Instructional Programs

Note: Every effort has been made to keep program information current. Please use this information as a guide and consult with the chair of the department/program or an MSJC counselor.

Philosophy

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Degree(s)

Transfer:
None
See:
A.A. in Liberal Arts

Non-Transfer:
None
See:
A.A. in Humanities

Certificate(s)
None

Employment Concentration Certificate(s)
None
**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

Philosophy courses provide lower division preparation for those who plan to major in Philosophy at a university. Comprehensive survey course content along with substantive courses in logic, ethics and comparative religion are designed to acquaint students with the distinctive nature of philosophical ideas and to help increase skills in critical thinking about matters of fundamental philosophical concerns, the nature of correct reasoning, the scope and limits of human knowledge, the generic and pervasive characteristics of reality and the sources of value and obligation. Philosophy courses meet general education requirements and also provide a foundation of lifelong learning.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

No award available for this program.

**TRANSFER PREPARATION**

MSJC offers a range of course work to prepare students to transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree in this program might not be the same as those required for transfer into the major at a four year university. All four-year institutions prescribe their own standards for course evaluation and admissions. Prospective transfer students are advised to research careers, degrees and majors in the Career/Transfer Center, access www.assist.org, review the MSJC catalog and meet with a counselor to expedite their transfer plan.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Identify and assess the central figures, questions and themes of philosophy.
- Analyze and assess arguments and approaches to philosophical problems.
- Articulate and defend complex arguments using written and oral communication.