Description: While special knowledge of specific subject matter is necessary for certain occupational settings, not all employment settings require specialization. Many employers prefer liberal arts graduates who possess broad liberal arts skills, such as problem-solving, critical thinking, management and administration, and communication. These functional transferable skills combined with specific content knowledge are most useable and marketable in a broad span of occupational settings. Philosophy especially teaches students critical thinking and problem solving skills which are essential to any position. Many people chose to major in philosophy as a springboard for careers in law, government, or business. It is highly recommended that students gain relevant experience through internships, volunteering, or leadership to learn skills needed for specific areas of interest.

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Department of Literature and Philosophy
Department Website: http://class.georgiasouthern.edu/litphi/

Degree(s) Offered: Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

Job Titles:
- Administrative Official/Government Service
- Anthropological Linguist
- Archivist
- Biographer
- Book Critic
- Cataloger
- Foreign Service Officer
- Genealogist
- Immigration inspector
- International relations specialist
- Intelligence specialist
- Lawyer*
- Clergy member
- College/University official
- Collaborator
- Cryptanalyst
- Columnist/Commentator
- Department Head/College*
- Director of Institutional Research*
- Editor of a Publication
- Essayist
- Foreign Correspondent
- Physician*
- Psychiatrist*
- Psychologist*
- Public Relations Representative
- Social Worker*
- Training Instructor
- Writer/Poet
- Bioethics/Business Ethics
- Mediator
- Philosophical Counselors
- Social Worker/Counselor*
- Technical Writer/Author
- Marketing Research Analyst
- Clergy
**Requires additional education**

**For more detailed information regarding typical duties, salary, training, etc please look at the Occupational Outlook Handbook online at [http://www.bls.gov/OCO/](http://www.bls.gov/OCO/) or review the Chronicle Career Library CD-Rom available on-line or in the Career Resource Center.**

### Possible Employment Settings:
- Archives/federal, municipal
- Bookstores
- Business corporations
- Churches & religious organizations
- Foundations, non-profit
- Industries/manufacturing
- Learned periodicals
- Libraries
- Magazines & newspapers
- Public relations firms
- Research Institutions
- Social services agencies
- Travel agencies
- Government agencies
- Civil rights commission
- Consumer affairs office
- Education Department
- Foreign Service
- Library of Congress
- National Archives
- Museums
- Public interest research groups
- Colleges and Universities
- Adult education programs
- Insurance companies
- Political organizations
- Consulting services
- Publishing agencies
- Travel agencies
- Professional/Trade associations
- Advertising agencies/Departments

### Internet Resources:
- Guide to Philosophy on the Internet [http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/phillinks.htm](http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/phillinks.htm)
- Action Without Borders [http://www.idealista.org](http://www.idealista.org)
- WWW Virtual Library [http://www.bristol.ac.uk/philosophy/](http://www.bristol.ac.uk/philosophy/)

### Professional Organizations:
- American Assoc. of Philosophy Teachers [http://www.aaup.org/aaup](http://www.aaup.org/aaup)

### GSU Student Organizations
- Philosophical Society
- Phi Sigma Tau
- ReVISION

### Resources for salary information:
- FOCUS 2 Career: [tiny.cc/gsufocus](http://tiny.cc/gsufocus)