Computer Information Systems, BS

Program Description

Computer information systems are part of every business and organization. In this degree program, students learn about the exciting and innovative ways that information technology is used to help organizations succeed.

Dedicated faculty members teach students how to design, build and maintain information systems that support business operations and managerial decision-making. In particular, students learn about business intelligence for competitive advantage, business process for workflow redesign, data management for decision-making, distributed systems for collaboration and globalization, enterprise integration for synergy, project management and solution development for value creation.

At a Glance

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

Required Courses (Major Map)

2021 - 2022 Major Map (On-campus)
2021 - 2022 Major Map (Online)
Major Map (Archives)
Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to choose a 3-year path while participating in the same high-quality educational experience of a 4-year option. Students can opt to fast-track their studies after acceptance into a participating program by connecting with their academic advisor. Fast track options appear at the top of the major map.

Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission

Additional Requirements:

Freshmen admission requirements: Students must have a score of 1230 SAT Reasoning OR 25 ACT score, OR graduated in the top 8% of high school class, OR have an overall high school GPA of 3.40 in ASU competency courses (scale is 4.00 = "A").

Freshmen should select an additional major when applying for admission. Additional choices may include any of the W. P. Carey business BA programs or any other degree program outside of the W. P. Carey School of Business. Students who are not admissible to a W. P. Carey business BS major and who did not select a second major or are not admissible to their second major choice are placed in a business BA program in the W. P. Carey School of Business.

Readmission requirements: Students must meet freshman admission requirements by way of high school GPA, test score or class rank and must have a transfer GPA of 3.00 (if applicable) and a cumulative ASU GPA of 3.00.

Transfer Admission Requirements:

Transfer admission requirements (30 or more semester hours of credit after high school): Students must have a transfer GPA of 3.00 and a score of 1160 (prior to March 2016) or 1230 SAT Reasoning (after March 2016) OR 25 ACT score, OR the student must have graduated in the top 8% of their high school class OR have an overall high school GPA of 3.40 in ASU competency courses (scale is 4.00 = "A").

Transfer students should select an additional major when applying for admission. Additional choices may include any of the W. P. Carey business BA programs or any other business or other degree program outside the W. P. Carey School of Business.

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 University College.
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 ready to change their major should submit their request through W. P. Carey's Advising SOS: [https://apps.wpcarey.asu.edu/apps/advising/index.cfm](https://apps.wpcarey.asu.edu/apps/advising/index.cfm).

Students should refer to [https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) 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](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu).

**Transfer Options**

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use [MyPath2ASU™](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) 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**

As globalization continues to impact the way people live and work, international experiences have become vital to success in every field of business. Through international study and internships, students gain valuable skills employers are looking for, including communication and interpersonal skills, flexibility, motivation, and a real-life perspective on business applications worldwide.

The W. P. Carey School of Business recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in computer information systems: [https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/students/major/wp-carey/computer-information-systems](https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/students/major/wp-carey/computer-information-systems).
Career Opportunities

Currently, there is a shortage of information systems professionals, with many more jobs than qualified applicants. With a degree in computer information systems, career choices are limitless. A computer information systems degree offers job opportunities in a variety of industries, including:

- education
- entertainment
- finance
- health care
- national defense
- transportation

Information systems are key components in the success of other functional business areas such as accounting, supply chain management, finance and marketing. Entry-level information systems positions include:

- computer forensics analyst
- database administrator
- information systems consultant
- information technology security manager
- network administrator
- project manager
- software or systems developer
- systems administrator
- systems analyst

Long-term career aspirations for a student with a computer information systems degree include:

- chief executive officer
- chief information officer
- chief knowledge officer
- chief security officer
- chief technology officer

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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