Interdisciplinary Arts and Performance, BA

Start your career with nationally and internationally known IAP faculty and create works of art showcased at ArtSpace West, perform under the lights of Second Stage West, direct short films, develop new sounds in the music studio, and engage with the latest design and technology in digital games.

Program Description

The BA program in interdisciplinary arts and performance has been celebrated in the most recent Oxford Handbook of Interdisciplinarity as the leading academic program in defining the interdisciplinary arts. Throughout the curriculum, emphasis is that interdisciplinary arts be outwardly and continually inclusive, expanding, evolving and innovative, which allows students the ability to shape their own creative pathways.

Students in both the online and immersion programs engage with nationally and internationally known faculty in collaborative investigation of many artistic disciplines in preparation for the complex and changing world through current approaches to aesthetic innovation.

Students in this major engage in practical and theoretical studies of visual, sonic, performance, game and interactive arts to become versatile artists.

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 or Online, ASU Local

• **Additional Program Fee:** No  
• **Second Language Requirement:** No  
• **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics  
• **Math Intensity:** General

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**Required Courses (Major Map)**

2022 - 2023 Major Map (On-campus)  
2022 - 2023 Major Map (Online)  
Major Map (Archives)

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**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.

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**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.

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**Admission Requirements**

**General University Admission Requirements:**

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.  
First-year | Transfer | International | Readmission

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**Change of Major Requirements**
A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

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

**Attend Online**

**ASU Online**

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program description and request more information here.

**ASU Local**

It is now possible to earn an ASU degree with ASU Local, an integrated college experience in which students take advantage of in-person success coaching and programming experiences on site while completing one of 130+ undergraduate online degree programs, all of which come with online faculty interaction and tutoring support. Those interested may learn more about ASU Local here.

**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**

Performance and art transcend the boundaries of language and culture. Through unique study abroad experiences, interdisciplinary arts and performance students are able to deepen their understanding of their field and gain a global lens on the influence of culture on their art. Students can achieve heightened cultural competency, communication and critical thinking skills in any of the over 250 study abroad programs available. More information is available on the Global Education website. https://goglobal.asu.edu/

**Career Opportunities**
Graduates of the interdisciplinary arts and performance program have received extensive preparation for advanced education or careers as artists, performers and creative professionals. They have a solid foundation on which to pursue their dream in their chosen creative field. With skill sets that prepare them for professional and entrepreneurial opportunities, graduates tap into evolving professions and the expanding field of art practice.

Since 1992, graduates of the Bachelor of Arts program in interdisciplinary arts and performance have gone on to many different occupations, such as:

- art administrator
- arts writer, scholar and critic
- composer and sound artist
- digital designer
- film and video editor
- recording artist
- theatre artist
- video and board game designer
- videographer
- visual artist in multiple mediums

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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<th>Career</th>
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<td>Actor</td>
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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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