## Philosophy, A.A.

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### Requirements

Interest in studying philosophy begins with the desire to engage life's greatest questions: finding the meaning of human existence, making sense of reality and our place in the cosmos, giving systematic form to our ethical and political intuitions, explaining the history of human ideas, and other equally significant problems. Often students wonder how the study of philosophy can provide the foundation for successful and meaningful employment. Contrary to popular belief, a philosophy major is one of the best preparations possible for careers in a large number of different areas. An article in the London Times rightly called philosophy the "ultimate 'transferable work skill'" insofar as it prepares students for a wide array of practical services. As a group, philosophy majors consistently score at or near the top on standardized tests, gain employment on graduation at higher than average rates, rank highly in median mid-career salary, and enjoy a well-earned reputation for rigorous thinking. In fact, the Association of American Colleges and Universities tells students, "[y]our specific choice of major matters far less than the knowledge and skills you gain through all your studies and experiences in college. In terms of jobs, employers don't hire majors. They hire individuals with potential to succeed over the long term and add value to their companies or organizations." The study of philosophy, one of the oldest and most rigorous disciplines, provides students with critical thinking, writing, and arguing skills necessary to succeed in today's competitive working environments.

#### **Total Program Credits: 60**

Gen	eral Education	n Requirements:	35 Credits
	ENGL 1010	Introduction to Academic Writing CC	3
or	ENGH 1005	Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC (5)	
	ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
Com	plete one of the	ne following:	3
	MAT 1030	Quantitative Reasoning QL (3) (recommended for Humanities or Arts majors)	
	MAT 1035	Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL (6)	
	STAT 1040	Introduction to Statistics QL (3) (recommended for Social Science majors)	
	STAT 1045	Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL (5)	
	MATH 1050	College Algebra QL (4) (recommended for Business, Education, Science, and Health Professions majors)	
	MATH 1055	College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5)	
	MATH 1090	College Algebra for Business QL (3) (recommended for Business majors)	
Complete one of the following:			3
	HIST 2700	US History to 1877 AS (3)	
and	HIST 2710	US History since 1877 AS (3)	
	HIST 1700	American Civilization AS (3)	
	HIST 1740	US Economic History AS (3)	

	POLS 1000	American Heritage SS (3)		
	POLS 1100	American National Government AS (3)		
Cor	nplete the follo	wing:		
	PHIL 2050	Ethics and Values IH	3	
	HLTH 1100	Personal Health and Wellness TE (2)		
or	EXSC 1097	Fitness for Life TE	2	
Dist	ribution Cours	es:		
	Biology	3		
	Physical Scie	3		
	Additional Bio	3		
	Humanities D	3		
	Fine Arts Distribution		3	
	Social/Behav	ioral Science	3	
Disc	Discipline Core Requirements:			
Cor	nplete the follo	wing:		
	PHIL 1000	Introduction to Philosophy HH	3	
	PHIL 120R	Philosophy Forum	1	
	PHIL 1610	Introduction to Western Religions HH	3	
or	PHIL 1620	Introduction to Eastern Religions HH		
	PHIL 2000	Formal Logic I	3	
	PHIL 2110	Ancient Greek Philosophy HH WE	3	
	PHIL 2150	Early Modern Philosophy HH	3	
Elec	Elective Requirements:			
	Same Foreig	8		
	Any course 1	1		

#### **Graduation Requirements:**

- 1. Completion of a minimum of 60 semester credits.
- 2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above. (Departments may require a higher GPA.)
- Residency hours--minimum of 20 credit hours through course attendance at UVU.
- 4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
- 5. For the AA degree, completion of 8 credit hours of course work from one language.

# Philosophy, A.A. *Graduation Plan*

This graduation plan is a sample plan and is intended to be a guide. Your specific plan may differ based on your Math and English placement and/or transfer credits applied. You are encouraged to meet with an advisor and set up an individualized graduation plan in Wolverine Track.

Semester 1	Course Title	Credit Hours	
ENGL 1010 or ENGH 1005	Introduction to Academic Writing CC or Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC	3	
American Institu	American Institutions - AS		
HLTH 1100 or EXSC 1097	Personal Health and Wellness TE or Fitness for Life TE	2	
PHIL 1000	Introduction to Philosophy HH	3	
Elective:		1	
	Semester total:	12	
Semester 2	Course Title	Credit Hours	
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3	
MAT 1030 or 1035 or STAT 1040 or 1045 or MATH 1050 or 1055 or 1090	Quantitative Reasoning QL or Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL or Introduction to Statistics QL or Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL or College Algebra QL or College Algebra with Preliminaries QL or College Algebra for Business QL	3	
Fine Arts Distrib	ution	3	
Humanities Dist	ribution	3	
Language Course 1020			
	Semester total:	16	
Semester 3	Course Title	Credit Hours	
PHIL 2050 or 205G or 205H	Ethics and Values IH GI	3	
Biology Distribution		3	
PHIL 2110	Ancient Greek Philosophy HH WE	3	
Phil 1610 or PHIL 1620	Introduction to Western Religions HH or Introduction to Eastern Religions HH	3	
Foreign Language 2010			
	Semester total:	16	
Semester 4	Course Title	Credit Hours	
Physical Science	Physical Science Distribution		
Third Science Distribution		3	
PHIL 2150	Early Modern Philosophy HH	3	
Social/Behavioral Science Distribution			
PHIL 2000	Formal Logic I	3	
PHIL 120R	Philosophy Forum	1	
	Semester total:	16	
	Degree total:	60	