

Undergraduate study in Philosophy



Have you ever considered the difference between knowing something and merely believing it? Have you ever worried about how to tell right from wrong, or even considered that there may be no such things?

Perhaps you've even asked yourself how it is that words and sentences have meaning - how this printed material is conveying information to you? Come to Birmingham to study Philosophy and develop the analytical skills required to address these issues and explore the world around you.

Courses

Single Honours

[Philosophy BA \(/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy.aspx\)](/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy.aspx)

Philosophers will argue about anything...even about what philosophy is. So if you disagree with any of the following, you are probably the perfect candidate for Philosophy! Philosophy is for people who find they are bothered **[\[more... \(/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy.aspx\)\]](/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy.aspx)**

[Philosophy, Religion and Ethics BA \(/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy-religion-ethics.aspx\)](/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy-religion-ethics.aspx)

What is the meaning and goal of life? How do different religions, cultures and philosophies understand the human predicament? Are there shared human values? Can we prove the existence of God? Can different religions **[\[more... \(/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy-religion-ethics.aspx\)\]](/undergraduate/courses/phil/philosophy-religion-ethics.aspx)**

[Politics, Religion and Philosophy BA \(/undergraduate/courses/thr/politics-religion-philosophy.aspx\)](/undergraduate/courses/thr/politics-religion-philosophy.aspx)

This distinctive programme is run by the Department of Theology and Religion and seeks to bring together the three elements of Politics, Religion and Philosophy to allow you to explore significant dimensions of public and private **[\[more... \(/undergraduate/courses/thr/politics-religion-philosophy.aspx\)\]](/undergraduate/courses/thr/politics-religion-philosophy.aspx)**

Joint Honours

[Classical Literature & Civilisation and Philosophy BA \(/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/classical-literature-and-civilisation-and-philosophy.aspx\)](/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/classical-literature-and-civilisation-and-philosophy.aspx)

[Philosophy and Sociology BA \(/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/philosophy-and-sociology.aspx\)](/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/philosophy-and-sociology.aspx)

[English and Philosophy BA \(/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/english-and-philosophy.aspx\)](/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/english-and-philosophy.aspx)

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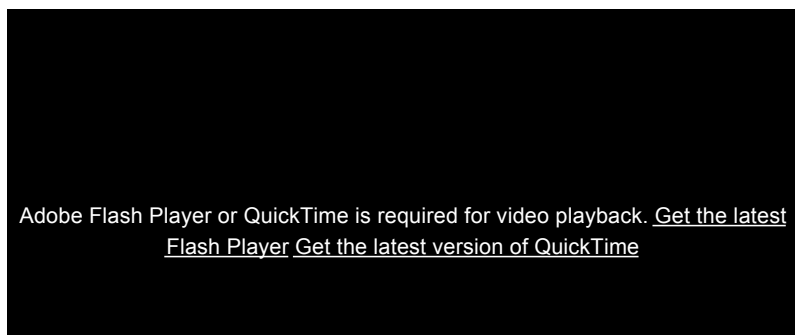
[Mathematics and Philosophy BA \(/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/mathematics-and-philosophy.aspx\)](/undergraduate/courses/jointhonours/mathematics-and-philosophy.aspx)

All of these programmes provide students with a grounding in core areas of philosophy (the building blocks of all philosophy) as well as with lots of opportunity to explore the areas of philosophy which they are particularly drawn to. We also encourage students to develop their own particular interests and students take 'independent study' modules to prepare them for their final year project (the 'dissertation'). This gives students scope to immerse themselves in the area of philosophy they love best or to tackle the philosophy dilemma which troubles them most.

Learn more

- **[Why study Philosophy? \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/undergraduate/phil/philosophy.aspx#optTabID\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/undergraduate/phil/philosophy.aspx#optTabID)**
- **[Current student views \(/schools/ptr/departments/philosophy/undergraduate/student-views.aspx\)](/schools/ptr/departments/philosophy/undergraduate/student-views.aspx)**
- **[Graduate profiles \(/schools/ptr/departments/philosophy/alumni/index.aspx\)](/schools/ptr/departments/philosophy/alumni/index.aspx)**
- **[Career opportunities for Philosophy graduates \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/undergraduate/phil/philosophy.aspx#additionalCourseInfo1\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/undergraduate/phil/philosophy.aspx#additionalCourseInfo1)**

Undergraduate Open Day talk 2014 given by Dr Darragh Byrne



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