Annual Report on Program Student Learning Outcomes Assessment

Program: MA in Philosophy

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Learning Objectives

Students graduating with an MA in Philosophy are expected to:

- 1. Acquire the conceptual ability, and the speaking and writing skills, needed for intensive examination of questions concerning what is true, what is good, and what is beautiful. They must demonstrate familiarity with core questions in ethics and political philosophy, metaphysics and epistemology, and logic, as well as the ability to sustain critical reflection on, and discussion of, these questions.
- 2. Be acquainted with the canonical works of both Antiquity and Modernity, as well as the basic issues and texts of contemporary philosophy.
- 3. Learn to defend their views with strong arguments, but also to remain open to disagreement and critique.
- 4. Develop a solid understanding of what it means to study philosophy at the graduate level.