

Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences, BA

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Today's employment landscape is evolving into one that values expertise in an increasing number of specialized fields. Gain invaluable skills in a number of distinct areas that interest you while pursuing a fulfilling life and career you are passionate about.

Program description

The BA program in interdisciplinary arts and sciences allows students to build a flexible, customized degree that is personalized to their specific career goals.


Students tailor their programs to emphasize interdisciplinary study combined with a specific area of concentration (e.g., business, communication studies, English, gerontology, history, psychology or preprofessional studies). For example, a business degree with an emphasis in communications can lead to employment opportunities that aren't as easily accessed by a traditional business degree alone. By providing the opportunity to combine disciplines, New College equips students with the specialized education they need to reach their individual career goals.

This degree program culminates in a capstone experience that provides practical perspective, skills and connections, creating versatile graduates ready for graduate school or the corporate world.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: West Valley 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 Valley](#) **WUE**

- **Second language requirement:** No
- **First required math course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
or any math course that meets the MATH designation
- **Math intensity:** General 

Required courses (Major Map)

[2024 - 2025 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 plus master's degree** with:

[Communication Studies, MA](#)

[English, MA](#)

[Global Management, MGM](#)

[Interdisciplinary Studies, MA](#)

[Social Justice and Human Rights, MA](#)

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. Students typically receive approval to pursue the accelerated master's during the junior year of their bachelor's degree program. Interested students can learn about eligibility requirements and [how to apply](#).

Admission requirements

General university admission requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

[First-year](#) | [Transfer](#) | [International](#) | [Readmission](#)

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Change of Major Requirements

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

Students should visit the [Change of Major form](#) 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.

Global opportunities

Global experience

[Studying abroad](#) allows students to gain valuable, unforgettable experiences that will enhance their resumes. With more than 300 study abroad programs, students are able to tailor their experience to their personal goals and skill sets. Students in the interdisciplinary arts and sciences program gain heightened cultural competency, communication and critical thinking skills when studying abroad --- skills that prepare them to lead in a future-focused career.

Career opportunities

Graduates are prepared to make the transition smoothly to graduate school or postbaccalaureate employment in:

- business settings
- community settings
- cultural settings
- educational settings
- social sciences and human service settings

Those who plan to pursue graduate or professional degrees in law, business, helping professions or in traditional disciplines benefit from the flexibility of this program that prepares them for a broad range of future academic and career pursuits.

Example job titles and salaries listed below are not necessarily entry level, and students should take into consideration how years of experience and geographical location may affect pay scales. Some jobs also may require advanced degrees, certifications or state-specific licensure.

Career	*Growth	*Median salary
<u>Advocate</u> ☀	8.6%	\$38,520
<u>Biological Technician</u> ☀	4.7%	\$49,650
<u>Business Intelligence Analyst</u> ☀	35.2%	\$103,500
<u>Human Behavior Researcher</u> ☀	4.8%	\$50,470
<u>Political Analyst</u> ☀	6.6%	\$128,020
<u>Production Assistant</u>	4.3%	\$65,000
<u>Public Relations Specialist</u> ☀	6.1%	\$67,440
<u>Religious Leader</u>	0.6%	\$55,550
<u>Technical Writer</u> ☀	6.9%	\$79,960
<u>Urban Planner</u>	3.7%	\$79,540

* 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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