

Associate in Arts Philosophy Concentration

Students who complete this concentration will satisfy the requirements of MassTransfer. Students should consult with an advisor about the general education course requirements.

A candidate for the Philosophy Concentration might select a schedule similar to this.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Prerequisites
First Semester			
ENL101	English Composition I	3	Appropriate scores in Reading Comprehension & in Sentence Skills on CPT or grade of C or better in ENL020 and ENL050 or ESL201
COM103	Human Communication	3	ENL010 or ESL102 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score
PHI130	Introduction to Philosophy	3	None
ANT107 (or) SOC106	Introduction to Anthropology (or) Principles of Sociology	3	None (or) ENL020 & ENL050 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score
HIS160	European History I	3	ENL020 & ENL050 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score
Second Semester			
ENL102	English Composition II	3	A grade of C or higher in ENL101
PHI160	Three Great Thinkers	3	ENL101 and a previous philosophy course
HIS162	European History II	3	ENL020 & ENL050 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score
	Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning*	3/4	
	Humanities & Fine Arts(Literature)	3	
Third Semester			
REL122	Concepts of Western Religion	3	None
PHI201	Existentialism	3	ENL101 or PHI130
	Natural or Physical Science**	4	
	Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning*	3/4	
	Humanities & Fine Arts	3	
Fourth Semester			
REL123	Concepts of Eastern Religion	3	None
PHI210	Ethics	3	ENL101 or PHI130
	Natural or Physical Science**	4	
PHI131	Logic	3	PHI130 or ENL101
	Humanities & Fine Arts	3	
Total Credits:		62/64	

The Associate in Arts degree does not indicate a specialized degree in a concentration.

Overview

The Philosophy concentration provides an intense and focused program on thinking and writing about the most basic intellectual activities in the human experience, including a broad range of historical, religious, social and ethical considerations.

Career Outlook

The Philosophy concentration provides a solid base from which a student could continue in a bachelor's program in any of the social sciences or liberal arts. The Philosophy concentration is also an excellent long-range preparation for graduate work in any area of specialization, particularly in law or in medical school.

*For the mathematically adept or for the scientifically inclined, this should be Precalculus. For the individual less interested in these subjects, this should be Elementary Statistics.

**For the scientifically inclined, this should be Physics I, II; University Physics I, II; General Chemistry I, II; or Concepts in Biology I.

For the individual less interested in science, this should be Survey of Physics; Survey of Chemistry; Intro to Environmental Science; or Introduction to Earth Science.

Note: Some transfer colleges require proficiency in a modern language at the intermediate level.