

ANNOUNCEMENT

New Program: MASTERS DEGREE IN LEGAL PHILOSOPHY

The Rutgers University (New Brunswick) Philosophy Department, in conjunction with the Rutgers Camden and Newark Law Schools, is now accepting applicants for a new coordinated degree program: a Master's in Legal Philosophy.

Applicants must have completed at least one year of law school and must either be enrolled in law school or have already been awarded their J.D. An application should include (1) a letter by the student indicating why (s)he is interested in the M.A.; (2) a transcript from the law school the applicant is attending or has attended; (3) one letter of reference, ideally from someone on the law faculty. Students need not take the GREs; an LSAT will suffice.

To be awarded the M.A. a student must successfully complete 30 credits and write a thesis. Up to 8 of the 30 credits can be transferred from the applicant's law school. The law courses that would be accepted towards the M.A. must be approved by the Program Director in the Department of Philosophy. Over a two-semester period of study in New Brunswick, persons admitted would consult with the Program Director on a program of study that consists of at least 5 philosophy courses (for a total of 15 or 16 credits) and a Master's Thesis jointly supervised by the Program Director and an appropriate faculty member at one of the Rutgers law schools. It is realistic to expect that diligent students would be able to complete the degree program in one year (and perhaps a summer to finish the thesis).

The Rutgers Philosophy Department is regularly ranked among the very best in the country and includes many internationally known specialists in several central areas of philosophy. The Department and its faculty can be accessed at Douglas Husak, the Program Director, is the editor-in-chief of two leading journals in philosophy of law: Law & Philosophy and Criminal Law & Philosophy. The faculty at both the Camden and Newark Law Schools include several of the nation's leading scholars in the field of law and philosophy. They serve on the editorial boards of a number of the most prominent journals in the field.

Inquiries and applications should be sent to the Program Director: Douglas Husak,
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