Social Justice and Human Rights, BA

Do you want to be an advocate for social justice and the protection of human rights? Through this program at ASU's West campus, you can prepare for a rewarding future advocating for victims and survivors of human trafficking, domestic abuse and disaster relief, and for migrant populations.

**Program Description**

The BA program in social justice and human rights at ASU’s New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences spans both the social sciences and the humanities to prepare students to meet the challenges of 21st century issues of social justice and protection of human rights in local, national, international and global contexts.

Coursework prepares students to serve as advocates for alleviating political, economic and social inequality. The degree program introduces students to principles and practices of everyday humanitarianism, multimedia advocacy and theories and practices of social justice and human rights.

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 campus WUE or Online, ASU Local
- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
• First Required Math Course: MAT 142 - College Mathematics
• Math Intensity: General

Required Courses (Major Map)

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

Global Management, MGM
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.

Freshman | 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 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**

Students are able to deepen their understanding of global human rights through study abroad. With over 250 programs available, study abroad allows students to tailor their educational experience to their unique interests and skill sets. Students can explore the influence of culture, law, race and religion on a global scale in order to prepare them to make an impact for social justice and human rights. More information on available programs can be found on the Global Education website. https://goglobal.asu.edu/

**Career Opportunities**

Graduates with this degree are employable in a variety of settings, including refugee resettlement agencies; agencies and shelters supporting survivors of domestic abuse; shelters for migrants, especially for unaccompanied minors; disaster relief agencies; organizations assisting survivors of sex trafficking and human labor trafficking; and agencies assisting veterans. Career opportunities include:

- charitable fundraiser (e.g., Nina M. Pulliam Charitable Trust staff)
- grant writer
- humanitarian aid worker (e.g., U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights aid worker, Oxfam aid worker)
• human rights lawyer
• international governmental organization professional (e.g., United Nations staff)
• investigative journalist
• lobbyist for human rights and social justice causes
• nongovernmental organization professional (e.g., Amnesty International professional)
• nonprofit agency manager (e.g., Special Olympics Arizona, international manager)
• public policy researcher

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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