

# **College of Stoic Philosophers**

Founded 2008

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The College is operated by The Foundation for Stoic Philosophy, a 501(c)(3) tax exempt and nonprofit educational institution.



#### **Our Mission**

With a commitment to traditional Stoicism, we endeavor to educate all who would be Stoics and Stoic philosophers, who aspire to the Good Life, and who wish to excel in their roles as family member, worker, creator, mentor, teacher, advisor, and leader, within the world community. We are the Stoa.



### **Our Vision**

Our vision is that the School we are building today shall endure for the ages.

The Stoa of antiquity endured for centuries, and it was created by humans like us. We learn from them, and we practice as they did.

We are the Stoa.



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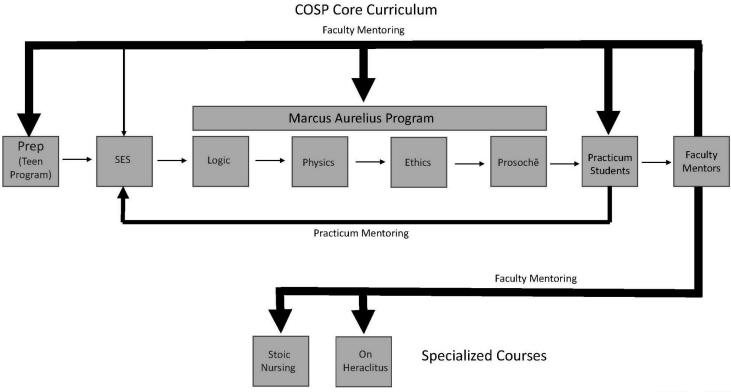
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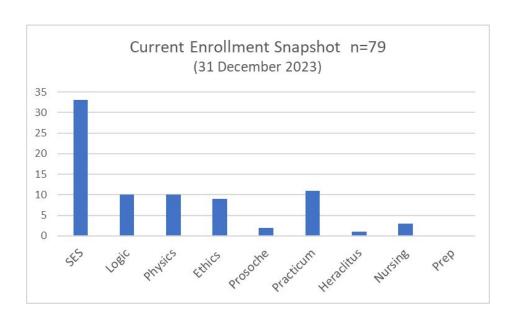
## **Our Educational Philosophy**

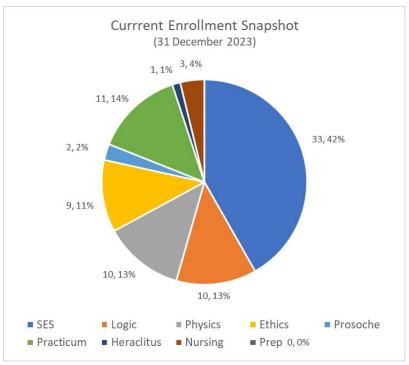
The educational philosophy of the College of Stoic Philosophers is based upon the idea that philosophy is a way of life, not just a theoretical discipline. We believe that philosophy should aim at improving one's character and conduct, and at attaining wisdom and happiness. We also believe that philosophy should be accessible and useful to everyone, regardless of their social status, gender, or background. Our College is a philosophical community-of-practice, which encourages study, dialogue, exercises and mentorship, as a means of applying Stoic principles to our daily lives.



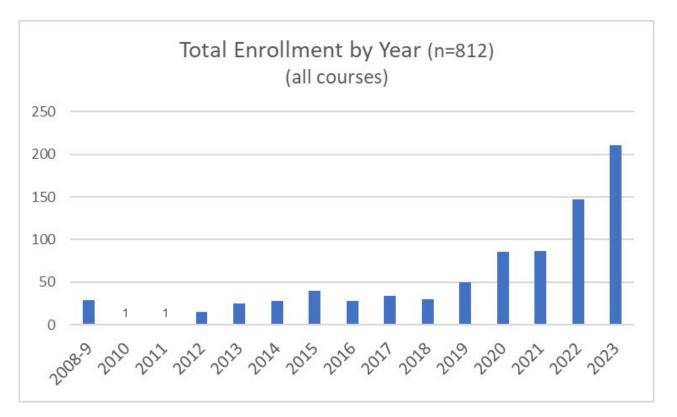














# Countries with under 10 students each

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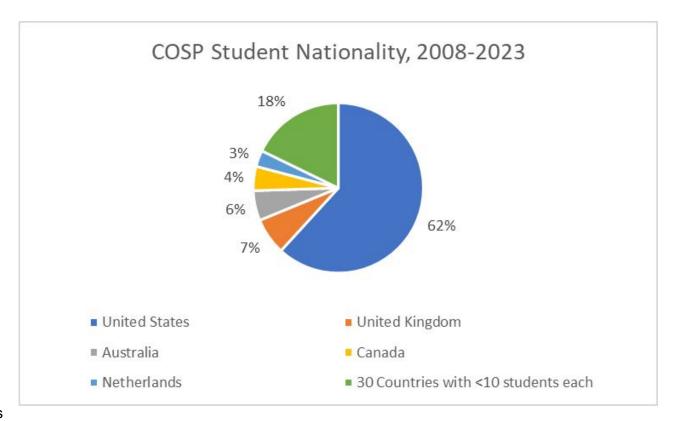
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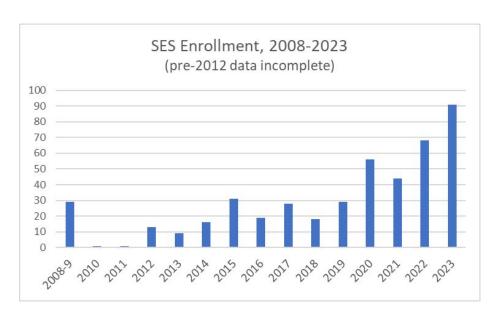
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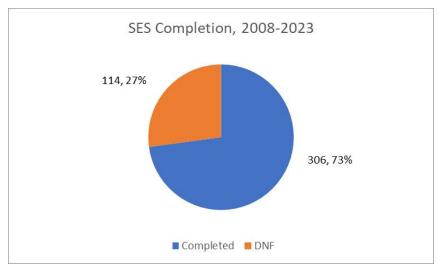
Israel United Arab Emirates





## SES Trends & Completion Rate



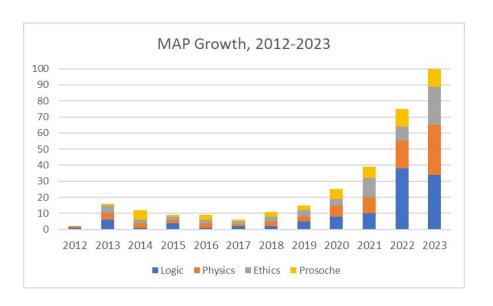


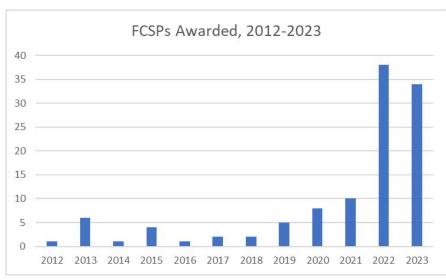
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Note: DNF = "Did not finish".



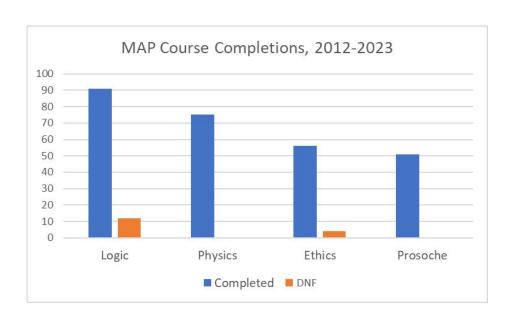
### MAP Trends & FCSPs Awarded

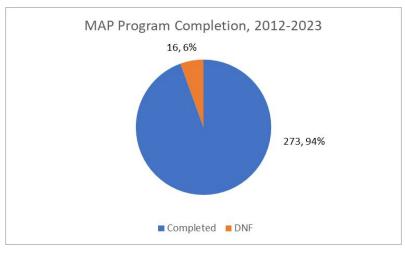




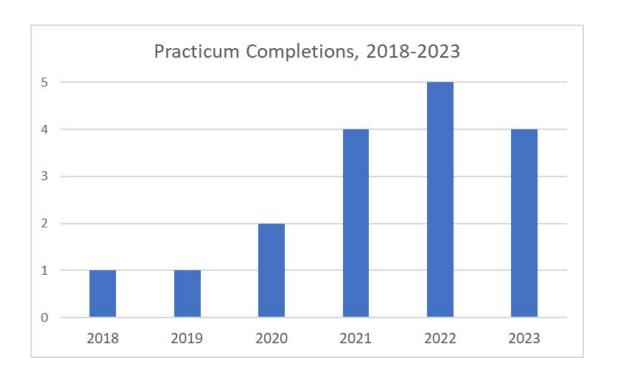


## MAP Course Completion Rates













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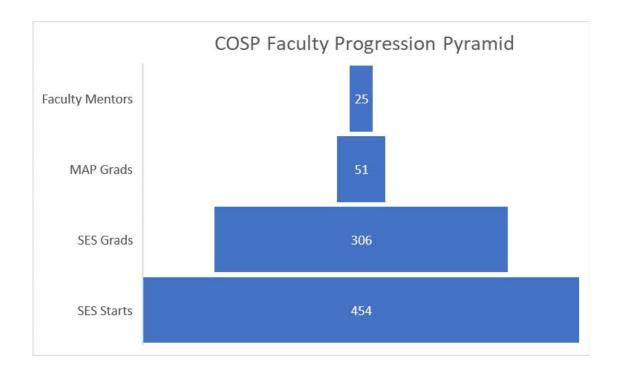












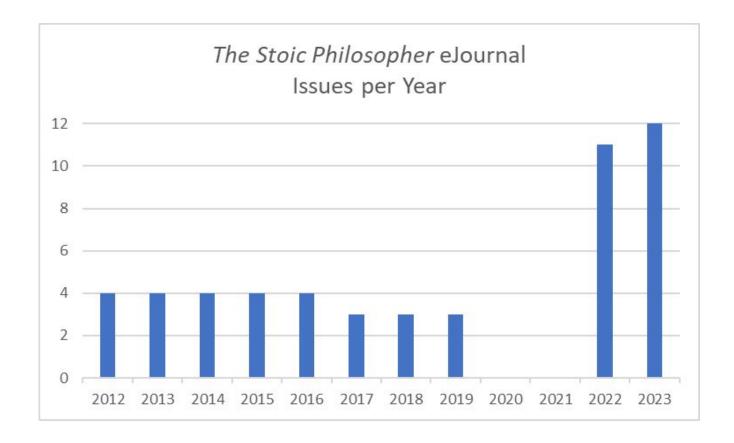
- SES Starters who complete SES
- SES graduates who completed MAP 16.7%
- MAP graduates on faculty

67.4%

49.0%

- SES graduates who join faculty
- SES starters who join faculty
- 8.2%
- 5.5%







# A Brief History of the College of Stoic Philosophers

"In April 2008, long-time self-identified Stoic Erik Wiegardt recognized that the time had come for the establishment of a school dedicated to the study and practice of Stoicism. Having founded the Stoic Registry in 1996, Erik had discovered a world of people who wanted to learn about Stoicism or were already on the path of the prokopton. He wanted to share what he had learned from decades of study and practice with the emerging global Stoic community.

Deeply influenced by the work of Pierre Hadot, Erik sought to replicate, as closely as possible, the classical curriculum and vibrant community of the original Stoic School of Athens, founded by Zeno of Citium around 300 BCE, but using 21st century technology. Over a period of three days, he sketched out the framework of a self-governing community of practice, which officially launched as the College of Stoic Philosophers on July 5, 2008.

While developing a pilot curriculum..."

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