Effective communication is essential for nearly any human endeavor. Your ability to convey ideas, share opinions and influence behavior are critical skills that directly affect professional and personal lives. This program prepares you to communicate successfully with various audiences across a variety of settings.

**Program Description**

The communication program prepares students to do far more than give a speech or two in front of their peers. It provides an extensive understanding of the practical, theoretical and professional distinctions of today’s field of communication and equips students with the skills they need to convey complex ideas clearly and effectively through both the spoken and written word.

In the nationally recognized CommLabASU, this program trains and prepares students for in-depth study into what contributes to and detracts from effective human communication, recognizing that the art of communication is far more nuanced than simple speaking and writing prowess.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: West campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150% of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees. Students should click the link for more information and eligibility requirements of the WUE program.

**At a Glance**

- **College/School:** [New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [West WUE at ASU at Lake Havasu](#)
- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
• **First Required Math Course:** Any math course that meets the MA designation.
• **Math Intensity:** General

## Required Courses (Major Map)

2022 - 2023 Major Map  
Major Map (Archives)

## Concurrent Program Options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

## Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an accelerated bachelor's and master's degree with:

- Communication Studies, MA
- English, MA
- Interdisciplinary Studies, MA
- Social Justice and Human Rights, MA

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students are advised by their academic departments to apply.

## Admission Requirements

**General University Admission Requirements:**  
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.  
First-year | Transfer | International | Readmission

## Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to [https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) for information about how to change a major to this program.

## Transfer Options
ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use MyPath2ASU™ to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU.

**Global Opportunities**

**Global Experience**
Communication students gain intercultural experience through tailored study abroad programs. Students improve language and cross-cultural skills for effective communication, develop critical teamwork and problem-solving skills and expand their knowledge of the liberal arts through lenses of different cultures. There are opportunities for study across the globe, including in Spain, Australia, the United Kingdom and a semester at sea. More information is available on the Global Education website: https://goglobal.asu.edu/.

**Career Opportunities**
Graduates are trained in effective communication skills, are able to speak and write well, can convey complex ideas effectively, and are able to perform various forms of data analysis, communication assessment and technical reporting. They are prepared for employment in communication-intensive fields and for further graduate study in the social sciences, law, humanities and management. Graduates work in communications-intensive fields such as:

- advertising
- community education
- corporate communications
- crisis management
- customer service and customer relations
- health communication
- human resources management
- media and public relations
- new media
- social media
- training and development

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.
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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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