

## Hamilton College Summer Program in Philosophy Student Application

Do you love studying philosophy? Are you a college student thirsty for more? Would you like to spend two weeks this summer with creative and engaging philosophy teachers and other enthusiastic students? The Hamilton College Summer Program in Philosophy (HCSPiP) may be for you!

The Hamilton College Summer Program in Philosophy is designed for twenty excellent undergraduate students seeking an exciting, intense, and collegial two-week experience studying philosophy with other ambitious students. Three concurrent courses, chosen for their new and exciting pedagogies, will be offered, June 25–July 6, 2018.

- Juli Thorson, Professor of Philosophy at Ball State University, Indiana, will teach “Drawing Your Self.”
- Shoshana Brassfield, Associate Professor of Philosophy at Frostburg State University, Maryland, will teach “Democracy in Athens.”
- Charles Rathkopf, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Iona College, New York, will teach “Mapping Moral Reasoning.”

In addition to attending all three classes every day, Monday through Friday, students in the program are expected to prepare for those classes, both before the summer school and during the two weeks they are on campus. To participate actively and take advantage of the opportunity, students must have exceptional intrinsic motivation for philosophical work. No college credit is awarded.

In addition to the three courses, the HCSPiP is arranging for at least one visiting speaker, a day trip to the Adirondacks, and a July 4 celebration. There is no tuition for the summer school. Room and board at Hamilton College will be provided. In addition, students who attend the summer school will receive a \$750 stipend, plus up to \$500 reimbursement for travel. All funds are paid by the Truax Fund for Philosophy at Hamilton College.

To apply for the HCSPiP, send a letter of interest in the program, no more than 2000 words to Professor Russell Marcus, Director, [rmarcus1@hamilton.edu](mailto:rmarcus1@hamilton.edu) by February 28, 2018. Your letter of interest should contain the following information:

- Your name and the name of your undergraduate institution
- A list of all undergraduate philosophy courses taken
- Why do you study philosophy and what role do you see for philosophy in your post-college life?
- Why are you interested in the HCSPiP?
- How might you contribute to the diversity of our program?

In addition to your letter of application, please also send, by the same date to the same address:

One letter of recommendation from a philosophy teacher with whom you have worked  
An undergraduate transcript (unofficial is fine)

Participants in the program will be selected according to the following criteria: Being a rising junior or senior in an undergraduate college; Demonstrated ability to participate actively in the program; Expressed interest in the specific classes we offer; Strength of undergraduate record; and Ability to diversify our student population. Please note that, in accordance with the guidelines of the Truax fund, half of the student slots (10/20) are reserved for Hamilton College students.

For more information, contact Professor Russell Marcus, Director at [rmarcus1@hamilton.edu](mailto:rmarcus1@hamilton.edu). Or see our website at [academics.hamilton.edu/philosophysummerschool](http://academics.hamilton.edu/philosophysummerschool)