

PREPARING FOR A MAJOR IN PHILOSOPHY

WHAT IS PHILOSOPHY?

Philosophy asks fundamental questions about how we can improve our critical thinking methods and how we can effectively evaluate the paradigms upon which we build our belief systems. Philosophy examines ancient thinkers and their ideas as well as contemporary scholars and their contributions to the discipline.

CAREERS IN PHILOSOPHY

• Economist

Lawyer

Mathmetician

- News Analyst, Reporter, Correspondent
- Public Interest Advocate

For more Career Resources to help you explore the possibilities, see the other side.

WHAT DEGREE DO I GET AT WWCC?

For transferring to a university to pursue a major in Philosophy, you may want to complete an Associate in Arts-DTA at WWCC. Below are recommended courses to prepare you for this major. Check out www.wwcc.edu/associateinarts for specific degree requirements.

RECOMMENDED COURSES

Every university and major may require slightly different prerequisites. It is highly recommended that you speak with a representative at the future institution to identify specific prerequisite coursework or other requirements to be ready for your major (eg-minimum GPA requirements) and work with your advisor to develop an Education Plan including proper courses. The courses listed below are recommended only, completion of these courses does not guarantee admissions to institutions or programs.

COMMUNICATIONS (13 CREDITS REQUIRED)	QUANTITATIVE (5 CREDITS REQUIRED)
 ENGL&101-Composition I ENGL&102-Composition II Select a Communications course with your Advisor. 	Select a College-Level Math course with your Advisor.
HUMANITIES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)	SOCIAL SCIENCES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)
PHIL&101-Intro to PhilosophySelect two more Humanities courses with your Advisor, one course must be a literature course.	 HIST&126-World Civilization I OR HIST105-Roots of World Issues Select two other Social Science courses with your Advisor.
NATURAL SCIENCES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)	ELECTIVES (24 CREDITS REQUIRED)
Select 3 Natural Science courses with your Advisor.	PHIL&131-Introduction to Ethics PHIL&115-Critical Thinking
The AA degree requires an additional 3 credits for Physical Activity courses, First Year Experience, and a Diversity course for completion.	PHIL&152-Social and Political PhilosophySelect other electives with your Advisor.

Important Notes:

While an advisor is available to help research and plan courses, it is the student's responsibility to research and communicate with schools and programs to which they intend to apply to verify prerequisites and requirements as these vary and are subject to change.

SOME SCHOOLS WITH A PHILOSOPHY PROGRAM:

- Boise State University
- Central Washington University
- Eastern Washington University

- Oregon State University
- Portland State University
- University of Washington

Washington State University

This is general guide for planning purposes and does not include specific dates for specific schools; that information must be obtained from your prospective colleges and universities. There are more schools offering a major in Philosophy. For more Transfer Tips and Resources including schools with this pathway, see the other side or visit www.wwcc.edu/transfer-center/programs

CAREER RESOURCES

American Philosophical Association - www.apaonline.org

For more information and resources, please visit our Career website at: www.wwcc.edu/career-services

TRANSFER TIPS & RESOURCES

Please visit the Transfer Center at www.wwcc.edu/transfer

By the end of the First year or 3rd quarter.....

- ✓ Select a major or area of study and select the appropriate WWCC degree to meet your goals
- ✓ Narrow your potential transfer schools to 3-5 schools
- ✓ Make a list of transfer requirements for your school(s) and major
- ✓ With your advisor, draw up an education plan to plot out the courses for degree completion and major readiness

Other things to do:

- Talk with college representatives that visit WWCC
- Contact an advisor at the transfer institution in which you are interested, make sure your education plan will work for the major
- Visit the campus (if applicable) of your potential transfer school
- Fill out interest cards to receive information from schools
- Apply for TRiO and/or the Honors program if eligible

In the Second Year....

Fall

- ✓ Apply for admissions to your transfer school(s) of choice, (providing copies of official transcripts from all schools you have attended)
- Contact an advisor at your prospective transfer school
- Research scholarship eligibility and deadlines, prepare to apply

Winter

- ✓ Complete the FAFSA and additional financial aid material required by your transfer school
- ✓ Complete scholarship applications
- ✓ Start considering housing options at your transfer school
- ✓ Apply for your degree at WWCC

Spring

- ✓ Complete graduation requirements for WWCC
- ✓ Accept/reject university offers
- ✓ Apply for housing (If needed)
- Request final transcript from WWCC after grades and degree(s) are posted
- ✓ Attend an Orientation session at transfer institution

FALL	WINTER	Spring	Summer
Fall	WINTER	Spring	Summer
FALL	Winter	Spring	Summer
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