

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES, AND TRANSFER PREPARATION INFORMATION

PHILOSOPHY

Programs in philosophy are designed to develop the reasoning skills needed to understand and evaluate beliefs about man, society, reality, knowledge, truth, values, etc. Skills in thinking and problem solving, research, writing, criticism, and analysis are emphasized. Philosophy programs provide a background for fields such as law, theology, journalism, business, or public service. Some students earn graduate degrees to become college philosophy teachers.

Programs Offered

- Transfer Preparation
- See also *Liberal Arts – Arts and Humanities*

Transfer Preparation

Many colleges/universities offer baccalaureate degrees in this field. Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete the lower-division major requirements and the general education pattern for the specific transfer institution. SMC has articulation agreements with the many UC and CSU campuses, as well as several private and out-of-state institutions.

Exact major requirements for UC and CSU campuses can be found online at assist.org.

A listing of private, nonprofit California colleges and universities can be found online at aiccu.edu. For articulation agreements between SMC and some of these institutions see smc.edu/articulation.

The University of California system has a transfer pathway for any UC campus that offers Philosophy. For more information, visit UC Transfer Pathways Guide.