

Master of Arts in Humanities PHILOSOPHY

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The 2-year Master's Programme in philosophy familiarises students with one or more sub-areas of philosophy: History of Philosophy, Practical Philosophy, Philosophy of Science, Theoretical Philosophy. It offers an excellent opportunity to students who are interested in pursuing a PhD in philosophy, but it also prepares students for many other kinds of intellectual enterprises.

We welcome students with a background in philosophy as well as students from other disciplines who have an interest in the philosophical issues raised by those disciplines. For example, a student of linguistics could enroll and study philosophy of language, mathematicians can study the philosophy of mathematics or logic, biologists and medical students can work on medical ethics and bioethics, chemists and physicists have important topics to address within philosophy of science.

LOCATION: Tartu, Estonia

DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME: 2 years

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION: English

GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

 Bachelor's degree or equivalent in social scienes, natural sciences or humanities

APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 16

Applicants who graduate or have their diploma issued after the application deadline (in July, for example) must send an application form and the most recent official grade list by the required deadline.

TUITION FEE & SCHOLARSHIPS

No tuition fee

Most admitted students will receive a tuition-waiver scholarship



DR. INDREK REILANDVisiting Assistant Professor at Rice University

Doing my Master's studies in Tartu prepared me very well for both getting into a PhD program and succeeding in it. Here you'll learn from early on not only the WHAT, but also the HOW of philosophy, and will feel like a part of a team of researchers and not just a student. And the faculty is incredibly supportive in every possible way. I couldn't recommend it more!

(Indrek did his Master's programme in Tartu and PhD at University of Southern California)

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WHY STUDY PHILOSOPHY IN TARTU?

- **No tuition fee.** Most successful candidates will receive tuition-waiving scholarships. They will also be considered for a monthly stipend.
- **Individual approach.** Advisors help students design their own study plan that matches with the student's needs;
- International staff. Courses are taught by international and Estonian faculty.
 In addition, leading philosophers from all over the world regularly teach compact seminars and master classes.
- International conferences and workshops.
- **Real "hands-on" research experience.** Every Master's student will be working in a team of senior and junior researchers.



PROF. DANIEL COHNITZHead of the Department of Philosophy

During the past fifty years, philosophy has seen an increase in the specialization of its sub-disciplines as well as an increase in international and interdisciplinary collaboration. At an early stage of their careers, young researchers are expected to be familiar with state of the art work in their field and to be fit for teamwork. At Tartu, we endorse the positive aspects of that development and have integrated them into our curriculum. Your involvement in a team of junior and senior researchers as you work on your Master's project, and your interaction with leading philosophers from around the world who visit our workshops, or teach compact seminars in our department, will serve as a great preparation for your philosophical career.



LAURA KALDAPublic Policy Specialist

I really loved the freedom – the possibility to create my own curriculum with the help of my supervisor. I was also very happy with my supervisor, and enjoyed the seminars held in small groups, especially the reading groups. Working in small groups is clearly an advantage in studying philosophy; one feels the individual approach on every step. The teachers were helpful and encouraged the students to make an effort. My skills of analytic reading and writing have improved immensely.

(Laura finished the Master's programme at University of Tartu in 2011)

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