Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy – PHIL Associate Degree for Transfer Roadmap

This is a sample pathway for students who transfer to San Francisco State University in the current Bulletin year with an AA-T in Philosophy. Up to three units in the major and all lower division GE requirements have been satisfied. Additional units in the major may have been satisfied. Check with a major advisor about the most appropriate course sequence. Degree completion guaranteed in 60 units; see the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) section for more information (http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/transfer-students).

Course Title Units

First Semester

PHIL 205 Formal Logic I 1 3
if already satisfied, Select One of the Following:

PHIL 301 Ancient Philosophy 2 2
PHIL 302 Medieval Philosophy 2 2

PHIL 516 Islamic Philosophy 2 2
PHIL 320GW Philosophical Analysis - GWAR 3 3
US History (bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/graduation-requirements/#USHaGR) 3 3
or University Elective if US History met before transfer
University Elective - Take Two 6 6

Second Semester

Select One:

PHIL 301 Ancient Philosophy 2 2
PHIL 302 Medieval Philosophy 2 2

PHIL 516 Islamic Philosophy 2 2
or PHIL Elective if 301/302/516 option satisfied

PHIL 303 Modern Philosophy 2 2 3
PHIL 321 Being and Knowing 3 3
PHIL 450 Ethics 2 2 3
U.S. and California Government (bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/graduation-requirements/#usg) 3 3
or University Elective if US/CA Government met before transfer

Units 15

Third Semester

PHIL 335 Law and Society 3 3
Select One:

PHIL 350 Philosophy of Science 4 4
PHIL 351 Philosophy of Risk 4 4
PHIL 621 Minds, Brains and Computers 4 4

To Do at SF State:

Enough total units to reach 120 minimum for graduation; 40 units minimum at the upper division level; to include the following:

University-Wide Requirements: 9–15 Units

- American Institutions (0–6 units): US History, US Government, California State and Local Government requirements if not taken before transfer
- Upper division GE (9 units): Courses required for the major may double-count if approved for UD GE.
- Students entering this major with the AA-T in Philosophy are not required to fulfill SF State Studies requirements.
- Complementary Studies: consult with a department advisor on how transfer units and/or SF State units can be applied to ensure degree completion within 60 units.

Philosophy Major: 37–40 Units

Students are advised to work with a department advisor on the selection of courses.

- Foundation/GWAR (3–6 units): See note 1 above regarding PHIL 205.
- History (6 units)
- Normative Issues (9 units)
- Core Issues of the Discipline (9 units)
- Electives (9 units)
- Culmination (1 unit)

University Electives: 14 or More Units

Depends on course choices made at the community college, how transferred units are applied to the requirements above, and course choices at SF State. Some courses may meet more than one requirement, e.g. in both UD GE and the major.

1. Students who have taken Symbolic Logic before transfer should take a Major History course (PHIL 301 or PHIL 302 or PHIL 516). Students who haven’t taken Symbolic Logic should take PHIL 205. Contact a Philosophy Department advisor for questions about the symbolic logic requirement.

2. PHIL 301, PHIL 302, PHIL 303, PHIL 450 and PHIL 516 fulfill GE UD-C.

3. PHIL 335 fulfills GE UD-D.

4. PHIL 350, PHIL 351, PHIL 621 fulfill GE UD-B.