Health Sciences, BS

Take the first step toward your future in health care. Acquire the knowledge and skills you'll need to enter the health care workforce, and earn many of the prerequisites needed for professional school.

Program description

In the BS program in health sciences, students learn about health care systems and how systems are financed and structured. Leadership and professionalism are highlighted, along with the role of providers in delivering evidence-based care, and students develop ethical and effective communication skills. Today's challenges are analyzed, leading graduates to develop innovative solutions.

Students choose focus areas in:

- community-based health outcomes
- health legislation and regulation
- health and media
- integrative care
- mental and behavioral health

A limited number of students each year may apply to pursue the echocardiography certificate through Mayo Clinic after taking prerequisite courses. Once the certificate is completed, students may transfer the credits to ASU and apply credits toward the bachelor's degree in health sciences. Interested students should seek advising before starting coursework.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [College of Health Solutions](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix, Polytechnic, West Valley](#) or [Online, ASU Local](#)

- **Second language requirement:** No
• **First required math course:** MAT 117 - College Algebra or MAT 142 College Mathematics

• **Math intensity:** General

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**Required courses (Major Map)**

2024 - 2025 Major Map (on-campus)
2024 - 2025 Major Map (online)
Major Map (Archives)

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**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.

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**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:

- Global Management, MGM

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.

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**Admission requirements**

**General university admission requirements:**
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

First-year | Transfer | International | Readmission

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**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.

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**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.
Attend online

ASU Online

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program’s ASU Online page for program descriptions and to request more information.

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.

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

Study abroad provides health sciences students with the opportunity to develop a valuable skill set, such as flexibility and communication skills, that can give them an advantage in their professional career. Students gain personal enrichment through exposure to unique health environments, where they learn culturally specific health approaches and much more.

The College of Health Solutions recommends these programs for students majoring in health science.

Career opportunities

Graduates are prepared to continue their education in graduate or professional school or to enter the health field or health care workforce in a variety of capacities, including indirect patient, direct patient and community care roles.

Career opportunities includes:
• elder services program coordinator
• health maintenance organization or insurance company client coach
• health and patient educator
• Healthy Start coordinator
• home health care coordinator
• long-term care health and wellness coordinator
• school health and program specialist
• Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and community nutrition aide

Graduates also may choose to pursue advanced degree programs in various discipline-specific medical fields.

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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<td>Advocate</td>
<td>8.6%</td>
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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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