Philosophy Minor

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Have you ever wanted to examine philosophical concepts, theories and methods? Employ powerful analytical and logical tools for assessing aesthetic, moral, epistemic and metaphysical issues? Studying philosophy allows you to develop your ability to reason, think critically about yourself and the world around you and participate in a millennial-old conversation with some of the greatest thinkers who have ever lived. You can focus on:

AESTHETICS: The study of beauty and related concepts like the sublime, tragic, ugly and humorous
EPISTEMOLOGY: The theories of knowledge; where it comes from, how it is formulated and expressed
ETHICS: The study the nature of morality, its origin and what makes an act moral/immoral
LOGIC: The methods and principles that distinguish correct from incorrect reasoning
METAPHYSICS: The analysis of existence, time, cause-effect, space, substance, identity
SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY: The study of the relationships that exist among people, society and the world

Philosophy professors at NKU not only specialize in a number of traditional areas, they work in emerging and cross-disciplinary fields as well. Among the things you can do as a philosophy student at NKU:
• Engage in community service and outreach
• Participate in the Ethics Bowl competition
• Film and Philosophy Series
• Present your own scholarly work both on campus and at professional meetings
• Study abroad
• Work with professors on philosophically inspired research

Course Requirements for Minor (21 credit hours; a minimum of 6 credit hours must be at the 300 level or above; a minimum grade of C- must be earned in all courses)

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