

# Secondary Education, BAE

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Middle and high school teachers help ignite minds, transform lives and strengthen communities. Coursework paired with internships and residencies will prepare you to obtain teacher certification after graduation and to teach learners in grades 6-12.

## Program description

The BAE program in secondary education prepares students to educate learners in grades 6-12 in the content area of the student's choice.

Students develop strong content knowledge, instructional competency and professional skills needed to lead successful classrooms in middle and high schools. This program provides students with extensive experience in integrating educational technology and has a strong focus on teaching and learning practices that foster equitable access and outcomes for diverse secondary populations. Students select one content area as their subject emphasis, in which they will take at least 24 credit hours. Content areas, which may vary depending on location, include biology, business, chemistry, earth and space sciences, economics, English, general science, geography, health, history, mathematics, physics, physical education, political science and American government, and some foreign languages.

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. Students complete a series of internships before a semester-long full-time teaching residency. 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.

Graduates can earn an institutional recommendation from ASU for the Arizona teaching credential in Secondary Education, 6-12, from the Arizona Department of Education.

## 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 must 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.

The Bachelor of Arts in Education program in secondary education via ASU Sync is available for transfer students who reside in Arizona.


Students should speak to an advisor about the content areas and modalities offered at our campuses in and outside Maricopa County.

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 at the official U.S. government website at [www.benefits.va.gov/gibill](http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill).

### Concurrent degree

With a concurrent degree option, undergraduate students can pair the Bachelor of Arts in Education in secondary education with either the BS in biological sciences or the BA in chemistry. This choice allows students to graduate with two degrees, a greater understanding of the field of education, and a credential to teach.

## 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.

# 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 will increase globally for the foreseeable future. Learners will migrate to new communities. Increasingly, educators will be asked to meet the needs of students who speak languages other than English and who bring a variety of cultures into classrooms and learning

environments. Education students participating in study abroad can prepare for this reality. By engaging in [Global Education programs](#), they can expand their notion of normal schooling and deepen their understanding of how to foster inclusive and inspiring learning environments.

## Career opportunities

Graduates from the secondary education program are recommended for certification in an approved area for grades 6-12. The demand for well-prepared secondary teachers is strong, particularly in the areas of math and science. Job opportunities in a fast-growing state such as Arizona are numerous. Graduates with a degree in secondary education work in:

- charter schools
- private school settings
- public schools
- online 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
<a href="#"><u>College Program Director</u></a>	3.5%	\$99,940
<a href="#"><u>Fitness and Wellness Coordinator</u></a>	4.3%	\$56,090
<a href="#"><u>High School Teacher</u></a>	1.0%	\$62,360
<a href="#"><u>Instructional Specialist</u></a>	2.5%	\$66,490
<a href="#"><u>Middle School Teacher</u></a>	0.8%	\$61,810
<a href="#"><u>Preschool Director</u></a>		\$49,690
<a href="#"><u>School Principal</u></a>	1.1%	\$101,320
<a href="#"><u>Tutor</u></a>	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.

To be eligible for a secondary education credential in Arizona, students must meet all requirements specified by the Arizona Department of Education, including passing the appropriate Arizona educator subject knowledge exam, as well as the professional knowledge exam offered through the National Evaluation Series or Arizona Educator Proficiency Assessments. Individuals who have previously earned a bachelor's or master's degree in the content area may be eligible to waive the subject knowledge exam and should contact [MLFTCCompliance@asu.edu](mailto:MLFTCCompliance@asu.edu) to learn more.

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