

Philosophy AA (COC GE Track)

+If you have completed coursework at another college and/or are starting in a semester other than a Fall term, please follow up with the Counseling Department to determine if this sequence is appropriate for your academic and career goals.

Program Description: Philosophy is the activity of trying to make sense of our world through sustained and rigorous thinking about the most difficult questions rooted in the minds of human beings. Thus, the study of philosophy invites reflection upon and analysis of the nature of reality, value, and the self. Courses in philosophy offer students the opportunity for self-development and the building of a coherent view of world and culture. Majoring in philosophy is an excellent way to develop skills in argument analysis as well as critical reasoning, and thus is relevant to understanding problems and evaluating solutions in any area of study or employment. The study of philosophy is excellent preparation for careers in law, journalism, politics, and university teaching. Study in philosophy does not focus on what to think, but on how to think. The program in Philosophy is designed as preparation for transfer to a four-year university with a major in Philosophy, Humanities, or any liberal arts discipline.

Program SLO: Critically engage with the world of ideas, both historical and contemporary, enabling them to interpret and understand their place in the world as citizens and active participants in the expression of human culture and values.

Important Transfer Information: The sequence listed below, may not meet all your transfer admissions requirements. Connect with a counselor to develop an individual student education plan through the Counseling Department @ <https://www.canyons.edu/counseling> or (661) 362-3288/(661) 362-3811.

Major courses are sequenced and **BOLDED** based on recommendations by the [Philosophy Department](#).

First Semester (3-15 units) FA = Fall; WI = Winter; SP = Spring; SU = Summer

Course	Title	Units	Major and GE Courses
PHILOS 101/101H	Introduction to Philosophy (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	Major and Area C
PHILOS 106 or PHILOS 230	Critical Reasoning (FA, WI, SP, SU) or Symbolic Logic (FA, SP)	3	Major
ENGLISH 101/101H	English Composition (FA, WI, SP, SU)	4	Area Di
Math Competency	Any 100-level math course (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3-5	Area 3 and Dii
PE/Wellness	Take two of any KPEA or Dance activity classes (except Dance 100) or Health 100, 149, 150, 243 (FA, WI, SP, SU)	2-3	Area F
Term Total:		15-18	

Check the [Honors website](#) for most recent course offerings. Must be enrolled in the Honors program to take courses, see below.

Second Semester (16-30 units)

Course	Title	Units	Major and GE Courses
PHILOS 120 or PHILOS 240	Introduction to Ethics (FA, WI, SP, SU) or Contemporary Moral Problems (FA)	3	Major
Group 1 Course	Choose one class in Group 1 listed below	3	Major Elective
*Social Science Course	Choose one course from the AA GE Area B category (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	Area B and Diversity
Natural Science	Choose one course from the AA GE Area A (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3-4	Area A
American Institutions – Choose Option I or II	Complete first course in chosen option – (note: must take both classes within one option) (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	American Institutions
Term Total:		15-16	

Consider taking a Social Science general education course with an () indication on the Associate Degree Requirements Checklist. Courses with an (*) will also meet the GE Diversity Requirement. Refer to the [Associate Degree Checklist for details](#).

Third Semester (31-45 units)

Course	Title	Units	Major and GE Courses
PHILOS 110 or PHILOS 111	History of Ancient Philosophy (FA) or History of Modern Philosophy (SP)	3	Major
Group 2 Course	Choose one course from Group 2 listed below (FA, SP)	3	Major Elective
American Institutions	Complete second course in chosen option – (note: must take both classes within one option) (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	American Institutions
AA Elective - <i>Department Recommends</i> PHILOS 112	Choose any 3-unit course that is AA degree applicable (FA, WI, SP, SU) – <i>Department Recommends History of Philosophy – 20th Century Philosophy (FA)</i>	3	Elective
AA Elective - <i>Department Recommends PHILOS Course</i>	Choose any 3-unit course that is AA degree applicable	3	Elective
Term Total:		15	

Fourth Semester (46-60 units)

Course	Title	Units	Major and GE Courses
Group 3 Course	Choose one course from Group 3 that has not already been completed	3	Major Elective
AA Elective - <i>Department Recommends</i> PHILOS 250	Choose any 3-unit course that is AA degree applicable – <i>Department Recommends Environmental Ethics (SP)</i>	3	Elective
AA Elective – <i>Department Recommends</i> PHILOS 225	Choose any 3-unit course that is AA degree applicable (FA, WI, SP, SU)- <i>Department Recommends Introduction to Philosophy of Religion (SP)</i>	3	Elective
AA Elective - <i>Department Recommends PHILOS Course</i>	Choose any 3-unit course that is AA degree applicable (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	Elective
AA Elective - <i>Department Recommends PHILOS Course</i>	Choose any 3-unit course that is AA degree applicable (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3	Elective
Term Total:		15	

Students are encouraged to take additional Philosophy courses to fulfill AA electives.

Total Units: 60+

Group 1 – Choose three units in this area

*PHILOS 102	Introduction to Eastern Religion & Philosophy (FA, SP)	3
*PHILOS 220	Introduction to Comparative Religion (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3
PHILOS 225	Introduction to Philosophy of Religion (SP)	3

**PHILOS 120 and 220 may count towards your major AND GE Diversity requirement*

Group 2 – Choose three units in this area

PHILOS 112	History of Philosophy – 20 th Century Philosophy (FA)	3
PHILOS 130	Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy (FA)	3
PHILOS 250	Environmental Ethics (SP)	3

Group 3 – Choose three units in this area that have not already been taken

PHILOS 102	Introduction to Eastern Religion & Philosophy (FA, SP)	3
PHILOS 106	Critical Reasoning (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3
PHILOS 110	History of Ancient Philosophy (FA)	3
PHILOS 111	History of Modern Philosophy (SP)	3
PHILOS 112	History of Philosophy – 20 th Century Philosophy (FA)	3
PHILOS 120	Introduction to Ethics (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3
PHILOS 130	Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy (FA)	3
PHILOS 220	Introduction to Comparative Religion (FA, WI, SP, SU)	3
PHILOS 225	Introduction to Philosophy of Religion (SP)	3

PHILOS 230	Symbolic Logic (FA, SP)	3
PHILOS 240	Contemporary Moral Problems (FA)	3
PHILOS 250	Environmental Ethics (SP)	3

American Institutions Requirement – Select one of the options below and complete a total of 6 units

Option I	One course from the following: Economics 170/170H, History 111/111H, History 112/112H, History 120/120H, or History 130 AND Political Science 150/150H (FA, WI, SP, SU)
Option II	History 111/111H AND History 112/112H (FA, WI, SP, SU)

Counseling Resources

Philosophy Department: www.canyons.edu/philosophy

Counseling Department: <https://www.canyons.edu/student-services/counseling/>

AA General Education: <https://www.canyons.edu/student-services/counseling/degrees/generated.php>

Philosophy Club: Email Marco.llaguno@canyons.edu for more information

COC Honors Program: <https://www.canyons.edu/academics/honors/index.php>

Campus Alliances: <https://www.canyons.edu/administration/ie2/equity/alliances.php>

Petition for Associate Degree: Check the [student calendar](#) for term-specific submission deadlines. Summer graduation associate degree petitions are due by April 1st for your name to appear in the spring commencement pamphlet. The petition form must be reviewed with a counselor and may be found here:

https://www.canyons.edu/_resources/documents/student-services/admissions/Petition_for_Associate_Degree_and_Certificate_of_Achievement.pdf

Career Resources

California Career Zone: <https://www.cacareerzone.org/>

O*Net Online: <https://www.onetonline.org/>

Bureau of Labor and Statistics: www.bls.gov

American Philosophical Association: <https://www.apaonline.org/>