Exploratory Social and Behavioral Sciences

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Are your talents and interests as disparate as accounting and theatre? Consider the exploratory program, proven to help students find their passions. This program does not delay graduation and may actually save you time and money, because you took the time to discover a major that fits you.

Program Description

The exploratory social and behavioral sciences track offers students an opportunity to explore a variety of majors related to the social and behavioral sciences, such as psychology, history, education, journalism and business-related careers.

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 students 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, which must be taken sequentially:

UNI 150 Major and Career Exploration
UNI 250 Choosing a Major
UNI 270 Career Direction for a Successful Future

At a Glance

• College/School: University College
Required Courses (Major Map)

2022 - 2023 Major Map (On-campus)
2022 - 2023 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

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 following University College webpage.  
https://universitycollege.asu.edu/explore/advising

Students should refer to https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu 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 description and request more information here.

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. Those interested may learn more about ASU Local here.

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
Exploring social and behavioral sciences on the global scale can be beneficial to students narrowing 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 global skills applicable to many careers, and they may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. More information is available on the Global Education website. https://goglobal.asu.edu/

Career Opportunities

Career opportunities are specific to the ultimate major of choice.

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