

## KEY FACTS

- › Start Programme: Sept. / Feb.
- › Duration: 12 months
- › Tuition fees EU / non-EU: €2,006 / €11,400

## COURSE EXAMPLES

- › Social Contract Theory
- › Advanced Metaethics
- › Locke's Essay in Context
- › Philosophy of Race and Gender
- › Scientific Representation

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

**Can chances exist in a mechanistic world? What are 'mental properties' and how can they cause bodily behavior? When exactly do differences in wealth, resources and power become unjust?**

Philosophy is the systematic investigation of very fundamental questions. You are trained to think and write in a clear manner about topics such as the relation between mind, body and cognition, the nature and basis of moral judgments, the limits of knowledge, and the principles of social justice.

By studying philosophy, you develop analytic rigor and the ability to reason in a logically sound way. It greatly improves your reading skills and it allows you to critically scrutinize vague concepts, tacit assumptions, loose argumentation, and widely shared preconceptions that we encounter in everyday life.

This one-year programme is intended for students who wish to develop an advanced competence in philosophy. The master offers a range of optional courses in which you can further improve your philosophical skills and knowledge. The programme is concluded with a thesis in which you pursue your own research question.

### Specializations:

- Theoretical Philosophy: logic; argumentation theory; (formal) epistemology; and philosophy of science, mind, and language
- Ethics, Social and Political Philosophy: normative ethics; meta-ethics; moral psychology; and contemporary political philosophy
- History of Philosophy: metaphysics; ancient, medieval and (early) modern philosophy

### Career prospects

- › publishing
- › local and national government bodies (politics)
- › consultancy
- › education (teaching)
- › research (PhD, post-doc)
- › media (journalism)

### More information

Website

[www.rug.nl/masters/philosophy/](http://www.rug.nl/masters/philosophy/)

Admissions

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## WHY CHOOSE US ?

- › Small-scale classes, intensive paper supervision
- › Informal and friendly atmosphere
- › Focus on connections between philosophy, its history and the sciences
- › High student satisfaction

## Application

You can apply online, please go to [www.rug.nl/howtoapply](http://www.rug.nl/howtoapply)

Application deadline for September:  
EU and non-EU : 1 May  
Application deadline for February:  
EU and non-EU : 1 November

## Admission

- › Bachelor's degree in Philosophy or a Bachelor's degree partly devoted to Philosophy
- › TOEFL: 92/120 or IELTS: 6.5
- › For details please check our [programme website](#)