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Departmental Facilities
The Department of Philosophy has, in John Watson Hall, a seminar room and a lounge in which faculty and students can get together for informal discussion over coffee. Philosophy holdings in the Stauffer Library are excellent with respect to both books and periodicals.

A student-faculty ratio of approximately 2 to 1 provides not only for small formal seminars but encourages informal contact between students and faculty. The Department also maintains a weekly Colloquium in which graduate students, faculty, and visiting scholars present papers for discussion.

Financial Assistance
The Department provides remuneration to selected students in the form of Queen's Graduate Awards and teaching assistantships.

Concentration and Research
The Department offers concentrations in most major areas of philosophy. More details on this and other matters may be found in the Handbook for Graduate Students in Philosophy, issued annually by the Department.

Admission requirements, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)
Applicants for the Ph.D. degree are accepted under the general regulations of the School of Graduate Studies provided that they also meet departmental admission requirements. Normally, an applicant with less than a first-class standing in a Master's program in philosophy (80 percent average) is not accepted for admission.

Admission requirements, Master of Arts (M.A.)
Applicants for the degree of Master of Arts are accepted under the general regulations of the School of Graduate Studies provided that they also satisfy the admission standards of the Department. Those whose average grade in philosophy is lower than A-minus (80 percent) have little chance of admission.

For those entering the program with an Honours B.A. in Philosophy (or equivalent) the Master's program normally requires one calendar year (three terms) of full-time study. A student whose preparation in philosophy is inadequate for acceptance into the regular one-year program may be accepted as a preparatory student if any previous work in philosophy is deemed sufficiently good.

Note: No student admitted to a Master of Arts program in philosophy should assume any commitment on the part of the Department of Philosophy to acceptance into its doctoral program.

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