# Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and Religion Roadmap

**Total Units Required**: 120

**Minimum Number of Units in the Major**: 40

## Course

### First Semester
- **PHIL 110**: Introduction to Critical Thinking I
  - **Units**: 3

### Second Semester
- **GE Area A: Oral Communication (A1)**
  - **Units**: 3

### Third Semester
- **GE Area A: Written English Communication II (A4)**
  - **Units**: 3
- **GE Area B: Physical Science (B1) and Laboratory Science (B3)**
  - **Units**: 3-4
- **Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Two**
  - **Units**: 6

### Fourth Semester
- **PHIL 450**: Ethics
  - **Units**: 3
- **PHIL 502**: World Religions
  - **Units**: 3

### Fifth Semester
- **PHIL 303**: Modern Philosophy
  - **Units**: 3
- **PHIL 320GW**: Philosophical Analysis - GWAR
  - **Units**: 3
- **Comparative Thought (6 units)**
  - **Units**: 3

### Sixth Semester
- **Select One:**
  - **PHIL 301**: Ancient Philosophy
  - **PHIL 302**: Medieval Philosophy
  - **PHIL 516**: Islamic Philosophy
  - **PHIL 525/RELS 300**: The Nature of Religious Experience
  - **Comparative Thought (6 units)**
  - **Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Two**
  - **Units**: 15

### Seventh Semester
- **Select One:**
  - **PHIL 301**: Ancient Philosophy
  - **PHIL 302**: Medieval Philosophy
  - **PHIL 516**: Islamic Philosophy
  - **PHIL 500**: Philosophy of Religion
  - **Elective Units from Related Fields (6 units)**
  - **Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective**
  - **Units**: 15

### Eighth Semester
- **Select One:**
  - **PHIL 605** or **PHIL 610**: Metaphysics or Theory of Knowledge
  - **PHIL 696**: Directed Reading: Learning Outcomes
  - **Elective Units from Related Fields (6 units)**
  - **Complementary Studies or SF State Studies or University Elective – Take Three**
  - **Units**: 15

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**Final Total Units**: 120-122

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1. PHIL 110 or equivalent.
2. To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet LLD and SF State Studies requirements (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) within your GE or major.
3. ENG 114 can only be taken if you complete Directed Self-Placement (DSP) and select ENG 114; if you choose ENG 104/ENG 105 through DSP you will satisfy A2 upon successful completion of ENG 105 in the second semester; multilingual students may be advised into alternative English courses.

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Depending on courses completed through Early Start, students in Pathway/Category 3 or 4 may be required to enroll in a support course to complement their Quantitative Reasoning/B4 requirement. There are multiple course options for this pathway. Before enrolling in a B4 course, students should verify their MATH Pathway/Category in their Student Center (http://cms.sfsu.edu/content/student-center). Information regarding the courses that correspond with your MATH Pathway/Category can be found on the Developmental Studies Office Website (http://developmentalstudies.sfsu.edu).

Consider taking a class combined with a laboratory or a separate lab to fulfill B3 if not already satisfied.

Complementary Studies for the Philosophy Major

Twelve units of complementary studies are required of all candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degrees in Philosophy and Religion. These units must come from courses bearing a prefix other than PHIL, and not cross-listed with PHIL. Philosophy and Religion majors are given a multitude of pathways toward completing this requirement, each of which is designed to facilitate graduation in a timely manner and deepen the student’s knowledge and appreciation of a set of relevant issues in a multi-disciplinary way. Philosophy and Religion majors may, with the approval of a department advisor, elect to apply 12 units in a single foreign language of their choosing or; courses taken in an approved study abroad program (e.g., CSU Study Abroad). Otherwise, with the approval of a department advisor, the student may take 12 units of courses that complement the study of philosophy and religion. The study of philosophy and religion is enhanced by learning drawn from complementary areas, such as history and culture of Africa, American Indian studies, the arts, alternative medicine, history and culture of ancient religions, history and culture of Asian religions, bioethics/medical ethics and healing professions, business ethics, cinema studies, counseling, environmental studies, global history and culture, history and culture of Islam, Jewish studies, holistic medicine, the human sciences, oral and written communication, legal studies, literary studies, European studies, history and culture of Latina/Latino peoples, music, justice studies, LGBTQ studies, religious studies, sexuality studies, social justice, the social sciences, under- represented groups, women and gender studies. To accommodate emerging areas of philosophical study, students are encouraged to design 12-unit modules for the review and approval of the department advisor.

Students who have earned AA-T or AS-T degrees and are pursuing a similar B.A. degree at SF State are required to fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement as defined by the major department. Students should consult with a major advisor about how transfer units and/or SF State units can best be applied to this requirement in order to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

PHIL 320GW satisfies the Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR). Students who have satisfied GWAR in a discipline other than philosophy will still be required to complete PHIL 320GW as a requirement of the major.

PHIL 436 Islamic Political Philosophy (3 units)
PHIL 494 Philosophy and Personal Development (3 units)
or up to two 500 level Philosophy courses