# PHILOSOPHY Pre-Jan

**COLLEGE OF ARTS + SCIENCES** 



WHEN WE ASK philosophical questions, we're talking about the construction of a culture's mores, thoughts, and morality. In other words, we're talking about the building blocks of law. Our society's philosophical and moral understandings of good and evil, right and wrong, and morality and immorality lay the foundation for the way we construct what is legal and illegal. Philosophy is a great foundation for law because you'll study the orations of philosophers and learn the building blocks of logic. You're the kind of person who sees that understanding the big picture requires a reasoned pursuit of fundamental truths, and you're still searching for answers. At Loyno, we can't promise that you'll leave with those answers, but we can promise you'll learn the right questions to ask.

## Possible Careers:

- Lawyer
- Logician
- Professor
- Writer

ATTENDING LOYOLA means being in the heart of New Orleans. Our campus is located in the city's historic Uptown neighborhood, just a short drive from the Central Business District, the city's hub of innovation, creativity, and strategic thinking. You'll learn to hone your talents in the city named #1 new brainpower city in America and #1 best city in the U.S. for creative professionals.



### COURSES

Our program offers challenging courses and a flexible structure. In the systematic sequence, you'll take courses on law, morality, political theory, social topics, and theoretical philosophy. In the historical sequence, you'll learn ancient, medieval, and modern philosophy. Here's a sample of what you can expect to learn and do:

#### Philosophy of Law

This is an inquiry into the nature of law; the relevance of law to morality; the concepts of responsibility in the law; punishment; and the relevance to law justice, equality, and liberty. We also explore the philosophical assumptions that underlie criminal law and private law.

#### Social and Political Philosophy

What is the origin, nature, and necessity of political order? In this course we try to answer this question while examining the relation of the individual to the social and political whole; the origin, nature, and just use of political authority; the nature of rights and duty; the problem of freedom; and the philosophical prerequisites of a just social order are addressed.

#### **Law and Morality**

This course presents and analyzes frameworks for conducting ethical reasoning in the context of the law. This course asks: How should we conceive of the relationship between moral principles and legal norms? Does the law command our allegiance and respect from a moral point of view? How should moral principles inform legislation?