

# PHILOSOPHY, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

The study of Philosophy invites students to carefully analyze and thoughtfully respond to the fundamental ideas and basic concerns present in the human experience. The goal is to examine ourselves, our culture, and our world and the persisting questions regarding human thought and action. Instruction in philosophy teaches, not what to think, but how to think. The program also develops skills in analytical and critical thinking and writing that are excellent preparation for professional and other careers.

The Associate in Arts in Philosophy for Transfer (AA-T) is intended for students who plan to transfer and complete a bachelor's degree Philosophy, or a "similar" major at a CSU campus. Each CSU campus determines which of the degrees it offers are "similar" and can be completed with the preparation included in the AA-T in Philosophy within 60 units once a student transfers, so which majors are "similar" varies from CSU to CSU. For a current list of what majors (and what options or areas of emphasis within that major) have been designated as "similar" to this degree at each CSU campus, please refer to CSU's Associate (<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Pages/associate-degree-for-transfer-major-and-campus-search.aspx>) Degree for Transfer Major and Campus Search (<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Pages/associate-degree-for-transfer-major-and-campus-search.aspx>) w (<https://www2.calstate.edu/apply/transfer/Pages/associate-degree-for-transfer-major-and-campus-search.aspx>) ebsite and seek guidance from a Moorpark College counselor. Students completing this degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major.

## To earn an AA-T in Philosophy, students must:

- Complete 60 semester or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
  - The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education-Breadth (CSU GE-Breadth) requirements
  - The required coursework for the AA-T in Philosophy as listed in the Moorpark College catalog.
- Obtain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some transfer institutions and majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.
- Obtain a grade of "C" or better or "P" in all courses required in the major. Even though a "pass-no-pass" is allowed (Title 5 §55063), it is highly recommended that students complete their major courses with a letter grade (A, B, or C).
- Complete requirements in residency. For students in the Ventura County Community College District, a minimum of 12 units must be completed in residence at the college granting the degree.

Students transferring to a CSU campus that accepts the AA-T in Philosophy degree will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree (unless the major is a designated "high-unit" major at a particular campus). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU

system. Students should consult with a counselor when planning to complete the degree for more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
<b>REQUIRED CORE- Select and complete two courses, one from each Area</b>		
<b>Area 1 - Complete one course</b>		<b>3</b>
PHIL M01	Introduction to Philosophy	
or PHIL M01H	Honors: Introduction to Philosophy	
PHIL M02	Introduction to Ethics	
or PHIL M02H	Honors: Introduction to Ethics	
<b>Area 2 - Complete one course</b>		<b>3</b>
PHIL M07	Introduction to Logic	
PHIL M09	Introduction to Symbolic Logic	
<b>Units from LIST A - One course</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Units from LIST B - Two courses</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Units from LIST C - One course</b>		<b>3-5</b>
<b>Total Units for Major</b>		<b>18-20</b>
Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
<b>LIST A: Select and complete one course</b>		<b>3</b>
Any course from REQUIRED CORE not already used		
PHIL M05	Critical Thinking and Analytic Writing	3
PHIL M11	World Religions: West	3
PHIL M12	World Religions: East	3
PHIL M13	The Classical Mind	3
PHIL M14	The Modern Mind	3
Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
<b>LIST B: Select and complete two courses</b>		<b>6</b>
Any course from LIST A not already used		
BUS M33	Business Law	3
HIST M170	Western Civilization: From Prehistory to 1600	3
HIST M180	Western Civilization: From 1600 To The Present	3
PHIL M03	Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy	3
PHIL M08	Philosophy of Religion	3
SOC M150	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	3
Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
<b>LIST C: Select and complete one course</b>		<b>3-5</b>
Any course from LIST A or LIST B not already used		
Any course articulated as lower-division preparation in the Philosophy major at a CSU		
Any Course Approved for Area C2 of CSU GE or Area 3B of IGETC - See current CSU GE and IGETC forms for Approved Courses		
<b>Total Units for the Major</b>		<b>18-20</b>
<b>CSU GE-Breadth Certification Plan</b>		<b>39</b>
Double-Counted Units: 9 - 18		

Electives to meet 60 CSU units: 10 - 21

**IGETC Pattern: 37. NOTE: IGETC 1C is required for all CSU applicants. Students applying to a UC or Private school may earn this ADT without IGETC 1C but will be ineligible to apply to a CSU.** **37**

Double-Counted Units: 6 - 15

Electives to meet 60 CSU units: 9 - 20

**Total Units Required for the AA-T Degree** **60**

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

- demonstrate the ability to evaluate philosophical positions critically and systematically.
- demonstrate the ability to formulate and defend philosophical positions.
- master the ability to write well-reasoned, well-integrated essays about materials recently studied.
- master the ability to orally defend positions taken.