



# Academic & Career **PATHWAYS**

## **Associate in Arts (A.A.)**

### **Philosophy – Full-Time Advising Guide**

Philosophers deal with the most difficult problems that there are. After working on these kinds of problems, the ordinary problems of daily life seem more trivial. Although relatively few people become professional philosophers, the study of philosophy is a vital part of your college education. Philosophy courses have many benefits. You will learn to think deeply, creatively, critically, and communicate competently and thoroughly. All of these will help you in any endeavor, whether it's law, teaching, diplomacy, public service, publishing, journalism, the ministry, the social or natural sciences, mathematics, business, or the arts. Choose from courses that include ethics, logic, world religion, and critical thinking. Our philosophy program is built around the Associate in Arts (AA) degree. This degree gives you a solid two-year background in general education courses that can transfer to a four-year institution.

	Course	Degree Requirements Met	Credits	Action Steps
<b>Semester 1</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 101_Composition & Reading I	Written Communications	3	▪ Meet with Student Success Advisor to build degree plan
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL 100_Introduction to Philosophy	Humanities & Fine Arts	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HIST 133_ or HIST 134_	Civics Elective	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Humanities & Fine Arts Options List	Humanities & Fine Arts	3-5*	
<input type="checkbox"/>	*Elective	Program Elective	3	
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>			<b>12-17</b>	
<b>▪ Semester 2</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/>	COMM 100_Fundamentals of Speech	Oral Communications	3	▪ Meet with Student Success Advisor
<input type="checkbox"/>	MATH 115 or higher (Mathematical Sciences)	Mathematical Sciences	3 - 5*	
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 102_Composition & Reading II	Written Communications	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Humanities & Fine Arts Options List	Humanities & Fine Arts	3 – 5*	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL 203_Ethics	Elective	3	
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>			<b>15 - 17</b>	
<b>▪ Semester 3</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social & Behavioral Sciences/Civics Options List	Social & Behavioral Sciences/Civics	3	▪ Meet with Student Success Advisor ▪ Complete <a href="#">Civics Exam</a> with 70% or higher
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any course 100 or higher	Elective	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Natural Science Option List – with lab	Natural Sciences	3-5*	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL 266_ world Religions	Elective/Global Diversity	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL 148_Critical Thinking	Elective	3	
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>			<b>15-17</b>	
<b>▪ Semester 4</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/>	PHIL 200_logic	Elective	3	▪ Meet with Student Success Advisor
<input type="checkbox"/>	Natural Science Option – with lab	Natural Sciences		



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<input type="checkbox"/>	Social & Behavioral Sciences Options List	Social & Behavioral Sciences	3 – 5*	▪ Apply for graduation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social & Behavioral Sciences Options List	Social & Behavioral Sciences	3 - 4*	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Elective if needed for units to 60	Elective	3	
<b>Total Semester Credits</b>			<b>15 - 19</b>	
<b>Credits Required</b>			<b>60*</b>	
*The A.A. in Philosophy requires a minimum of 60* total credits to graduate. When selecting a course from multiple options, please consider the number of credits for each course to ensure meeting the minimum requirements for graduation.				

This Pathway Map is an advising tool designed for full-time/part-time students and identifies the course recommendations for timely degree completion. All pathway maps can be modified to fit the individual needs of students. All students are encouraged to meet with their academic advisor to develop an individualized completion plan that best meets their goals, interests, and objectives. Degree requirements and prerequisite information can be found here: [Philosophy](#)

Please note:

- Courses may require a prerequisite or appropriate placement, see the [Academic Catalog](#) for additional information.
- Natural Science courses must be chosen from two different disciplines including at least one course with a lab.
- Only 3 credits for performance classes can be used for Humanities & Fine Arts.