

PHILOSOPHY, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE FOR TRANSFER

Banner Code: 2_AAT_PHIL
Financial Aid Eligible

The Associate in Arts in Philosophy for Transfer degree focuses on a critical analysis of philosophical history, ideas, and concepts as well the development of analytical, critical thinking, writing, and reading skills. Students choosing this major will study a range of philosophical subjects including metaphysics, epistemology, logic, and ethics. In addition, students will learn how to identify philosophical principles and concepts, critically analyze texts, and generate proper arguments. Completion of this major will provide students with a well-rounded understanding of Philosophy and equip them with the skills of a philosopher. Students will be prepared to enter a baccalaureate degree program in Philosophy.

Program Level Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Describe the basic problems in philosophy and traditional approaches to the issues.
2. Employ critical thinking and analytic skills to better evaluate and understand arguments in many disciplines.
3. Evaluate philosophical concepts as they pertain within and outside of the discipline and across cultures and belief systems.

Associate Degree for Transfer Graduation Requirements

Associate Degrees for Transfer require students to meet the following requirements:

- Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of degree-applicable courses,
- Minimum overall grade point average of 2.0,
- Minimum grade of "C" (or "P") for each course in the major, and
- Completion of IGETC and/or CSU GE-Breadth.

Students should consult a GWC counselor in order to select the best pathway to meet their educational goals. For students who intend to transfer, the choice of general education will be specific to both their major and transfer institution.

Course	Title	Units
Required Core		
PHIL G115	Logic and Critical Thinking	3
PHIL G100 or PHIL G120	Introduction to Philosophy Ethics	3
List A		
<i>Select one of the following:</i>		3
Any course from Required Core not already used		
PHIL G102	History of Ancient Philosophy	3
List B		
<i>Select two of the following:</i>		6
Any course from Required Core or List A not already used		

Course	Title	Units
PHIL G110	Philosophy Of The East	3
PHIL G111	Philosophy of Religion - Western	3
HIST G180	Western Civilization 1	3
HIST G185	Western Civilization 2	3
List C		
<i>Select any course from List A or List B not already used</i>		3
Major Total		18
GE Pattern (CSU GE-Breadth or IGETC)		37-39
Total units that may be double-counted		12
Transferable Electives (as needed to reach 60 units)		15-17
Total Units		60

Recommended Program Sequence

These sequences are general course maps for students to finish all major and general education requirements for two-year completion of degrees, completion of short-term certificates, and/or fulfillment of transfer requirements. However, this may not be an appropriate path for all students. The two-year sequence is based on English and Math placement and meeting other course prerequisites. **Students are advised to meet with a GWC Counselor to review course selections and sequences to ensure that completion of this program will meet a student's transfer and career goals.**

Year 1:

Course	Title	Units
Semester 1		
PHIL G100	Introduction to Philosophy	3
ENGL G100	Freshman Composition ^A	4
Area C1: Arts course		3
Area E: Lifelong Learning & Self-Development course		3
Area A1: Oral Communication course		3
Units		16

Course	Title	Units
Semester 2		
PHIL G115	Logic and Critical Thinking	3
PHIL G120	Ethics	3
HIST G170 or HIST G175	History Of The United States To 1876 (Area D: Social & Behavioral Science course) History of the United States Since 1876	3
Area B1: Physical Science course (with or without lab) [*]		3-4
<i>Select one of the following:</i>		3
MATH G100	Liberal Arts Mathematics (UC or CSU transferable)	3
ECON G105	Consumer and Financial Math (CSU transferable only)	3
Units		15-16

Year 2:

Course	Title	Units
Semester 3		
PHIL G102	History of Ancient Philosophy	3
Area B: Life Science course (with or without lab) [*]		3-4
CSU Transferable elective coursework for a total of 3 units		3

Course	Title	Units
Area F: Ethnic Studies course		3
<i>Select one of the following:</i>		3
PHIL G110	Philosophy Of The East	3
PHIL G111	Philosophy of Religion - Western	3
HIST G180	Western Civilization 1	3
HIST G185	Western Civilization 2	3
<i>Units</i>		<i>15-16</i>

Course	Title	Units
Semester 4		
PSCI G180	American Government (Area D: Social & Behavioral Science course)	3
or PSCI G181	American Government: The Politics of Race and Ethnicity	
Area D: Social & Behavioral Science course		3
CSU Transferable elective coursework to reach a minimum of 60 units		3-6
<i>Select one of the following NOT already taken:</i>		3
PHIL G110	Philosophy Of The East	3
PHIL G111	Philosophy of Religion - Western	3
HIST G180	Western Civilization 1	3
HIST G185	Western Civilization 2	3
<i>Units</i>		<i>12-15</i>
Total minimum units required		60

^ Program sequence may not be recommended for students who self-place into ENGL G100S. Students should see a Counselor for appropriate advisement.

* Either B1 or B2 must include a lab.