Program Description

Architects design buildings and environments that are useful, sustainable and aesthetically pleasing. This implies an understanding of people's needs, the science and technology of building and the concepts of aesthetics.

The faculty in The Design School offer a BSD in architectural studies. In addition to developing knowledge and skills in architectural design, building technology, landscape architecture and professional practice, students are encouraged to select electives from a broad range of approved courses within the institute and across the university. These electives may be selected to devise a minor, to further professional study or to enrich the student's academic experience in some other fashion.

All students who are admitted to the major must pass a degree milestone to continue in the major at the end of the first year. For more information on the milestone process, students should refer to https://design.asu.edu/resources/students/milestones.

This is an 8-semester program requiring sequential completion of studio coursework (or approved equivalent) at any point of entry.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts
- **Location:** Tempe campus
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 170 - Precalculus
- **Math Intensity:** Moderate

Required Courses (Major Map)
Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements. [Freshman] [Transfer] [International] [Readmission]

Change of Major Requirements

An ASU student who would like to change majors to one offered by the Herberger Institute or one of its programs must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 (scale is 4.00 = "A").

Students should refer to [https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request](https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request) 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 the [Transfer Map search](https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request) 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 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/pathway-programs](https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/pathway-programs).

Global Opportunities

Global Experience

With over 250 programs in more than 65 countries (ranging from one week to one year), study abroad is possible for all ASU students wishing to gain global skills and knowledge in preparation for a 21st century career. Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while staying on track for graduation, and may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. [https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu](https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu)
Career Opportunities

Graduates of the bachelor's degree program who wish to become licensed can complete their professional studies by attending graduate school and earning the accredited professional master's degree. In Arizona, other graduates work for registered architects for several years before taking their licensing examination. Some begin their careers working in small offices of 10 to 20 people; others work in very large firms, industries, corporations or governmental agencies.

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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