Francesca Bordogna
Ph.D. History and Philosophy of Science
Suggested topic: I would be glad to work with students on any of the above topics, as well as on anything related to the natural sciences and to the history of philosophy.

Kent Emery, Jr.
Ph.D. English literature and medieval studies
General interests: Ancient, medieval and Renaissance philosophy and theology; early-modern (16th-17th centuries) intellectual history.
Special interests: Medieval philosophy and theology (Scholastic and mystical); textual transmission, historiography.
Suggested topics: I will consider topics concerning medieval or early-modern philosophy or theology, Dante, the history of the liberal arts from antiquity to early modernity, and topics arising from my tutorial in Intellectual and Cultural History. Typically, teachers direct students in their Essays one-on-one; if two or three students would be interested in studying a closely similar topic together in a Work-shop, that might be possible.

Stephen Fallon
Ph.D. English language and literature
General interests: English literature, particularly medieval, Renaissance, Romantic, Victorian, and early twentieth century
Special interests: Milton and seventeenth-century English literature; Shakespeare and sixteenth-century English literature; literature and the history of philosophy; literary-rhetorical analysis of philosophical texts; early modern intellectual history.
Suggested topics: I am particularly interested in essays on Milton or Shakespeare; essays exploring the rhetoric of such early modern philosophical authors as Machiavelli, Descartes, and Hobbes; essays on the philosophical and/or theological contexts of literary texts.

Bernd Goehring
Ph.D. Medieval Studies (Medieval Philosophy)
General interests: Ancient and Medieval philosophy; Renaissance humanism (especially in Italy); theory of knowledge; philosophy of mind
Special interests: Medieval Philosophy, especially theories of cognition (including accounts of intellect and will; faith and understanding; knowledge and happiness; mind and representation). Reception and transformation of Classical thought in the Middle Ages and Renaissance.
Authors: Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, Boethius, Anselm, Abelard, Bonaventure, Aquinas, Henry of Ghent, Scotus, Ockham; Dante, Petrarch, Alberti, Ficino, Pico
Suggested topics: I welcome essay topics related to my interests. I'd be happy to talk with you about possible topics. Email: bernd.goehring@nd.edu
Robert Goulding
Ph.D. History
Special interests: Medieval and Renaissance Science. Renaissance philosophy and the humanistic movement.
Suggested topics: I am interested in advising essays on any of the topics listed above. Two broad topics that I would be interested in advising this year: (1) The Skeptical Tradition. We will begin by reading together some of the classic texts of ancient skepticism, particularly works by Cicero and Sextus Empiricus, and explore skepticism as a means to the "good life." Students might write on any aspect of ancient or modern skepticism (for instance, Montaigne). (2) Francis Bacon. In seminar and tutorial, most students have read the New Organon and the New Atlantis. Bacon wrote a vast number of other works, covering natural science, politics, ethics, literature and religion, and much else, and a thesis on Bacon would most likely focus on some of these now less read works.

Julia Marvin
Ph.D. English literature
General interests: English and French literature, especially medieval.
Special interests: Chaucer, the Gawain-poet, Dante, medieval vernacular historical writing and poetry. Arthurian literature in historical context; moral inquiry and judgment in poetry; the representation of reading and literary interpretation; literary aspects of works not usually classified as literature, including but not limited to historical writing.
Suggested topics: I am open to essays related to the interests above. I will particularly welcome essays on Chaucer, the Gawain-poet, Dante, or historical writing. Please contact me at Marvin.6@nd.edu before submitting my name as a potential advisor.

G. Felicitas Munzel
Ph.D. Philosophy
General interests: History of philosophy, moral philosophy, philosophy as paideia, eighteenth-century studies (including literary texts of the period).
Special interests: Immanuel Kant, including issues within his philosophy and their relation to (1) ancient conceptions of wisdom, (2) pedagogical issues (education for freedom), (3) the writings of his contemporaries, in particular Rousseau, and (4) contemporary thinkers explicitly influenced by Kant (e.g. Hannah Arendt).
Suggested topics: Although I am open to a variety of philosophical topics, I am particularly interested in essays dealing with moral, ethical, or pedagogical issues.

Jennifer Newsome Martin
Ph.D., Systematic Theology
General interests: 19th-20th century Roman Catholic systematic theology, especially questions of Christology and Trinitarian theology, Eastern Orthodoxy, Religion and Literature, the intersection(s) of religion and philosophy, particularly German Idealism and Romanticism
Special interests: Hans Urs von Balthasar, art and theological aesthetics, French phenomenology after the so-called ‘theological turn,’ iconography, Karl Rahner, eschatological and apocalyptic discourses, ‘mystics’ and the history of mysticism, apophatic theology, theologies of culture, modern Russian religious philosophy
Suggested topics: I would welcome theses on any of these or related interests. Please contact me with your proposed topic at jmarti16@nd.edu before submitting my name as a potential advisor.
F. Clark Power
Ed.D Developmental Psychology with a concentration in Moral Development and Education.

General interests: Education, psychology, sociology.
Special interests: Social psychology; moral, religious, ego development; civic engagement; Psychology and Sociology of Sports

Suggested topics: Cheating in sports, ethical and empirical analysis of effects academic prerequisites for athletic participation on at-risk students, political participation as a moral obligation in a democratic society

Gretchen Reydams-Schils
Ph.D. Classics

General interests: Classics and ancient philosophy, metaphysics, ethics/political theory, and gender studies.
Special interests: Plato and Aristotle, Hellenistic philosophy and the later tradition; 20th c. phenomenology and Levinas; the relation between ethical standards and human rights; the conditions for women's participation in the life of the mind.

Denis Robichaud
MA German and Romance Lang. and Lit., Ph.D. History

General Interests: history of philosophy (Ancient, Late Ancient, Medieval, Early Modern, but especially Renaissance); Latin and Greek humanism; intellectual history; Renaissance and Classical literature; textual cultures; philology; rhetoric; the liberal arts; Early Modern witchcraft and demonology; historical method and theory; the fortune of classical texts.
Special Interests: Marsilio Ficino and other humanists (ex. Erasmus, Poliziano, Rabelais, Montaigne); the history of Platonism and Neoplatonism; Renaissance philosophy; philosophical and philological commentaries; the classical tradition.

Suggested Topics:
Topics Pertaining to the History of Philosophy
1. Ancient philosophy or its reception; including later thinkers (ex. Nietzsche, Schopenhauer, Gadamer)
2. Pre-modern philosophy in general
3. Plato and Neoplatonism in particular
4. Philosophy as Commentary

Topics Pertaining to the Renaissance
1. Humanism and the liberal arts: a study of either humanist texts or humanism as cultural and pedagogical movements.
2. Philosophy and the classics: a study of either Renaissance works or the fortune of ancient works.
3. History and intellectual history: I am particularly interested in the history of textual cultures (reading, the book, etc.) and the religious and philosophical aspects of witchcraft and demonology, but I would gladly discuss other topics on Renaissance history (politics, memory etc.), and the historical method.
4. Rhetoric and literature: a study of either Renaissance works or the fortune of ancient works.

Joseph Rosenberg
Ph.D. English Literature

General interests: 20th-Century Literature; 19th-Century Literature; History of the Novel; Modern and Contemporary Poetry
Special interests: Modernism and the Avant-Garde; Literature and the Visual Arts (including cinema); History of Print and Media; Literary Theory

Suggested topics: I would be happy to work with students on any of the above topics, as well as literature from earlier periods.

Thomas Stapleford
Ph.D. History of Science

Special interests: Economic theory and economic policy, American political and intellectual history, history of the mind sciences (psychology, psychiatry, neuroscience, etc.), science & religion.

Suggested topic: I would be glad to work with students on any of the above topics, as well as anything related to the natural sciences, social sciences, or social theory.
Henry Weinfield
Ph.D. English literature

General interests: English literature, particularly English poetry from the Renaissance to the twentieth century; the European poetic tradition; literary criticism and theory.

Special interests: Pre-Romantic to Romantic English poetry (Gray, Blake, Wordsworth, Shelley, Keats, Tennyson); nineteenth to twentieth-century French poetry (especially Mallarmé); modern and contemporary British and American poetry (Yeats, Stevens, Eliot, Bronk, Oppen); the intersection of literature and philosophy.

Suggested topics: I am open to a wide spectrum of literary and philosophical topics. My specialty is lyric poetry, but I would also be interested in topics on Homer, Hesiod, Virgil, Dante, Milton, and Wordsworth (among the epic poets) or on Sophocles and Shakespeare (among the dramatists). I have a special interest in such "poetic" philosophers as Plato, Pascal, Nietzsche, and Heidegger. With regard to the novel, I am particularly interested in nineteenth and twentieth-century European writers (Stendhal, Flaubert, Tolstoy, Dostoevsky, Mann, Proust, Woolf.)