Everyone is exploring. The exploratory program helps you explore interests and possible futures. Plan and prepare for your future through intentional exploration and informed decision-making. Take the time to discover a major that gives you excitement and confidence.

Program Description

The exploratory mathematics, physical sciences, engineering and technology track offers students an opportunity to explore a variety of majors related to the mathematics, physical sciences, engineering and technology.

ASU recognizes that many students are not ready to choose a specific academic program of study when first entering the university. Allowing students the option to declare exploratory status permits them to begin meeting General Studies requirements that all ASU graduates must fulfill while taking some time to explore a variety of academic courses that may lead to a potential major interest.

All University College exploratory students are required to enroll in the following major and career exploration courses:

- ASU 230 Life by Design
- UNI 250 ASU by Design: Choosing a Major
- UNI 270 Work by Design: Preparing for a Career

At a Glance

- **College/School:** University College
• Location: Downtown Phoenix, Polytechnic, Tempe or Online, ASU Local

• Additional Program Fee: Yes
• Second Language Requirement: No
• First Required Math Course: Math courses needed will be determined by potential major choice.
• Math Intensity: Moderate

Required Courses (Major Map)

2023 - 2024 Major Map (On-campus)
2023 - 2024 Major Map (Online)
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

Tuition Information

When it comes to paying for college, 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

Students who have completed fewer than 45 college credit hours may change to exploratory status.

Details for declaring an exploratory major is available on the University College website.

Students should visit the Change of Major form for information about how to change a major to this program.

Attend Online

ASU Online
ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program's ASU Online page for program descriptions and to request more information.

ASU Local

It is now possible to earn an ASU degree with ASU Local, an integrated college experience in which students take advantage of in-person success coaching and programming experiences on site while completing one of 130+ undergraduate online degree programs, all of which come with online faculty interaction and tutoring support.

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
Exploring math, physics, engineering and technology on the global scale can be beneficial in helping students to narrow down their focus of study. While taking courses abroad, students are able learn more about themselves and what career path they want to pursue.

Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while gaining a global perspective applicable to many careers, and they may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. More information is available on the Global Education Office website.

Career Opportunities

Career opportunities are specific to the ultimate major of choice.

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