

## What Can I Do With a Major in Philosophy?

### **Possible Career Options**

*(some career options could require advanced study)*

Advertising/Copy Writer  
 Arbitrator  
 Claim Adjuster/Examiner  
 Congressional Staff Member  
 Consumer Advocate  
 Contract Administrator  
 Editor  
 FBI/CIA Agent  
 Foreign Student Advisor  
 Fund Raiser  
 Grant Writer  
 Human Resource Manager  
 Insurance Agent  
 Intramural Director  
 Inventory Control Specialist  
 Legal Assistant  
 Librarian  
 Lobbyist  
 Management Consultant  
 Market Research Analyst  
 Marketing/Sales Manager  
 Missionary  
 Museum Manager  
 Peace Corps Worker  
 Press Secretary  
 Professor  
 Public Relations Specialist  
 Religious Education Director  
 Researcher  
 Social Worker  
 Student Affairs Administrator  
 Technical Writer

### **Transferable Skills**

Sees the world from the perspective of other individuals and other cultures

Perceives the relationships among various fields of study

Senses the meaning and varieties of human experience

### **Research Skills**

Elicits hidden assumptions

Summarizes complicated material

### **Problem Solving Skills**

Analyzes concepts, definitions, arguments, and complex problems

Organizes ideas, deals with questions of value, and extracts essential information

Distinguishes fine differences between views and discovers common ground

Generates ideas and formulates solutions

### **Communication Skills**

Presents ideas through well-constructed, systematic arguments

Expresses a distinctive view and explains difficult material

Eliminates ambiguities and vagueness in communication

Constructs useful language

### **Persuasive Skills**

Constructs clear information, good arguments, and apt examples

Builds and defends views and appreciates competing positions

Persuades people and adapts to change

### **Writing Skills**

Writes interpretively, argumentatively, and descriptively

Develops structure and technique while anchoring generalizations

**Employment Sites**

Past interns and graduates have worked at:

Ashland University

Brethren Church National Office

Cleveland State University

North Central Technical College

**Experiential Education**

Organizing exhibits and leading tours at a museum

Conducting research and running statistic analysis

Developing materials to support grant applications submitted by local human service agency

Serving on non-profit agency's allocation of funds committee

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**Additional Resources**

*Occupational Outlook Handbook*, (2002-03), US Department of Labor.