Why major in Philosophy? Why think about your Life?
If you have one opportunity in your life--college--to be weighing what’s important, shouldn’t you embrace it?

• Philosophy majors learn how to think rigorously.
• Philosophy majors learn that thinking is pleasurable.
• Philosophy majors learn how to write carefully.
• Philosophy majors learn how to speak well.
• Philosophy majors learn what the important issues in life are.
• Philosophy majors learn how to be civically engaged.
• Philosophy majors learn how to read deeply and with precision.
• Philosophy majors learn the skills necessary to any job, any career, any vocation.

Do these questions interest you?
What is justice?
What is happiness?
What is the meaning of life?
What is a good life for a human being?
What is nature?
Has technology remade human nature?
What is the divine?
What is knowledge?
What is courage?
What is friendship?
What is death, and does it matter?
Are human beings free?
Why is there something rather than nothing?

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At RU, we take the study of philosophy seriously!
• Professors Warner and Minkov are available to their students by either phone, email, text, or in their offices seven days a week, fifty-two weeks out of the year.
• We are always eager to discuss any philosophical subject with our students, whether they are majors or not.
• We carefully advise our majors, not only choosing the best philosophy courses, but helping students to plan out schedules that will take advantage of the best RU has to offer.

At RU, philosophy is different!
• Students read the best thinkers philosophy has to offer: Heraclitus, Parmenides, Herodotus, Plato, Xenophon, Augustine, Machiavelli, Montaigne, Hobbes, Descartes, Locke, Montesquieu, Rousseau, Kant, Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Heidegger, Wittgenstein, Camus, and Foucault.
• Students are able to explore philosophical questions in untraditional places: Philosophy in Film; Philosophy in Literature; Philosophy & Politics; Philosophy & Technology.
• Philosophy frequently offers what we call “one-book courses,” where we study one book—e.g., Plato’s *Republic* or Montaigne’s *Essays* or Nietzsche’s *Beyond Good & Evil*—in depth.

Here’s what some RU Philosophy graduates are doing now:
• Mary Simmerling, Assistant Professor of Public Health, Weill Cornell Medical College (New York)
• Robert Hoffman, National Accounts Manager, University of Chicago Press
• Stéphane Douard, Administrator, Study Abroad Program, Université de Paris
• Marina Denischik, Ph.D. Candidate, Philosophy, Boston College
• Alex Limanowski, Ph.D Candidate, Philosophy, Tulane University
• Mark Partain, J.D. Candidate, Brooklyn Law School
• Kevan Loy, Computer Programmer
• Jeff Schaller, Assistant Librarian, Special Collections, Newberry Library
• Nicole Wallen, Yoga Instructor
• Micah Spangler, Deputy Legislative Director, UN Foundation

The Montesquieu Forum:
• The discipline of Philosophy is directly affiliated with the Montesquieu Forum, an internationally renowned organization, directed by Professors Warner and Minkov, devoted to bringing world-class scholars to RU to lecture on subjects that are at that same time being taught in our philosophy courses. This gives students a unique opportunity to engage and learn from these scholars in those subjects they have been studying during the whole semester.