

PHILOSOPHY ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

PROGRAM CODE: 1A16881

Financial Aide Eligible

The **Associate in Arts Degree in Philosophy** is designed to develop the reasoning skills needed to understand and evaluate theories about society, persons, reality, knowledge, truth, values, etc. The purpose of which is to uncover the assumptions underlying our understanding of the world and to subject those assumptions to careful scrutiny using the tools of logic. Upon successful completion, students will understand the major concepts and issues that have shaped philosophical traditions and be able to make decisions based on rigorous, logical standards. Skills in thinking and problem solving, research, writing, criticism, and analysis are emphasized. This will include the ability to critically analyze the logical structure of arguments in contemporary social and moral issues and to assess the influential positions on theories of truth and the nature of reality. The precision of thought and expression that philosophy. Those holding a Master's or Doctoral Degree may find employment in education, law, journalism, health, business, theology, public service, and other disciplines where analytical skills are required. A limited number of students who earn graduate degrees in philosophy go on to become college philosophy professors. Those without a graduate degree will find limited career opportunities in direct areas of Philosophy. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree at Cypress College might not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a baccalaureate degree. The Associate in Arts Degree in Philosophy will provide students with an introduction to the field including its analytic foundations and applied areas. The degree curriculum and major provide a sound foundation for transfer students intending further upper-division study as preparation for the baccalaureate degree. To earn an Associate Degree students must complete: (1) all major course requirements with a minimum grade of "C"; (2) Cypress College Native General Education requirements; California State University General Education Breadth requirements (CSU GE Breadth) or IGETC General Education requirements; (3) any elective courses to complete a minimum of 60 units; (4) complete all graduation requirements; and, (5) have an overall GPA of 2.0. At least 50% of all major course work must be completed at Cypress College. Students pursuing more than one specified departmental major may double count a maximum of 7 units to fulfill major requirements. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an Associate Degree at Cypress College might not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a Baccalaureate Degree. For information on specific university requirements, please consult with your counselor, or visit the Transfer Center.

Code	Title	Units
Required Courses: (12 units)		
<i>Required courses are listed in suggested sequence:</i>		
Take 6 units (and 6 units from Method Courses)		6-9
<i>OR</i>		
Take 9 units (and 3 units from Method Courses)		
PHIL 100 C	Introduction to Philosophy	3
or PHIL 100HC	Honors Intro to Philosophy	
PHIL 160 C	Introduction to Ethics	3
PHIL 201 C	History of Ancient Philosophy	3
PHIL 202 C	History of Modern Philosophy	3

Philosophy Method Courses: (3-6 units)		3 - 6
		UNITS
Select three to six units of the following:		3-6
PHIL 170 C	Logic and Critical Thinking	3
PHIL 172 C	Critical Thinking and Writing	3
PHIL 175 C	Symbolic Logic	3
Philosophy Elective Courses		3
		UNITS
Select three units of the following:		3
PHIL 101 C	Intro to Religious Studies	3
PHIL 110 C	Religions of the East	3
PHIL 120 C	Religions of the West	3
PHIL 240 C	Jesus and His Interpreters	3
PHIL 230 C	Philosophy of Religion	3
Elective Courses		
Select three to four units of the following:		3-4
ANTH 102 C	Cultural Anthropology	3
ART 100 C	Fndmtls of Art for Non-Art Mjs	3
ENGL 110 C/ INDS 100 C	Humanities - Ancient and Medieval	3
ENGL 111 C/ INDS 101 C	Humanities - Renaissance - Present (same as INDS 101 C)	3
MUS 116 C	Music Appreciation	3
PHYS 130 C	Elementary Physics	4
POSC 120 C	Political Theory	3
POSC 215 C	Comparative Politics ¹	3
PSY 101 C	Introduction to Psychology ²	3
or PSY 101HC	Honors Intro to Psychology	
PSY 120 C	Human Sexuality	3
PSY 161 C	Probability & Stats-Social Sci	4
PSY 221 C	The Brain and Behavior	3
SOC 101 C	Introduction to Sociology	3
or SOC 101HC	Honors Introduction to Sociology	
THEA 100 C	Introduction to the Theatre	3
TOTAL UNITS:		18
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Program Student Learning Outcomes:

OUTCOME 1: Acquire the knowledge and critical thinking skills needed to evaluate and contextualize the major events, concepts, and problems that have shaped the development of western thought and the universal human search for meaning.

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