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ASU The College
of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Arizona State University

Begin your journey

You're on your way to one of the most transformative experiences in your life. As the academic heart of the university, The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is redefining the liberal arts and sciences education by uniting traditional disciplines in innovative schools and departments across the humanities, natural sciences and social sciences.

You'll be surrounded by students, scholars and faculty from around the world, with access to a wide array of experiences, skill sets, languages and cultures to learn from. Every step of the way, we provide you the opportunity to achieve your dreams and thrive. Look inside to discover some of the opportunities available, and start your Sun Devil adventure.

71,700+

students enrolled in
The College courses

6,539

degrees granted (2019-2020)

2,861

new first-year students
in The College at Tempe
campus (fall 2021)

\$124 million

in scholarships awarded
to students in The College
(2020-2021)



Discover your path to success

As a first-year student, you'll find a supportive community in The College and across the Tempe campus. Our footprint spans from Armstrong Hall and our residential buildings to classrooms and faculty offices. To help you on your academic journey, The College offers a wealth of resources, including academic advisors to guide you throughout your college experience.

thecollege.asu.edu/first-year-experience



As a first-generation college student and Hispanic woman, Xochitl Arlene said the Smith Marshall Scholarship gave her the confidence to ask questions and pursue a prominent career in research and developmental psychology.

“A big revelation I had while at ASU is that professors, faculty and peers want to help you succeed — the first step is to just be inquisitive and ask.”

Xochitl Arlene S.
Psychology (BS)

Welcome to your Sun Devil home

Experience living in a supportive, close-knit residential college community with students in The College who share your interests. With friends and classmates living right next door and down the hall, you're immediately part of a welcoming community on your floor.

thecollege.asu.edu/residential-college-housing

Live where you learn

One of the best things about living on campus is you're close to everything. Classes, professors, libraries, computer labs, tutoring centers, dining halls, health services, the fitness complex — they're all just steps away. Intercampus shuttles are available to take you between campuses, while the Tempe FLASH can transport you across the Tempe campus.

admission.asu.edu/campus-life

“ASU has so many things to offer, so reach out to the professor who works in the research center you enjoy or go to that event. You never know the benefit you might gain.”

Cyrus C.
History (BA)
Political science (BA)
French (BA)



Experience unparalleled academic choice

The College offers 95+ undergraduate degree programs that allow you to explore your interests and passions. From philosophy and chemistry to urban planning and history, discover degree options that fit your future.

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Humanities – Examine the fundamental questions and experiences that make us human. Build firm foundations in writing, language study and research so you can answer global challenges with empathy, creativity and passion.

Natural sciences – Question, examine and test laws, principles and practices as you prepare to research and make discoveries about the natural world that will impact human progress.

Social sciences – Impact and pioneer solutions to society’s challenges through an understanding of the interconnections of our world, diverse cultural practices and the ability to comprehend complex issues holistically.



Award-winning faculty and cutting-edge research

You’ll have the opportunity to work with outstanding scholars who are leaders and innovators in their fields. Our award-winning faculty are looking for signs of life on other planets, inspiring creative minds, advocating for equity and social justice, and more.

Learn about some of the outstanding faculty in The College:

- Professor Jim Bell of the School of Earth and Space Exploration and his team helped develop the panoramic zoom cameras on NASA’s Mars 2020 Perseverance rover.
- Researchers Greg Asner and Robin Martin of the Center for Global Discovery and Conservation Science and the School of Geographical Sciences and Urban Planning are mapping a game-changing course for preserving endangered marine life and shorelines by creating the most detailed maps of coral reefs ever devised.
- Associate Professor Natalie Diaz was awarded the 2021 Pulitzer Prize in Poetry for her collection “Postcolonial Love Poem,” which has been described as “an anthem of desire against erasure.”

23 schools and departments

50+ research centers and institutes

1,200+ faculty members

\$194 million in external research expenditures

Degree programs

Key

Humanities Natural sciences Social sciences

Actuarial Science	Earth and Space Exploration (Astrobiology and Biogeosciences)	Mathematics
African and African American Studies	Earth and Space Exploration (Astrophysics)	Mathematics (Secondary Education)
American Indian Studies	Earth and Space Exploration (Exploration Systems Design)	Mathematics (Statistics)
American Studies	Earth and Space Exploration (Geological Sciences)	Microbiology
Anthropology	Economics	Microbiology (Medical Microbiology)
Applied Mathematics for Life and Social Sciences	Economics (Politics and the Economy)	Molecular Biosciences and Biotechnology
Asia Studies (East Asia)	English (Creative Writing)	Neuroscience
Asia Studies (South Asia)	English (Linguistics)	Philosophy
Asia Studies (Southeast Asia)	English (Literature)	Philosophy (Morality, Politics and Law)
Asian Languages (Chinese)	English (Secondary Education)	Philosophy (Science, Nature and Mind)
Asian Languages (Japanese)	English (Writing, Rhetorics and Literacies)	Physics
Asian Pacific American Studies	Family and Human Development	Physics (Secondary Education)
Biochemistry	Film (Film and Media Studies)	Political Science
Biochemistry (Medicinal Chemistry)	French	Politics and the Economy
Biological Sciences	Geographic Information Science	Psychology
Biological Sciences (Biology and Society)	Geography	Psychology (Psychological Science)
Biological Sciences (Biomedical Sciences)	Geography (Meteorology-Climatology)	Religious Studies (Religion, Culture and Public Life)
Biological Sciences (Conservation Biology and Ecology)	German	Religious Studies (Religion, Politics and Global Affairs)
Biological Sciences (Genetics, Cell and Developmental Biology)	Global Health	Russian
Biological Sciences (Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior)	Global Studies	Sociology
Biophysics	History	Spanish
Chemistry	History (Secondary Education)	Technological Leadership
Chemistry (Environmental Chemistry)	International Letters and Cultures	Transborder Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies (Media and Expressive Culture)
Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership	International Letters and Cultures (Arabic Studies)	Transborder Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies (Transborder Community Development and Health)
Communication	International Letters and Cultures (Classical Civilization)	Transborder Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies (US and Mexican Regional Immigration Policy and Economy)
Computational Mathematical Sciences	International Letters and Cultures (Classics)	Urban Planning
Data Science	Italian	Women and Gender Studies
Earth and Environmental Studies	Jewish Studies	
Earth and Space Exploration	Justice Studies	

Personalize your experience

Beyond high-quality academics and expert faculty, you will have the ability to personalize your college experience with one-of-a-kind opportunities. The College offers a number of tailored experiences to enhance your time at ASU and help prepare you for your future career.

Engage in hands-on experiences

Participating in undergraduate research is a great way to interact with experts, acquire new knowledge, develop analytical and problem-solving abilities and gain valuable experience for graduate school applications and resumes.

Gain a global perspective

Explore the world and deepen your cultural knowledge by participating in a study abroad program. Our programs are designed to complement your studies in a global context. You'll navigate new landscapes, discover new cultures, learn new languages and gain real-world experience. You'll also develop personally as you make friends, boost your confidence and test the limits of your comfort zone.

Build your resume

Internships offer valuable training in real-world situations that will set you apart from other applicants with the same educational background. And you'll have access to ASU's robust network of industry partners and internship opportunities.

Make time for interests and hobbies

With 1,000+ student clubs and organizations at ASU, you're sure to find one or two that you love. If the club you're looking for doesn't exist, you can create it.



During his time studying abroad in Mexico City, Jackson was able to fully immerse himself in the language and culture like never before.

"Studying abroad in Mexico City was one of the most eye-opening experiences I had studying math. What I took away from this experience was understanding the universality of mathematics."

Jackson C.
Mathematics (BS)



Through ASU's Pre-Health Advising, Bayley found professional opportunities to learn from, like working as a chief scribe in an emergency department.

"We work with the doctors, nurse practitioners and physician assistants in the emergency department during their whole shift. It's really cool because you get an insight into the providers' medical decision-making."

Bayley B.
Biological sciences (BS)



In a cosmology research group, Junehyoung addressed how much ionizing radiation can come from galaxies in the first billion years.

"I thought that research was something you'd mainly get involved in at a higher level of education. However, by contacting and working with different professors at ASU, research has been my main work, apart from my classes, especially towards the last few semesters."

Junehyoung J.
Earth and space exploration (astrophysics) (BS)

Pursue the career of your dreams

According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers, employers often rank skills such as critical thinking and communication — hallmarks of a liberal arts education — above technical aptitude as essential for career readiness. As a graduate of The College, you will enter the job market with the competitive edge that employers are looking for.

The support available through The College extends well beyond the classroom. At the Futures Center, you'll find professional development opportunities, resume writing assistance, pre-health and pre-law advising, how-to workshops and more.



Hannah B. graduated with a bachelor's degree in family and human development with a minor in sociology. As a student, she pursued advanced statistical methods courses, served as a research assistant and worked as a teacher's assistant. After graduation she has continued her education in family and human development by pursuing her PhD.



Elaissia S. is the Justice of the Peace for the West Mesa Justice Court. After graduating from The College with a bachelor's degree in global studies, she became the youngest person elected into state office in the 2018 election and one of just three Black women in Arizona history to hold the position.



Julian S. combined his love for street art with his expertise in mapping, urban planning and geographic information systems and founded Murals of Phoenix — an organization that supports Phoenix artists by providing them a platform to share their work. With degrees in geographic information systems and urban planning, he also works full-time at a utility engineering firm.



Chris L. graduated with bachelor's degrees in Italian and art history. He has worked as a multimedia reporter around the globe for NBC News, PBS NewsHour, PBS Frontline and NPR News. Today he is a CBS News foreign correspondent based in Rome, contributing to all CBS News broadcasts and platforms.

"Being here has helped me to feel more comfortable in the world in general. Now as I'm graduating, I feel like I'm equipped to go work anywhere in the world because I've been exposed to so many different cultures and so many different ideas and ways of being."

Molly Joy L.
Communication (BA)

