Social and Cultural Analysis (Peace Studies), BA

ASSCAPSBA

Program Description

The School of Humanities, Arts, and Cultural Studies offers a BA in social and cultural analysis with a concentration in peace studies in the New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences at ASU's West campus.

This program is a unique, transdisciplinary offering that fosters a critical investigation of peace. It does so primarily through a humanities lens, but not exclusively, and it provides an analysis of peace in connection with issues such as gender, ethnicity, race and religion. Students will learn many perspectives on peace and approaches to it, including theories and practices of peace building, nonviolence, and conflict avoidance and resolution. The program builds on the expertise of faculty in the humanities and social sciences in fields such as history, linguistics, literature, ethics, philosophy, sociology, ethnic studies, and women and gender studies.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program at the following location: West campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150 percent of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees. See more information and eligibility requirements on the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program.

At a Glance

• College/School: New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences
• Location: West campus WUE
• Additional Program Fee: No
• Second Language Requirement: No
• First Required Math Course: MAT 142 - College Mathematics
• Math Intensity: General

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

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors. Students should see https://students.asu.edu/changingmajors for information about how to change the major to this program.

Transfer Agreements

Career Opportunities

There is a growing concern for peace building within social and political institutions. As a consequence, numerous jobs now exist in peace-related sectors. Graduates of this program will be prepared with the skills and knowledge necessary for graduate work as well as for careers in government, education, business and nonprofit organizations. Knowledge gained can be applied toward professional and personal advancement in education, writing, policy, law, cross-cultural communication, ethics and work with nongovernmental organizations. Due to the emphasis on the social aspects of peace, diversity, and identity, students will develop an awareness of the needs of diverse populations and the discourses that help create a culture of peace. Graduates will be able to apply their knowledge to areas as diverse as the following:

- civil rights organizations
- colleges and universities
- corporations
- government agencies
- law firms
- libraries
- museums
- nongovernmental organizations (NGOs)
- Peace Corps
• political action groups
• public relation firms
• research organizations
• social service 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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