we will especially look to encourage more connections with and involvement from the local community. We shall seek endowment funding for some or all of the series.

We anticipate that the number of our majors and minors will continue the steady increase we have witnessed since the 1980s and, so, predict a yearly increase of 10%. Students will continue to find attractive the skill set that is developed by the study of philosophy.

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