Nonprofit Leadership and Management (American Indian Studies), BS

Do you dream of being a successful professional who works to advance the quality of life, especially in Indigenous communities? This program prepares you to do exactly that.

Program description

Complementary to the nation's first BS degree in nonprofit leadership and management, the American Indian studies concentration empowers purpose-driven students to be culturally aware, competent and ready for key roles that enable them to advance nonprofits that serve tribal lands, including those organized by tribal governments.

The nonprofit sector in the United States is unique in form and function. This sector includes institutions and individuals situated between government, public, business and commerce sectors. Students learn about the nonprofit sector through curriculum instruction and field experience. The concentration in American Indian studies familiarizes students with American Indian worldviews, current issues and tribal governance. Many students in the nonprofit sector work with American Indian populations.

The required internship component of the program leads students to professional opportunities within the nonprofit sector. Students may also choose to pursue the National Certified Nonprofit Professional credential through ASU's affiliation with the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance. [https://www.nonprofitleadershipalliance.org/credential/](https://www.nonprofitleadershipalliance.org/credential/)

This program is accredited by the Nonprofit Academic Centers Council.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: Downtown Phoenix campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150% of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees. Students should click the link for more information and eligibility requirements of the WUE program. [the WUE program](#)
At a glance

- **College/School:** Watts College of Public Service & Community Solutions
- **Location:** Downtown Phoenix
- **Second language requirement:** No
- **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:

- Community Resources and Development (Nonprofits and NGOs), MS
- Community Resources and Development, MS
- Nonprofit Leadership and Management, MNLM

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. Students typically receive approval to pursue the accelerated masterâs 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 minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") is required to change into this program.

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.

Program learning outcomes

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Incorporate multiple perspectives when proposing creative solutions to complex NLM issues.
- Demonstrate proficiency in written communications with diverse audiences (e.g. clients, interdisciplinary team members, donors, community members).
- Integrate knowledge from diverse disciplines to develop comprehensive strategies that address the complex challenges faced by nonprofit organizations.

Global opportunities

Global experience

Studying abroad can provide students with hands-on experience in nonprofit leadership with a global perspective. Students gain skills to be used in their future careers through internships in nonprofits. Students have the opportunity to intern during summer break or during a semester while taking courses in locations such as South America and Asia, adding a global lens for issues that Indigenous communities face around the world.
Career opportunities

Most of the major nonprofit organizations in Arizona and other states work with American Indian populations by providing services and expertise. Thus, career options are extensive and include many of the nonprofit organizations in the state and beyond. Careers fields may include fundraising, social services provision, volunteer management and youth programming.

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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