Help ensure that future generations have the skills and knowledge to lead physically active and healthy lives. Specialized coursework paired with team-based internships and residencies will allow you to obtain teacher certification after graduation and start a career in a high-demand specialty in education.

Program Description

The BAE program in physical education prepares students to successfully teach quality physical education programs to learners in grades preschool through grade 12.

The curriculum directly aligns with national beginning teacher standards of The Society of Health and Physical Education Teachers of America. Students take foundational coursework in the areas of growth and motor development, movement activities and lifelong physical fitness. The coursework covers elementary, secondary and adaptive physical education methods, including topics such as instructional design, lesson planning and modifications, and accommodations for preK--12 learners. Students build skills in cultivating a positive and productive learning environment, assessing, monitoring and reporting progress, as well as conducting themselves as responsible and ethical professionals.

Extensive professional experiences are built into the program to prepare students to enter the teaching profession after graduation. Students complete internships prior to a full-time student teaching residency that takes place senior year. Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College has developed a team-based approach to teacher preparation, allowing students to participate in internships and residencies with a team of peers while receiving guidance and support from 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.

Graduates earn an institutional recommendation for teacher certification in Physical Education, preK--12, as well as a Structured English Immersion, preK--12, endorsement through the Arizona Department of Education. In order to teach in a public school, graduates 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.
At a Glance

- **College/School:** Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College
- **Location:** Polytechnic, Tempe
- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 117 - College Algebra or MAT 142 College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** Moderate

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

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.

Students can learn how schooling works in countries that are leaders in education, and they can conduct comparative research, make a difference in a community by volunteering at schools, and engage in local educational programs through service-learning opportunities.

To explore available programs, students should visit ASU’s Global Education website at https://goglobal.asu.edu.

Career Opportunities

Graduates of Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College are highly sought out teachers in public, charter and private education institutions. Many graduates with degrees in physical education also work as coaches, fitness instructors or with organizations dedicated to improving health and wellness.

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

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