

**Area of Study: Art, Humanities and Social Sciences**  
**Pathway: Philosophy and Logic**  
**Degree type: Associate in Arts**  
**Curriculum Code: BES.PHL.AA (U224A38)**

(Total Program Credits: 60)

Philosophy is the study of the very possibility of our knowledge. It provides the intellectual tools to approach specific questions in the humanities, the sciences and religion and it explores what it means to be human at a very basic level, asking questions such as "who am I?" "How can I be sure of my knowledge of the world?" "What is the right thing to do?" At Triton College students in the Philosophy and Logic pathway to develop critical thinking skills while satisfying virtually all the general education requirements to transfer to a four-year institution pursuing any major. Students who are specifically interested in an academic career in Philosophy will be mentored by the program's instructors and skills for guided towards a successful transfer.

**PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES:**

Upon successful completion of the Associate in Arts Degree (Philosophy and Logic) emphasis, the graduate will be able to:

- define core terms and concepts that are critical to philosophical discourse;
- identify major thinkers and theorists across disciplines;
- delineate the vast array of philosophical orientations from around the globe and across eras;
- analyze contemporary issues using sound reasoning and critical thinking;
- compare major philosophical inquiries for critical appraisal or application;
- articulate their personal philosophical positions with cogency; and
- defend their personal positions through effective utilization of information from across disciplines.

**Placement Measures** MAT, RHT, and COL sequence placement will be determined by an Academic Advisor.

Contact your Academic Advisor before registering for courses.

*Developmental education courses do not transfer. They assist students in the path towards college credit.*

**Program Map for Full-Time Students**

Semester One: Fall	Category	Next Steps
RHT 101 Freshmen Rhetoric & Composition I (3)	<i>Communication</i>	Meet with your <a href="#">Academic Advisor</a> to create an academic plan.  Explore transfer institutions and admissions requirements by attending <a href="#">transfer events</a> .
PSY 100 Introduction to Psychology (3) Or other Social and Behavioral Science General Education Course (3)	<i>Social and Behavioral Science</i>	
MAT 101 Quantitative Literacy (3) Or MAT 102 Liberal Arts Mathematics (3)	<i>Mathematics</i>	
PHL 101 Introduction to Philosophy (3)	<i>Humanities</i>	
Program Elective (3)	<i>Elective</i>	

15 Credit Hours

**Note:** Grade of “C” or higher is an IAI requirement for RHT 101◊ and RHT 102◊.

Semester Two: Spring	Category	Next Steps
RHT 102 Freshman Rhetoric & Composition II (3)	<i>Communication</i>	Meet with your <a href="#">Academic Advisor</a> to update your academic and transfer plan.
<i>Life Science General Education Course (3-5)</i>	<i>Life Science</i> <sup>3</sup>	
PHL 105 World Religions (3)	<i>Humanities</i> <sup>1</sup>	Create a <a href="#">Transferology</a> account to explore how coursework transfers. Attend a <a href="#">Transfer 101 Workshop</a> .
SOC 100 Introduction to Sociology (3) Or other <i>Social and Behavioral Science General Education Course (3)</i>	<i>Social and Behavioral Science</i> <sup>2</sup>	
PHL 103 Ethics (3)	<i>Program Elective</i>	

15-17 Credit Hours

**Note:** Grade of “C” or higher is an IAI requirement for RHT 101◊ and RHT 102◊.

Semester Three: Fall	Category	Next Steps
SPE 101 Principles of Effective Speaking (3)	<i>Communication</i>	Meet with your <a href="#">Academic Advisor</a> to update your academic and transfer plan.
<i>Social and Behavioral Science General Education Course (3)</i>	<i>Social and Behavioral Science</i> <sup>2</sup>	
<i>Fine Arts General Education Course (3)</i>	<i>Fine Arts</i>	Attend a <a href="#">Ready to Apply Workshop</a> .  <b>GECC Credential Achieved.</b>
<i>Physical Science General Education Course (3-5)</i>	<i>Physical Science</i> <sup>3</sup>	
Program Elective (3) Or Foreign Language (4)	<i>Elective</i>	

15-18 Credit Hours

Semester Four: Spring	Category	Next Steps
Program Elective (3) Or Foreign Language (4)	<i>Elective</i>	Meet with your <a href="#">Academic Advisor</a> to finalize your transfer plan.
Program Elective (3)	<i>Elective</i>	
Program Elective (3)	<i>Elective</i>	Submit graduation petition by deadline (check for the specific date in catalog or syllabi.)  Apply to your transfer institution(s).
Program Elective (3)	<i>Elective</i>	
Program Electives (3)	<i>Elective</i>	

15-16 Credit Hours

<b>Program Electives in Philosophy (up to 15)</b>
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PHL 102 Logic (3) PHL 103 Ethics (3) PHL 104 Social and Political Philosophy (3) PHL 113 Environmental Ethics (3) PHL 296 Special Topics in Philosophy. (3) <i>May transfer depending on topic.</i>	
<b>Program Electives outside Philosophy</b> <i>May be used as Program Elective or in place of some General Education Courses</i>	
<b>History and Culture Track</b>	<b>Self and Society Track</b>
ART 111 Ancient to Medieval Art (3) ART 112 Renaissance to Modern Art (3) HIS 121 History of Western Civilization I (3) HIS 141 World History I (3) HIS 142 World History II (30) HUM 165 Introduction to Latin American Experience (3) HUM 170 Introduction to Women's & Gender Studies (3)	GEO 104 Contemporary World Cultures (3) ECO 102 ECO 102 Macroeconomics (3) HUM 170 Introduction to Women's & Gender Studies (3) PSC 120 Principles of Political Science (3) PSC 184 Global Politics (3) PSY 201 Introduction to Social Psychology (3) SOC 131 Social Problems (3) SOC 225 Racial & Cultural Minorities (3)

*(Select courses that meet the BA requirements of your transfer college.)*

**Note:** Recommended electives include courses in the Social and Behavioral Sciences, Humanities, Mathematics, Foreign Languages and Fine Arts.

### Graduation Requirements

#### General Education requirements:

AA degree

**Subtotal: 37-40**

**Philosophy and Logic courses or other electives toward the AA degree**

**Subtotal: 20-23**

#### General Education requirements by discipline:

1. **Communications:** Three courses (nine semester hours).
2. **Humanities and Fine Arts:** Three courses (nine semester hours), with at least one course from selected from Humanities and at least one course from the Fine Arts.
3. **Social and Behavioral Science:** Three courses (nine semester hours), with courses selected from at least two disciplines.

*Graduation from an Illinois college or university requires satisfactory completion of one or more courses incorporating Human Diversity, which may be taken as a Humanities and Fine Arts or Social and Behavioral Science course.*

4. **Mathematics:** One course (three semester hours).
5. **Physical and Life Science:** Two courses (seven to eight semester hours), with one course selected from the Life Sciences and one course from the Physical Sciences, including at least one laboratory course.

**Foreign Language encouraged if transferring.**

*See PHL course descriptions.*

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