

VIRGINIA TECH COMPASS WORKSHOP

A workshop to bring together students from a diversity of backgrounds for a weekend of philosophical discussion, networking and mentoring.



March 30th, 2019

What is MAP?

Minorities and Philosophy (MAP) is a collection of students in philosophy departments that aims to examine and address issues of minority participation in academic philosophy. Currently, MAP has 121 chapters throughout the world. The Virginia Tech MAP chapter was started in the fall of 2017 and is currently thriving. We have semesterly reading groups, regularly bring in external speakers, and continue to try to find ways to diversify the field of philosophy.

Who should apply?

We encourage applications from undergraduates of all levels. We especially encourage members of underrepresented groups to apply. Participants will be responsible for transportation and housing; breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be provided. Partial funding opportunities and free housing may be available.



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Please contact Rachel at vatechmap@gmail.com with any questions.

What is COMPASS?

"Compass" is a pun on MAP: the workshop is intended to help undergraduates "find their way" in the discipline.

The Virginia Tech COMPASS workshop is one day in which participants will discuss articles, learn how to find scholarships, learn about conferences and academic journals, and explore how you can continue doing philosophy after your undergraduate years.

How to apply:

Send applications to vatechmap@gmail.com by

February 15th. Participants will be notified of

decisions by March 1st. In your application, please

provide the following:

- (1) Cover sheet including name, email, school, program level, graduation date, whether you've attended other diversity institutes, and areas of interest
- (2) Academic statement: Describe your background in Philosophy. What areas of Philosophy interest you the most and why? What are your future plans in studying Philosophy? (Maximum length: 2 page double spaced)
- (3) Personal statement: Describe your experience as a member of an underrepresented group in Philosophy and/or your sustained commitment to diversity in Philosophy, and how you think you will benefit from COMPASS. (Maximum length: 2 pages double spaced)
- (4) *Would you need financial aid in order to attend?* (optional - please note that we cannot guarantee funding)