

Diverse cross-cultural spaces

Language proficiency and cultural awareness are necessary to truly engage with the world and others. In today's increasingly global environment, intercultural and interdisciplinary communication and knowledge have unprecedented value. In the School of International Letters and Cultures at Arizona State University, we provide spaces for students who want to engage with and celebrate cultural diversity.

Centers and Initiatives

The Humanities Lab

Chinese Language Flagship Program

Council for Arabic and Islamic Studies

Spanish Heritage Program

Learning Support Services

Philanthropy fuels possibilities

When you invest in the School of International Letters and Cultures, you help support our goal to educate students to become multilingual and globally informed citizens of today's complex world. In addition, philanthropy provides an extra measure of support for our faculty, multiple research initiatives and programs to reach our communities that could not otherwise be achieved. Together, we can impact the lives of many.

11 total endowments:

- John H. and Sandra B. Koo Prize
- Robert C. Staley Distinguished Visiting Professorship in East Asian Studies
- Chiang Ching-Kuo Fund for Chinese Studies
- Hing Fong Endowment
- Judith J. Radke Translation Award Endowment
- Ava and Raymond Tartar Literature Scholarship
- Robert J. Kestelik LGBT Leadership Scholarship
- Dorothy Govekar Endowed Scholarship
- Foster Latin American Research Fellowship Endowment
- Quino E. Martinez Scholarship Endowment
- Vincent Fastiggi Study in Italy Scholarship Endowment

Durham Hall naming opportunity

We have naming opportunities associated with the renovation of the building that houses the school, Durham Hall. Named rooms would feature a plaque with your name, memorializing your generosity and providing inspiration to others. Please visit silc.asu.edu/give if you are considering a donation.

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Fact sheet

Humanities

 **The College**
of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Arizona State University

11
undergraduate
degrees

15
graduate
programs

21
undergraduate
minors and
certificates

20+
languages
taught

An intercultural community at Arizona State University

The School of International Letters and Cultures is ASU's primary unit for education and research on global cultures and languages. We enable students to achieve high levels of language skills and rich cultural knowledge that will help them succeed as informed citizens and professionals.



Leading global impact and innovative solutions

In addition to offering a strong cross-cultural education, the school actively engages with faculty from other schools, departments and programs at ASU who do research in languages, cultures and global futures. These include art history, global studies, philosophy, religious studies, anthropology and sustainability. Such transdisciplinary collaborations foster integrative methods of performing research, relating knowledge and understanding phenomena.



Committed to the future

The School of International Letters and Cultures features sustainability content in its language courses and other classes across its more than 40 programs and more than 20 languages. These updates to the school's curriculum ensure that students are given ample opportunities to engage with the pressing issues of the future through a wide array of pathways.



Promoting language learning education across Arizona

Our annual Language Fair showcases diverse cultural traditions, including music, language, dances and foods to expand high school students' global knowledge and cultural appreciation. These are particularly relevant topics in a state with an English-only education law, despite Arizona's racial and ethnic diversity.



Providers of a true global experience

Through the partnerships between the School of International Letters and Cultures and other universities across the globe, our students have the opportunity to put their skills into practice in an immersive international experience. Our study abroad programs, directed by world-class faculty, are among the longest-running and most prestigious at ASU.

Enabling cross-cultural understanding to build communities

The study of languages and cultures enhances academic success and professional opportunities for a vast number of careers. In addition, learning about other parts of the world appeals to our sense of adventure, is profoundly inspiring and intellectually satisfying, and provides a broad knowledge base for lifelong learning.

9,039	number of course enrollments per year
30%	first-generation students
49%	racial and ethnic diversity
100	total faculty
40	tenured and tenure-track faculty



I learned so much about embracing other cultures and perspectives. Being around such multiculturalism completely opened my mind and challenged my preexisting beliefs. ... Being a diplomat is a career where I can serve my country, learn foreign languages and travel the world. I will continue a lifelong career of serving American interests and citizens abroad while engaging in cultural exchange within my host communities and hopefully helping to make the world a better place."

Tatum James
ASU Alumna, BA in global studies and Spanish (linguistics)

