Annual Report on Program Student Learning Outcomes Assessment

Program: BA in Philosophy

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1. List the learning outcomes for the program

Students graduating with a major in Philosophy are able to:

- 1. Demonstrate 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.
- 2. Demonstrate familiarity with core questions in the main branches of philosophical inquiry (ethics and political philosophy, metaphysics and epistemology, and logic), and sustain critical reflection on, and discussion of, these questions.
- 3. Demonstrate acquaintance with the canonical works of both Antiquity and Modernity, as well as the basic issues and texts of contemporary philosophy.
- 4. Defend their own views with strong arguments, but also remain open to disagreement and critique.
- 5. Display curiosity about, and interest and engagement in, the world in which they live.