

Philosophy

Award Type: Associate in Arts for Transfer

Philosophy is thinking critically and rationally about human problems of knowledge, existence, conduct, art, and religion. Students explore the great ideas of Western and Eastern heritage and encounter fundamentals of almost all other disciplines. These include, but are not limited to, questions such as: What is reality? What is the nature of the self? Does God exist? What is good and just? What ought I to do? In addition philosophy courses help students to develop good logical and critical reasoning skills, expose hidden preconceptions, encourage open debate and independent thought, and provide opportunity to apply valuable insights gained to contemporary life. The Associate in Arts in Philosophy for Transfer degree is designed to prepare the student for transfer to four-year institutions of higher education and specifically intended to satisfy the lower division requirements for the Baccalaureate Degree in Philosophy at a California State University. Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements Completion of 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including the following: 1. Completion of the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education-Breadth (CSU GE). 2. A minimum of 18 semester units in a major or area of emphasis as determined by the community college district. 3. Obtainment of an overall minimum grade point average of 2.0. 4. Minimum grade of C, or P grade, for each course in the major. [The following Allan Hancock College graduation requirements will not be required: Health and Wellness, Multicultural Gender Studies and Allan Hancock College General Education.]

The graduate of the Associate in Arts for Transfer in Philosophy will:

- Critically analyze and evaluate arguments regarding issues of metaphysics and epistemology.
- Critically analyze and evaluate arguments regarding issues of ethics and political philosophy.

Program Requirements

A major of 18 units is required for the Associate in Arts in Philosophy for transfer degree.

Required core courses (15 units):

Course Number	Course Title	Units
PHIL 101	Survey of Philosophy	3.0
PHIL 105	Ethics	3.0
PHIL 112	Logic	3.0
HIST 104	Western Civilizations to 1650	3.0
HIST 105	Western Civilization Since 1650	3.0

List A: Select 1 course from the following (3 units):

Course Number	Course Title	Units
PHIL 114	Critical Thinking	3.0
PHIL 121	Religions of the Modern World	3.0
PHIL 122	Exploring Religious Issues	3.0