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Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies (Philosophy Majors Only)

intro1 Before answering a few questions specific to your experiences in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, all students who graduated from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences are being asked just a few questions about their experiences in the College.

CHASS1 Below is a list of skills associated with your coursework in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. In the first column, rate how well your coursework enhanced your skills in each of the following areas. In the second column, rate how important these skills are to you now in your work and/or everyday life.

| | | HOW WEL | L COURSEWOR | K ENH | IANCED SK | (ILLS | IMPORTANCE TO YOU CURRENTLY | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| | Extremely well (5) | Very well (4) | Moderately well (3) | Slightly (2) | Not at all (1) | Rate Enhancement (.) | Very important (5) | Important (4) | Moderately important (3) | Of limited importance (2) | Not important (1) | Rate Importance (.) | | |
| Oral presentation skills (1) | 0 | • | o | О | О | O | o | o | O | 0 | o | o | | |
| Writing skills (2) | o | 0 | O | О | О | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | o | 0 | O | | |
| The ability to be creative and think 'outside the box' (3) | o | o | о | О | О | О | о | О | о | o | о | O | | |
| The ability to synthesize information/ideas from multiple sources (4) | o | o | О | О | О | Э | О | О | О | О | О | O | | |
| The ability to integrate knowledge in your major with knowledge from other disciplines outside your major (5) | 0 | О | О | О | О | 0 | О | О | О | о | О | О | | |

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CHASS6 Please briefly share your thoughts on how the College of Humanities and Social Sciences helped prepare you to be successful in your current endeavors.

CHASS7 Please briefly share your thoughts about what the College of Humanities and Social Sciences could do to better prepare its students.

outro1 Please click on the arrow to go to the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies questions.

intro2 The Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies has a few questions we would like you to answer based on your experiences in your specific major. Your opinions are very important in our department's programming and planning efforts. We appreciate your taking the time to answer these additional questions.

PHI1 As you think back on your overall educational experience in Philosophy, how satisfied were you with the education you gained in this program?

- Very satisfied (5)
- Moderately satisfied (4)
- **O** Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (3)
- Moderately dissatisfied (2)
- **O** Very dissatisfied (1)

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PHI2 Below is a list of knowledge and skills associated with your profession. In the first column, rate how important each area is in your current professional position. In the second column, rate how well you were prepared in your area of study at NC State.

| | IMPORTANCE TO YOU CURRENTLY | | | | | | | | LEVEL OF PREPARATION | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| | Very important (5) | Important (4) | Moderately important (3) | Of limited importance (2) | Not important (1) | Not applicable (0) | Rate Importance (.) | Excellent preparation (5) | Good preparation (4) | Average preparation (3) | Fair preparation (2) | Poor preparation (1) | Not applicable (0) | Rate Preparation (.) | | |
| Presenting, explaining and evaluating arguments, suggesting ways to remedy any problems with arguments (1) | Э | Э | О | Э | Э | Э | Э | О | О | О | О | О | Э | Э | | |
| Constructing and presenting an argument in a way that allows the audience to analyze and critique the argument (2) | Э | Э | О | Э | Э | Э | О | О | О | О | O | О | Э | О | | |
| Understanding some central concepts from contemporary philosophical thought (3) | Э | о | Э | Э | Э | Э | Э | о | О | о | О | о | о | о | | |
| Understanding some central concepts from significant periods of the history of philosophy (4) | О | О | O | O | о | о | о | О | 0 | O | O | O | о | O | | |

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| Using philosophy to address problems in situations where the premises are unclear or implicit (5) | О | o | O | O | O | O | O | O | O | O | O | O | O | 0 |
| Presenting arguments both in writing and in conversation (6) | О | o | О | O | Э | о | Э | О | О | о | о | о | O | 0 |
| Analyzing an issue, defining key terms, and drawing clear and reasonable conclusions (7) | О | O | O | O | Э | Э | О | О | О | О | О | О | О | 0 |
| Studying subject matter you found interesting (8) | O | o | o | o | о | о | O | o | о | о | о | О | O | o |

PHI10 Did you receive a BS or a BA in Philosophy?

O BS (1)

O BA (2)

O Don't know (3)

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Answer If Did you receive a BS or a BA in Philosophy? BS Is Selected

PHI11 Was the Philosophy material helpful in the Science/Technology courses?

- Very helpful (5)
- Somewhat helpful (4)
- Neutral (3)
- **O** Not very helpful (2)
- Not at all helpful (1)

Answer If Did you receive a BS or a BA in Philosophy? BS Is Selected

PHI12 Was the Science/Technology material helpful in the Philosophy courses?

- Very helpful (5)
- O Somewhat helpful (4)
- Neutral (3)
- **O** Not very helpful (2)
- **O** Not at all helpful (1)

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PHI13 If you were beginning over, would you choose the same major again?

O Yes (1)

O Maybe (2)

O No (3)

O Do not know (4)

PHI14 Why did you choose to major in Philosophy?

PHI15 Of the courses that you took in Philosophy, which three were most influential or most important? Please explain.

PHI16 What other classes at NC State did you find to be most valuable for your education? Why?

PHI17 Which classes at NC State did you find to be least valuable? Why?

PHI18 What do you think are the greatest strengths of the major?

PHI19 Please suggest one or two things about the Philosophy program that you would want to see changed.

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Answer If insert2 Is Equal to NONE

outro2 Thank you for completing the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies Survey! You must click on the 'submit' button in order for your responses to be saved. You will not be able to return to this survey once you submit your responses.

Answer If insert2 Is Not Equal to NONE

outro3 Thank you for completing the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies Survey! You must click on the 'submit' button in order for your responses to be saved. You will then be taken to a brief survey specifically for alumni who graduated from the \${e://Field/prog2}.