Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership, BS

Whether your dream career includes helping to create foreign or domestic policy, building a nonprofit or leading a business, a degree in civic and economic thought and leadership indicates you're ready to meet the challenges.

Program Description

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

Faculty engage students through 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. The curriculum, combined with outside-the-classroom leadership experiences, prepares students with the broad, academic foundation they will use throughout their careers.

Students have the opportunity to intern on Capitol Hill, in congressional offices in their district, with nonprofits around the country or in an opportunity of their academic interest. They engage with world-renowned scholars and experts who visit ASU for large lectures and intimate seminars through the school's public programs and civic outreach initiatives, and they are able to apply for one of the school's Global Intensive Experiences, which study service and leadership in places such as Israel and the West Bank, India, and South Africa.

In addition to 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
Required Courses (Major Map)

2023 - 2024 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 college, everyoneâs 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 studying civic and economic thought and leadership gain valuable leadership and communication skills through unique study abroad experiences across the globe. Programs can be found in a variety of countries. When studying abroad, students expand their scope of learning beyond the classroom and gain hands-on experience in different and exciting cultures.

**Career Opportunities**

Graduates are inspired and prepared to lead and serve in civil society, public affairs or government, and the internships provide the practical professional experience that employers desire.

Some career paths graduates might pursue include business, education, government, law, politics, national security affairs and public office.

Career example titles and salaries listed below are not necessarily entry level, and students should take into consideration how years of experience, geographical location, and required advanced degrees or certifications may affect pay scales.

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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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**Contact Information**

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