Secondary Education (Physical Education), BAE

ASU is no longer accepting new students to this program. Students interested in teaching physical education should apply to the Physical Education BAE.

Help ensure that future generations have the skills and knowledge to lead physically active and healthy lives. Coursework paired with internships and residencies will allow you to obtain teacher certification after graduation and start a career in a high-demand specialty in education.

Program Description

The BAE program in secondary education with a concentration in physical education prepares students to successfully teach quality physical education programs to learners in preK-12.

The curriculum directly aligns with national beginning teacher standards of The Society of Health and Physical Education Teachers of America (SHAPE America). Students take foundational coursework in the areas of growth and motor development, movement activities and lifelong physical fitness. The coursework covers elementary, secondary and adaptive physical education methods, including topics such as instructional design, lesson planning and modifications and accommodations for preK-12 learners. Students will build skills in cultivating a positive and productive learning environment, assessing, monitoring and reporting progress, as well as conducting themselves as responsible and ethical professionals.

Extensive professional experiences are built into this program to prepare candidates to enter the teaching profession after graduation. Students complete internships prior to a full-time teaching residency that takes place senior year. Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College has developed a team-based approach to teacher-preparation, allowing students to participate in internships and residencies with a team of peers while receiving guidance and support from faculty members and highly qualified certified teachers. Team-based professional experiences are designed to prepare students to work with mutually supportive colleagues to address the academic and social-emotional needs of learners.
Graduates earn an institutional recommendation from ASU for Arizona teacher certification in Secondary Education, and an endorsement in physical education, preK-12, from the Arizona Department of Education. To be eligible for secondary certification in Arizona, students must receive a passing score on the professional knowledge exam offered through the National Evaluation Series or Arizona Educator Proficiency Assessments.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College](#)
- **Location:** Polytechnic
- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 117 - College Algebra or MAT 142 College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** General

Required Courses (Major Map)

[2021 - 2022 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.

Admission Requirements

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

**Additional Requirements:**
Students are admitted to the preprofessional status and must complete additional requirements for entrance to the professional status. Students should see the department website for more information.
Tuition Information

When it comes to paying for college, 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

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
As health and wellness become a priority in society, future physical education teachers can enhance their degree by seeing how nutrition and exercise are experienced in different cultures around the world. Students can complete an internship overseas, study abroad for a summer, or spend academic breaks on a program in another country. Students should visit the Global Education website to explore programs.

Career Opportunities

Graduates of Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College are highly sought out teachers in public, charter and private education institutions. Many graduates with degrees in physical education also work as coaches, fitness instructors or with organizations dedicated to improving health and wellness.

Professional Licensure

ASU programs that may lead to professional licensure or certification are intended to prepare students for potential licensure or certification in Arizona. Completion of an ASU program may not meet educational requirements for licensure or certification in another state. For more information, students should visit the ASU professional licensure webpage.