

# Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership, BA

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Do you want to help reshape society? With the skills you gain from this solid academic foundation, you'll leave ASU prepared to meet today's challenges --- whether you create foreign or domestic policy, build a nonprofit that strengthens communities or lead a business that impacts the lives of many.

## Program description

The BA program in civic and economic thought and leadership incorporates the study of political philosophy, economic thought, history and American politics.


Faculty teach using the Socratic method, which challenges students to analyze the complex topics impacting lives today. Students refine their ability to read closely, think analytically, write carefully and speak effectively.

Students have [internship opportunities](#) on Capitol Hill, in congressional offices in their district, with nonprofit organizations or in an area of their academic interest, enabling them to build their resume with professional experience and network with potential employers for after graduation. Global intensive experiences allow students to study in places such as Israel and the West Bank, India and South Africa. They also engage with world-renowned scholars who visit ASU through the school's public programs.

In addition to reviewing the guidelines in the Concurrent Program Options section below, students interested in pursuing concurrent or second baccalaureate degrees in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are advised to visit [The College's website](#) for more information and requirements.

## At a glance

- College/School: [The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](#)
- Location: [Tempe](#)

- **Second language requirement:** Yes
- **First required math course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **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:

[Classical Liberal Education and Leadership, 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

Students in the School of Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership have a variety of [global and domestic experiential courses](#) available to them. Whether they involve practicing leadership skills in a rural Indian village, visiting new democracies in Israel, or studying Aristotle in the Arizona mountains, all of these courses ask students to cultivate curiosity, excellence and leadership.

## Career opportunities

Graduates are inspired and prepared to lead and serve in civil society, public affairs or government.

Career paths that graduates might pursue include business, education, foreign service, government, law, politics, national security affairs and public office.

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
<a href="#">College Program Director</a>	3.5%	\$99,940
<a href="#">Economist</a> 🌟	6.3%	\$113,940
<a href="#">High School Teacher</a>	1.0%	\$62,360
<a href="#">Historian</a>	3.1%	\$64,540
<a href="#">Judge</a>	2.2%	\$151,030
<a href="#">Lawyer</a> 🌟	7.5%	\$135,740

<b><u>Mediator</u></b> ☀	5.0%	\$64,030
<b><u>Political Analyst</u></b> ☀	6.6%	\$128,020
<b><u>Politician</u></b>	3.4%	\$48,090
<b><u>Social Services Director</u></b> ☀	9.1%	\$74,240

\* 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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