Program Description

The BA in business with a concentration in tourism is an innovative, transdisciplinary program intended to prepare students for positions in a variety of professions in which business and tourism play important roles in ensuring success. Developing tourism and recreation opportunities requires an understanding of effective marketing techniques and the ability to interact with many different types of businesses that support those efforts. A solid academic preparation in business helps prepare students for success in the tourism industry and affiliated professions. Students in this program complete rigorous courses within the tourism concentration in addition to the skill and core courses required of all W. P. Carey School of Business majors.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** W. P. Carey School of Business
- **Location:** Tempe campus or online
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 210 - Brief Calculus
- **Math Intensity:** Moderate

Required Courses (Major Map)

- [2019 - 2020 Major Map (On-campus)]
- [2019 - 2020 Major Map (Online)]
- [Major Map (Archives)]

Accelerated Program Options
This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an **accelerated bachelor's and master's degree** with:

**Global Management, MGM**

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students will be advised by their academic departments to apply.

**Admission Requirements**

**General University Admission Requirements:**

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission

**Additional Requirements:**

Freshman admission requirements for this program are the same as the university's freshman admission requirements.

Readmission requirements: Students must have a 3.00 transfer GPA (if applicable) and a 3.00 cumulative ASU GPA.

**Transfer Admission Requirements:**

Transfer applicants must have a 3.00 GPA for all transfer work and meet university transfer admission requirements. Transfer students should select an additional major, which must be outside W. P. Carey School of Business, when applying for admission.

Students with fewer than 45 transfer hours who are not admissible to a W. P. Carey School of Business major and who did not select a second major or are not admissible to their second major choice are placed in the exploratory social and behavioral sciences program in the College of Integrative Sciences and Arts.

Students with more than 45 transfer hours who are not admissible to a W. P. Carey School of Business major and who did not select a second major or are not admissible to their second major choice are prompted in My ASU to select a new major.

**Change of Major Requirements**

Students should refer to the following W. P. Carey website to determine if they meet change of major requirements:  
[https://students.wpcarey.asu.edu/degrees-and-advising/degree-programs/change-majors](https://students.wpcarey.asu.edu/degrees-and-advising/degree-programs/change-majors)
Students should refer to https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request for information about how to change a major to this program.

**Attend 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.

**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 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.

**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/

The W. P. Carey School of Business recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in business with a concentration in tourism: http://links.asu.edu/SAO.bus-tourism.

**Career Opportunities**
Tourism management and development combines marketing and economic development with an emphasis on managerional understanding to promote smooth operations. The combination of skills acquired from exposure to both business and tourism courses make graduates more marketable and productive in their careers.

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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<td>Business Analyst</td>
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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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