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History of Western Women Philosophers

This is the first year that we have included a section on Western Women Philosophers. Few philosophers, and only a handful of courses nationally or internationally, have begun to explore this topic. The Macalester Philosophy Department offered this course for the first time in Spring of 2002, and the papers included in this section came out of that course. The papers did not go through the normal review process both because they came out of a new course and because they are short response papers in a relatively new sub-discipline within philosophy. The *Journal* is an arena for the publication of student work, the exploration of intellectual space, and the dissemination of the philosophical method: as such, we are pleased to dedicate this, our first section, to the History of Western Women Philosophers.