



DOMINICAN SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY & THEOLOGY

at the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, California

Transcript Guide

ACCREDITATION

The Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology (DSPT) has been chartered by the State of California since 1932 as a degree-granting institution of higher education. The original name is the College of St. Albert the Great, which was changed in 1978. DSPT is accredited by both the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and the Association of Theological Schools and Colleges in the United States and Canada.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

DSPT follows a semester system, with a January Intersession and a Summer Session. Prior to fall 1983, DSPT operated on a quarter system.

GRADING SYSTEM

All credit units for courses are semester units. Grade Point Average (GPA) is computed on a 4.0 quality-point scale as follows:

Grade	Quality Points per Credit Unit	Definition
A, A+	4.0	Excellent
A-	3.7	
B+	3.3	
B	3.0	
B-	2.7	
C+	2.3	Good
C	2.0	
C-	1.7	
D	1.0	Acceptable
F	0.0	
PASS	Not Counted (NC)	C or Above
FAIL	NC	Below C
AUD	NC	Audit
I	NC	Incomplete
IP	NC	In Progress
NC	NC	No Credit
NR	NC	No Report
W	NC	Withdrawn

IN PROGRESS "IP" NOTATIONS

The "IP" notation is given in the first semester of a two-semester course. A final grade is assigned upon completion of the entire course. "IP" may also be assigned for "In Thesis" "Comprehensive Examination" units until the thesis or exam is complete.

TRANSFER CREDITS

Transfer credits are noted by the institution and the number of units accepted.

MASTER of ARTS (PHILOSOPHY) or MASTER of ARTS (THEOLOGY)

Thesis Option

This degree represents the completion of 42 units of coursework, the fulfillment of a foreign language proficiency requirement, and the writing and oral defense of a thesis, for which an additional six units are awarded.

Non-Thesis Option, Option II, or Integral Emphasis

For the MA (Philosophy), *non-thesis* option, this represents 45 units of coursework, along with the successful completion of a comprehensive examination, plus a Philosophy Colloquium, for which an additional 3 units are awarded.

For the MA (Theology) degree, this option represents the completion of 42 units of course work as well as a project or a comprehensive examination and discussion, for which an additional 6 units are awarded. The project may be either academic or practical.

COURSE LEVELS

Course levels defined by the following numbering system:

0001-0999	Undergraduate courses
1000-1999	Introductory Graduate courses
2000-3999	Intermediate Graduate courses
4000-4999	Advanced Graduate courses
5000-5999	Doctoral courses (MA/PhD students)
6000-6999	Doctoral courses (PhD students)
8000-8999	Online courses

Special Reading Course Numbers:

SRC 7777 represents a course offered at the Undergraduate level to accommodate either students in the BA (Philosophy) program (discontinued in Spring 2010) or graduate students who require a prerequisite for a DSPT graduate program.

SRC 9999 is a graduate-level directed reading course arranged on an individual basis by agreement between student and professor.

TRANSCRIPT AUTHENTICITY

The transcript is official only when each page is embossed with the seal of the School and signed by the Registrar or Academic Dean.

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