THE NECESSITY OF PHILOSOPHY

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ABSTRACT

Justifies the study of philosophy within new bases and in a way to make possible the recovery of its due academic status. Deplores the disdain toward philosophy still detectable within some academic places, due to the dephasing of philosophic research in relation to the scientific and technologic progress in this century. Attempts to show that philosophy: (1) Provides a logic foundation to the sciences; (2) Avoids the fragmentation of knowledge into compartmentalized or overspecialized universes; (3) Contributes to the elaboration of interpretative models of the universe, which is an anthropologic necessity of the culture; (4) It is an educational necessity, as far as it contributes to give the student the elements needed to his/her existential autonomy, which is the humanistic end of education; (5) Finally, to the human being it constitutes a call to reflexion, which is a moral necessity to man and society.