

Civil Engineering (Sustainable Engineering), BSE

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Program description

Civil engineering majors have two options within the accredited BSE program: civil engineering and civil engineering with sustainable engineering concentration. Regardless of choice, the Bachelor of Science in Engineering in civil engineering is accredited by ABET.

The bachelor's degree in civil engineering with a concentration in sustainable engineering incorporates systems modeling and life cycle approaches to assessing the resiliency and material selection across all areas of urban infrastructure or built environment currently addressed within the civil engineering degree. The program is designed to provide students with exposure to material from several disciplines that comply with the principles of economic, social and ecological sustainability and apply these principles to traditional civil engineering areas.

Accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of ABET, <http://www.abet.org/>, under the General Criteria and the Civil Engineering Program Criteria.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe](#)
- **Second language requirement:** No
- **First required math course:** MAT 265 - Calculus for Engineers I
- **Math intensity:** Substantial 

Required courses (Major Map)

[2024 - 2025 Major Map](#)

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:

[Civil, Environmental and Sustainable Engineering, MS](#)

[Construction Engineering, MSE](#)

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](#)

Additional requirements:

The admission standards for majors in the Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering, shown below, are higher than minimum university admission standards. International students must meet the same admission standards, with the possible additional requirement of a minimum [English language proficiency](#) test score. If the university requires an English proficiency test score from the applicant, then admission to engineering requires a minimum TOEFL iBT score of 79 (internet-based test, taken in a testing center), a minimum IELTS score of 6.5, a minimum PTE score of 58, a minimum Duolingo English score of 105, or a minimum Cambridge English exam score of 176.

First-year admission:

1. minimum 1210 SAT combined evidence-based reading and writing plus math score or minimum 24 ACT combined score, or a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 3.00 in ASU competency courses, or class ranking in top 25% of high school class, and
2. no high school math or science competency deficiencies

Transfer admission requirements:

Transfer students with fewer than 24 transferable college credit hours:

1. minimum transfer GPA of 3.00 for fewer than 24 transfer hours, and
2. no high school math or science competency deficiencies, and
3. minimum 1210 SAT combined evidence-based reading and writing plus math score (or 1140 if taken prior to March 5, 2016) or minimum 24 ACT combined score, or a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 3.00 in ASU competency courses, or class ranking in top 25% of high school class

Transfer students with 24 or more transferable college credit hours must meet either the primary or the secondary criteria (not both):

Primary criteria

1. minimum transfer GPA of 3.00 for 24 or more transfer hours, and
2. no high school math or science competency deficiencies (if ASU Admission Services requires submission of a high school transcript)

Secondary criteria

1. minimum transfer GPA of 2.75 for 24 or more transfer hours, and
2. minimum GPA of 3.00 in all critical courses for Terms 1 and 2 (see major map for critical courses)

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

[Admission requirements](#) for many majors in the Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering are higher than university admission standards.

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

With over 300 programs available, [study abroad](#) allows students to tailor their experience to their unique interests and skill sets. Students in sustainable engineering are able to gain hands-on experience in a variety of countries.

Graduates stand out in a competitive field when their resume is enhanced with the heightened cultural competency, and leadership and critical thinking skills they acquired while studying abroad. More information on available programs can be found on the Global Education website.

Career opportunities

Civil engineers with knowledge of sustainable engineering may find employment in many different types of companies, including large corporations and small, private consulting firms, as well as government agencies.

Civil engineering is one of the best engineering professions from the viewpoint of international travel opportunities or eventually establishing one's own consulting business.

Graduates of the program are prepared for the Fundamentals of Engineering examination, the Principles and Practice of Engineering examination, and graduate degree programs.

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 |
|--|---------|----------------|
| Civil Engineer ☀️ | 5.0% | \$89,940 |
| Environmental Engineer ☀️ | 6.1% | \$96,530 |
| Health and Safety Engineer | 3.7% | \$100,660 |
| Water/Wastewater Engineer ☀️ | 5.0% | \$89,940 |

* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).



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.

Students should note that not all programs within the Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering lead to professional licensure.

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