Elementary Education, BAE

Moment by moment, day by day and person by person, educators ignite minds and strengthen communities. Programs at Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College offer a blend of classroom instruction and professional experiences that prepare you to ask the right questions, navigate uncertainty and make a difference.

Program Description

The BA program in education with a concentration in elementary education prepares you to work with children, grades K-8, in an educational setting. This program leads to K-8 elementary education certification 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 extensive 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 students complete internships during their junior year and a full-time, year-long apprenticeship, known as their senior year residency, in K-8 classrooms. Coursework is designed to support the development of instructional competencies, professional skills and content knowledge. Coursework is complemented by professional experiences which provide interns and teacher candidates opportunities to apply and reflect upon their knowledge and skills in teaming and collaborative models. Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College faculty and highly qualified mentor teachers from partner school districts and charter schools work in collaboration to support professional growth aligned to each student's personal goals. Additionally, the professional experience pathway provides students an opportunity to work directly with children and make an immediate impact on student achievement. This intensive, hands-on professional experience model of teacher preparation creates highly sought-after graduates and is unmatched in Arizona.

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 certified to teach in the state of Arizona.
Format option: This program is also offered via ASU Sync for transfer students who reside in Arizona. Students must either have a completed associate degree or will have completed an associate degree by the time they are enrolled at ASU. 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. Students can learn more about ASU Sync for undergraduates at Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College on the college's website at

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:** Polytechnic, Tempe, West, ASU Sync
- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** General

**Required Courses (Major Map)**

2022 - 2023 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 only available to transfer students residing in Arizona due to state regulations and student teaching placement requirements. Students should have a completed associate degree or will 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 Associate of Arts degree along with the lower-division requirements for the ASU major.

Students should visit https://admission.asu.edu/transfer for more information about ASU degrees offered at local community colleges.

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu 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. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU.

Global Opportunities

Global Experience
Future educators must learn to create inclusive and inspiring learning environments and they can do this by expanding their horizons through study abroad. They can explore how schooling works in countries that are leaders in education, and they can conduct comparative research. Students can make a difference in a community by volunteering at schools and engaging in local educational programs through service-learning opportunities. Students may visit ASU’s study abroad website to explore programs.
https://goglobal.asu.edu/

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

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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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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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 at https://admission.asu.edu/academics/licensure.

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