PHILOSOPHY

Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree (AA-T)

The AA-T in Philosophy prepares students to transfer to a four year institution as a philosophy major. It does this in two ways. First, it introduces students to the main questions within the major branches of philosophy, including metaphysics, epistemology, political theory, aesthetics, ethics, and logic. Second, it develops the critical thinking skills necessary for tackling those philosophical questions.

Students who successfully complete the AA-T in Philosophy earn specific guarantees for transfer to the CSU system: admission to a CSU with junior status and priority admission to a CSU campus and to a program or major in Philosophy or a similar major. Students transferring to a CSU campus will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree.

Students are required to complete 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to a California State University, including both of the following: (1) The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education – Breadth Requirements and (2) 18 semester units with a grade of C or P or better in the major and an overall minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework. See pages 98–99 for a more detailed description of Associate Degrees for Transfer.

Students are advised to consult with a Berkeley City College Counselor for additional information and to verify transfer requirements.

NOTE: Although it is possible to fulfill the requirements for the Associate Degree for Transfer by completing the IGETC for UC pattern, admission to CSU requires completion of an Oral Communication course (IGETC Area 1C; CSU GE Area A-1); therefore, students who plan to transfer to CSU should complete this course as part of their GE or elective units.

Required Courses		Units	
PHIL 1	Introduction to Philosophy	3	
PHIL 20A	History of Ancient Greek Philosophy	3	
PHIL 20B	History of Modern European Philosophy	3	
PHIL 31A	Human Values/Ethics	3	
Or			
HUMAN 30A	Human Values/Ethics	3	
List A—Select 3 units from the	following:		
(Note: Most transfer institutions	will require Formal or Symbolic Logic for the major.)		
PHIL 10	Logic	3	
PHIL 11	Formal Logic	3	
List B—Select 3 units from the following:			
HUMAN 30B	Human Values/Aesthetics	3	
HUMAN 40	Religions of the World	3	
PHIL 2	Social and Political Philosophy	3	
PHIL 16	Buddhist Philosophy	3	
PHIL 35	Feminist Philosophy	3	
Or			
WS 35	Feminist Philosophy	3	
PHIL 37	Introduction to Asian Philosophy	3	
	Major Requirements	18	
	General Education (IGETC or CSU GE) and Electives	42	
	Total Units	60	

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Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree (AA-T) Recommended Two-Year Course Sequence Beginning in the Fall Semester

You can use the following pattern to complete an Associate in Arts degree in Philosophy. This is only one possible pattern. If you wish to earn an associate degree, you must participate in the Student Success Program (Matriculation), which includes assessing academic skills and developing a Student Education Plan (SEP) with a Counselor. This plan will map your sequence of courses to help you complete your degree regardless of the semester you begin classes.

Course		Units
	1st Semester/Fall	
PHIL 1	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHIL 20A	History of Ancient Greek Philosophy	3
	General Education and Electives	9
	Total	15
	2nd Semester/Spring	
PHIL 11	Formal Logic	3
PHIL 31A	Human Values/Ethics	3
OR		
HUMAN 30A	Human Values/Ethics	3
	General Education and Electives	9
	Total	15
	3rd Semester/Fall	
	One course from List B	3
	General Education and Electives	12
	Total	15
	4th Semester/Spring	
PHIL 20B	History of Modern European Philosophy	3
	General Education and Electives	12
	Total	15

Program Learning Outcomes

Students who complete the program will be able to:

- Analyze critically and creatively the work of major figures in philosophy.
- Evaluate the most important topics in a range of areas which are typically regarded as lying at the center of contemporary philosophical thought in different parts of the world, including ethics, logic, metaphysics, theory of knowledge, philosophy of religion, aesthetics, political philosophy, Asian philosophy, or feminist philosophy.
- Express philosophical ideas and defend them effectively in argument, both in writing and orally.