“My study in philosophy has made me ask more fundamental questions. Thus the character of my curiosity has changed. I no longer wish only to understand what someone is saying, but also why he says it and what it has to do with other claims of his. Whether a philosopher, politician, author or journalist, I’ve come to be interested not in the surface meaning of a man’s claims but in his more fundamental, often unexamined premises.”

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“The philosophy department has encouraged me to pursue philosophy not only as an academic course, but to incorporate philosophy into my personal life, to try and live by the philosophical standards I read about, and also to continue reading philosophy as a pastime outside the classroom.”

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“By studying philosophy my intellectual curiosity has been refined and focused. I have been introduced to the ‘big questions’ and the great conversation which have completely changed the course of my life and especially my intellectual pursuits.”

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Philosophical studies form an excellent preamble to careers in law, theology, business and politics, as well as the scholarly fields which depend upon extraordinary critical reflection and ability.

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A major in Philosophy provides students with enormous flexibility on the job market. Philosophy majors at Belmont have gone on to be successful in government, religion, law, education, entertainment, journalism, medicine and even the military. The flexibility is due to the focus of the philosophy major on developing excellent skills of engaged reading, effective writing, critical thinking, and meaningful conversation.

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