

Philosophy A-Level Part 1

Summary

This course delves into some of life's fundamental questions - about existence, knowledge and ethics. You'll deepen your understanding of human beings and free will and consider questions about God's existence and what knowledge is. This course also improves transferable skills, such as independent studies and the ability to explore and evaluate concepts.

PET offers A-Levels in two parts. For this course, you will not have the option to take the AS exam at the end of Part 1. After completing Part 1, you should apply for Part 2. Having completed both parts you can then take the full A-level exams which will cover everything learned in Part 1 and Part 2.

You will need to apply for each part separately. You can start an A-level at any time of the year, but exams usually take place in June.

Before making your application, please speak to PET or your education department to find out if your prison can hold A-level exams as many cannot facilitate this. Alternatively, you might be able to take the exams on Release on Temporary Licence (ROTL) or after your release - we will be happy to advise you further on this.

Course Provider	National Extension College (NEC) Woolpack House, 70 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ 01223 400200 pet@nec.ac.uk
Qualification Accreditation	AQA A-Level ((Exams can only be taken at AQA registered centres)
Academic level	3
PET entry requirements	Level 2 English
Format of course material	Paper Based Only + Textbooks
Structure of course	<p>Five Lessons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction to Epistemology 2. Perception as a Source of Knowledge 3. Reason as a Source of Knowledge 4. Normative Ethical Theories 5. Meta-ethics and Applied Ethics
Assignments	<p>Five written assignments. These do not count towards the final grade and are used to check progress and understanding.</p> <p>All materials including assignments are sent at the beginning of the course. Tutors will aim to</p>

	mark and return assignments with feedback within 5 working days of submission for marking.
Exams	No exam. Having completed both this course and Part 2, you can then take the full A-level exams which will cover everything learned in Part 1 and Part 2.
Estimated completion time	150 hours
Maximum course duration	24 months
Prison support requirements	Support assessment submission (ideally scan to the tutor or post). It is recommended to make copies in case assignments get lost; contact supplier for tutor support or more info on assignment submission; contact supplier for more info on assignment submission. See contact details are above in the 'Course provider' section.
Supplier tutor's support	Tutors give support by providing feedback on learners' work and answering their queries. Occasionally providing extra resources.
Certificate	Course provider course completion certificate is available upon request.
Progress	The A-Level Part 2 is a popular follow-up to Part 1, but please contact us if you need advice about other options. Call our free Advice Line on 0800 048 7520 on Tuesdays (10-12pm and 2-4pm) and Thursdays (10am-12pm and 2-6pm).