

# Philosophy



St Anne's College  
University of Oxford



## What you'll study

Students without any background in philosophy can choose to follow one or more of the introductory papers taught to first-year students: Introductory Logic, General Philosophy and Moral Philosophy. Students with some previous experience of philosophy can choose papers from a range of some thirty options depending on their interests and background. Certain option papers offer the opportunity to study the work of some of the world's great thinkers, for example, Plato, Aristotle, Kant, or Wittgenstein. Others papers focus on particular areas of philosophy such as Ethics, Aesthetics, Philosophy of Mind or Metaphysics and Epistemology.

## Why study Philosophy at St Anne's?

Studying philosophy is a way of acquiring a mental toolkit. It will help you argue and express yourself more clearly, engage and

assess other people's arguments more rigorously, and learn to think in new and more imaginative ways. Philosophy also affords an opportunity to read and engage with some of the greatest thinkers in recorded history. Finally, and perhaps most importantly, philosophy allows you the chance to think hard and slowly about issues that really matter to you.

St Anne's is a wonderful place to study philosophy. It has two permanent members of academic staff in Philosophy, Professors Roger Crisp and Ian Phillips, who between them have expertise across a very wide range of subjects from Moral and Ancient Philosophy to Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science. You'll find yourself part of a very friendly group of talented but down-to-earth students. You'll also have access to one of the best philosophy collections of any College library in Oxford!

## How you'll be taught

- **Lectures** Typically 2 per week.
- **Tutorials** Typically 12-16 per term.
- **Classes** Used for teaching courses in logic.

## You can take this course for

The Full Academic Year	Yes
Hilary and Trinity terms only (January – June)	Yes
Michaelmas term only (October – December)	Yes

## You could combine this subject with

Many other subjects. Philosophy is well-suited to being studied in combination with another subject. Philosophy can easily be combined with: Politics, Economics, Computer Science, Maths, Psychology, Linguistics, English Literature, Modern Languages, or Classics.

## Famous St Anne's alumnae who studied Philosophy at St Anne's include:

**Danny Alexander** – MP for Inverness, Nairn, Badenoch & Strathspey (2005 – 2015) and Chief Secretary to the Treasury (2010 – 2015)

For further information on this subject, please see our website:

[www.st-annes.ox.ac.uk/prospective/visiting-students](http://www.st-annes.ox.ac.uk/prospective/visiting-students).



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