

Elementary Education, BAE

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Moment by moment, day by day and person by person, educators ignite minds and strengthen communities. Prepare to educate learners in grades K-8. Coursework paired with internships and residencies will allow you to obtain teacher certification after graduation and start a career in the high-demand field of education.

Program description

The BA program in education with a concentration in elementary education prepares prospective educators to work with children of grades K-8 in an educational setting. This program leads to a K-8 elementary education credential in the state of Arizona.

Students receive a firm grounding in academic content with current research and best practices from nationally recognized faculty in their fields of expertise, accompanied by professional experiences. This program also provides experience in integrating technology into teaching practices.

The teacher certification program for elementary education is clinically embedded during both the junior and senior years. Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College has developed a team-based approach to teacher preparation, allowing students to participate in professional experiences (internships and teaching residencies) with a team of peers while receiving guidance and support from ASU faculty members and highly qualified certified teachers. Team-based professional experiences are designed to prepare students to work with mutually supportive colleagues to address the academic and social-emotional needs of learners. The primary goal of professional experiences is to provide students with multiple opportunities to apply knowledge learned in coursework to practice in the classroom.

Students complete a series of internships prior to a semester-long full-time teaching residency. With the support of a certified mentor teacher and ASU faculty, students are able to practice what is learned during coursework in learning environments.

Graduates are recommended for grades K-8 elementary teacher certification. Those desiring to teach in a public school must pass the appropriate Arizona educator exams (National Evaluation Series or Arizona Educator Proficiency Assessments) to be credentialed to teach in the state of Arizona.

Format option


[This program is also offered via ASU Sync.](#) ASU Sync enables students to attend live classes remotely

via Zoom. Classes are designed to foster active collaboration and discussion in real-time with faculty and peers. ASU Sync students need to reside in Arizona throughout the duration of the program. Students on I-20 visas are not permitted to complete courses via Sync and should speak with an advisor about other options to complete this program.

Students seeking to use GI Bill® benefits for ASU Sync programs should contact the Pat Tillman Veterans Center regarding certain limitations.

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. More information about education benefits offered by VA is available on the official U.S. government website at <https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill>.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College](#)
- **Location:** [Tempe](#), [West Valley](#), [ASU Sync](#)
- **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.

Admission requirements

General university admission requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

[First-year](#) | [Transfer](#) | [International](#) | [Readmission](#)

Additional requirements:

The ASU Sync option is available only to transfer students residing in Arizona because of state regulations and student teaching placement requirements. Students should have completed an associate degree by the time they are enrolled at ASU. Students on I-20 visas are not allowed to complete courses via Sync.

Transfer admission requirements:

The MyPath2ASU® pathway allows Arizona transfer students to complete a prescribed sequence of courses that meet the requirements for the community college's AA degree, along with the lower-division requirements for the ASU major.

Students should visit [Admission Services](#) for more information about ASU degrees offered at local community colleges.

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

Because of climate change, geopolitical instability or economic factors, the United Nations and other institutions predict that migration is expected to increase globally for the foreseeable future. Learners will be migrating to new communities. Increasingly, educators will be asked to meet the needs of students who

speaking languages other than English and who bring a range of cultures into classrooms and learning environments. Education students participating in study abroad programs can prepare for this reality by engaging in [Global Education programs](#), in which they can expand their notion of normal schooling and deepen their understanding of how to foster inclusive and inspiring learning environments.

Career opportunities

There is a demand for highly qualified elementary teachers in Arizona. A high percentage of students from this program receive job offers during their residencies. Many graduates with a degree in elementary education work in:

- charter schools
- nontraditional settings
- private school settings
- public elementary schools

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
<u>College Program Director</u>	3.5%	\$99,940
<u>Elementary Teacher</u>	0.7%	\$61,690
<u>Fitness and Wellness Coordinator</u>	4.3%	\$56,090
<u>Instructional Specialist</u>	2.5%	\$66,490
<u>Middle School Teacher</u>	0.8%	\$61,810
<u>Preschool Director</u>		\$49,690
<u>School Principal</u>	1.1%	\$101,320
<u>Tutor</u>	3.3%	\$36,680

* 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.

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