

Marquette University
Department of Philosophy
M.A. Program Assessment

Program Learning Outcomes	Performance Indicators	Measures	Use of the Information
1. Provide accurate analysis of principal teachings by major figures in the history of philosophy.	1. Provides an accurate account of the positions to major philosophical questions offered by major figures in the history of philosophy. 2. Provides an accurate account of main arguments presented by major figures in the history of philosophy. 3. Provides an accurate account of the defense presented by major figures in the history of philosophy to challenges against their positions and arguments.	Answers presented on the relevant parts of the M.A. Comprehensive Exam proctored semi-annually. Performance will be measured in accord with a three level rubric that correlates with the grade given to the relevant parts: 1='exceeds expectations,' 2='Meets Expectations,' 3='Fails to Meet Expectations.	The data will be collected by the graders of the MA Comprehensive Exams. The data will be compiled by the Director of Graduate Studies. The data will be reviewed annually by the Graduate Committee and shared with instructors for appropriate action.
2. Develop a position on major systematic problems including those in the areas of metaphysics, epistemology, and the philosophy of the human person.	1) Provides a clear account of a view on major systematic problems, including those in the areas of metaphysics, epistemology, and the philosophy of the human person.	Answers presented on the relevant parts of the M.A. Comprehensive Exam proctored semi-annually. Performance will be measured in accord with a three level rubric that correlates with the grade given to the relevant parts: 1='exceeds expectations,' 2='Meets Expectations,' 3='Fails to Meet Expectations.	The data will be collected by the graders of the MA Comprehensive Exams. The data will be compiled by the Director of Graduate Studies. The data will be reviewed annually by the Graduate Committee and shared with instructors for appropriate action.
3. Defend a sustained personal philosophical position on a philosophical problem.	2) Provides a strong argument on behalf of a philosophical position on a philosophical problem.	Answers presented on the relevant parts of the M.A. Comprehensive Exam proctored semi-annually. Performance will be measured in accord with a three level rubric that correlates with the grade given to the relevant parts: 1='exceeds expectations,' 2='Meets Expectations,3='Fails to Meet Expectations.	The data will be collected by the graders of the MA Comprehensive Exams. The data will be compiled by the Director of Graduate Studies. The data will be reviewed annually by the Graduate Committee and shared with instructors for appropriate action.

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