PHILOSOPHY

Think for Yourself

LEADERSHIP with heart
What is consciousness? Are all actions determined by outside causes? Where do morals come from? What can we know for certain?

The study of Philosophy provides many chances to think hard about these and other questions that can fundamentally change the way you view and interact with the world.

**THE HURON ADVANTAGE**

At Huron, you will be in the company of expert scholars and students who, like you, aren’t satisfied with accepting everything at face value. You’ll discover what the great thinkers of the past and present have said, and you’ll develop your own reasoned ideas in response.

Our small class sizes and one-on-one faculty mentorship provide the ideal environment to explore the meaning of our experiences.

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Angela Zhang | Year 3
Honours Specialization in Philosophy

“As a Philosophy student, I was able to enrich the Liberal Arts education I was getting. The curriculum offered the flexibility I needed and the rigorous material gave me a sense of challenge.”
First Year: Unlimited Possibilities

Your first year is all about exploration and discovery. During this time, there are minimal required courses so you can try out a wide variety of subjects and disciplines. Learn about something completely new. Find your passion.

Need a Mentor? Be a Mentor.

Senior students and alumni will help you plan your studies and your career. In your senior years, volunteer to mentor another student!

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First-Year Courses

Reasoning and Critical Thinking
Enhance your ability to evaluate various forms of reasoning found in everyday life as well as in academic disciplines.

Right and Wrong
Analyze selected philosophical problems in the areas of ethics and political/legal philosophy.

Reality and What We Can Know of It
Topics include the mind/body problem, free will and personal identity, the existence of God, skepticism and truth.

Form, Thought, Communication
An introduction to the meaning, use and grammatical structures of two kinds of languages – the natural ones and the artificial ones that logicians have invented to help in reasoning.

Sample First-Year Timetable

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As a Huron student, you can combine any program with a minor, major or specialization from another Huron program or a major or minor in many of the programs offered at Western, Brescia or King’s, such as:

- Management & Organizational Studies
- Psychology
- History
- Political Science
- Economics
Huron and IVEY
In collaboration with the Ivey School of Business, Huron offers five-year combined degrees, in which students earn both an Honors Business Administration (HBA) degree and an Honors Specialization Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Philosophy.

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Huron and HARVARD
As the only university partner in Ontario, Huron students can earn a Credential of Readiness from Harvard’s Online Business School.

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AFTER FIRST YEAR, You Can Study:
- Sex, Love & Friendship
- Asian Philosophy
- Philosophy of Money
- Cultures, Values & Human Rights
- Philosophy of Law
- Justice
- Bias, Rationality & Objectivity
- Nationalism & Public Morality

“Many young people are getting pleasure and insight from freewheeling philosophical debate about life’s big questions. We try to conserve what is most valuable from the past while following the argument where it leads.”

GLEN KOEHN
Associate Professor, Chair of the Philosophy Department

FACULTY RESEARCH EXPERTISE
Huron’s faculty are experienced researchers and mentors.

- Philosophy of law
- Ancient Greek philosophy
- Social and political thought
- Foundations of knowledge
- Decision theory

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS
In addition to awards open to students in all disciplines, students of Philosophy at Huron are eligible for special awards and scholarships, including:

- The Godsoe Family Scholarships of Distinction in English and Philosophy
- The Mr. and Mrs. Benno Schachter Memorial Prize in Philosophy
- The Walker Family Memorial Award
- The Philosophy 1350 F/G Prize

GET INVOLVED!
The Huron Philosophy Society is open to all Huron students. This active and engaged club, funded by Huron’s Students’ Council, hosts film viewings, forums and social events to build community and generate philosophical discussions.
WHAT DO OUR GRADS DO?

Learning to analyze arguments and think for yourself is exciting. It is also a fundamental skill for Leaders with Heart who must know how to think critically, ask questions and relentlessly pursue wise and just answers. It’s no accident many leaders in law, business and government have a background in philosophy. Our grads have gone on to careers and studies in areas such as:

- Law
- Education
- Public Relations
- Policy
- Foreign Service
- Medicine
- Communications
- Investment Counselling
- Market Research
- Journalism
- Politics
- Biomedical Ethics

SCHOLAR’S ELECTIVES: ARE YOU A HIGH-ACHIEVING, SELF-MOTIVATED STUDENT INTERESTED IN PURSUITING INDEPENDENT RESEARCH? APPLY TO BE A PART OF THIS COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS THAT FOSTERS RESEARCH SKILLS AND COLLABORATION.

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“Philosophy teaches you to question things and gives you the tools to get to the answers, so it’s a great, great background.”

DAVID BEESTON, Class of 2001, Honors BA in Philosophy
Executive Vice-President and Chief Strategy Officer, Boston Red Sox
EARN & LEARN

AT HURON, EVERY STUDENT IS GUARANTEED A PAID INTERNSHIP and volunteer positions to help you build valuable experience. Recent examples of internships held by students of Philosophy include:

- Sales & Finance at The Score
- Practice Management Team at Nesbitt Burns with BMO

RECENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDED POSITIONS AT:

- Huron Philosophy Society
- Mentorship Program – Peer Mentor
- Huron Literary Society

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

In annual or semi-annual philosophy conferences, Huron students gain exposure and valuable experience by presenting their work to a wider audience of peers and faculty.

Challenging our students to be LEADERS with heart