The Hamilton College Summer Program in Philosophy
Three Courses

“The program is an example of how philosophy is meant to be done: collaboratively and creatively, in a way that engenders intellectual excitement and a sense of community.”
“HCSPiP was awesome. So many parts of the program – from the experimental classes, to the hike, to special activities like the improv performance by Second City – had a special way of reminding me why I liked philosophy and showing me what studying philosophy could be.”
Students Take All Three Classes

“Academic rigor and excellence are combined with vulnerable and personal philosophical discussion and inquiry. HCSPiP has profoundly influenced my personal engagement with philosophy.”
Each Class Meets Daily Monday Through Friday

“This program was the purest experience in philosophy of my life. Even with five hours of class and many additional activities each day, I was always excited and never burned out.”
20 Students: ~Half Outside Hamilton

“I loved the natural way I formed relationships with other students, the graduate students, and professors.”

“The students and professors that I met here were some of the most philosophically-engaging and genuine people that I have ever met.”
Open to Students of All Majors

“I would strongly recommend this program to everyone who likes thinking, thinking about thinking, or learning about themselves.”
Rising Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors are all Welcome

“People here are so supportive and humble. Everyone here tries their best to create a safe place for each other to share their ideas in class.”
$750 Stipend + Travel Money For All Student Participants

“This program is an amazing opportunity to be surrounded by a supportive and brilliant community of people with a shared love of learning and passion for philosophy.”
Room and Board Are Included

“Eating, sleeping, and living with philosophers for two weeks really makes you reflect on your own beliefs—in a very positive way.”
External Speakers and Performers
“One of the most enriching experiences that I have ever had! In the space of two weeks I can easily tell how much I've grown both philosophically and academically.”
Second City
Chicago Improv Troupe, 2022
Adirondack Day Trip
Conversations on Philosophy after College

“I gained so much insight about grad school, academia, and thinking in general.”
July 4 Celebration
New Philosophy, New Friends

“The quality of the students was top-notch; they were engaged, friendly, enthusiastic, and all-around wonderful.”
“Great welcoming atmosphere and lots of people I identified with that don't fit into the ‘normal’ serious philosophy student mold. This enabled a lot of illuminating and open discussion.”

“It was refreshing and invigorating to hang out with other serious philosophy students, and I formed really strong, lasting relationships in such short time.”
“This program changed the way I think.”
2023 Courses and Instructors

- Language, Games and Logic
  - Prof. James Garrison
  - Baldwin Wallace University

- The Value of Beauty
  - Prof. Alexandra Grundler
  - Auburn University

- The State of Nature (Ultimate Survival Mode)
  - Prof. Rebeccah Leiby
  - University of Baltimore
Interested in Five or Ten Weeks of Summer Research? We Can Help!
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“After this class, I feel more open to different ways of thinking about not only philosophy, but the world and my life as a whole.”
Any Questions?
We Hope That You Can Join Us!