Program Description

The BA in performance and movement is an inclusive, transdisciplinary degree program that encourages students to develop collaborative approaches to learning and professional industry skills in the performing arts. This program is grounded in cultivating community practice through theatre, dance and music. The bachelor's degree program is located within the ecosystem of Phoenix, the sixth largest urban center in the United States, and enables students to understand, deconstruct and uplift diverse artistic modes across media and encourages the student to create a flexible degree program that intersects and engages these areas of interest. This degree program offers a number of focus areas: dance and theatre, music theatre, social and partnership dance, and urban arts.

Dance and theatre --- The dance and theatre focus area is designed for dancers who seek experience working with theatrical performance and acting, actors and performers who seek to balance text and voice work with movement exploration, and writers and directors who want to explore a wide range of approaches to live performance.

Music theatre --- The music theatre focus area is designed for the theatre student who wishes to focus their studies on musical theatre, vocal performance and dance. Students are offered a variety of courses within the School of Music and the School of Film, Dance and Theatre. This unique academic program allows students to blend key elements of traditional musical theatre curriculum with an expanded focus on foundational courses that provide skills and tools to be a well-rounded theatre artist.

Social and partnership dance --- The social and partnership dance focus area is an innovative program that allows students to explore multiple styles and approaches in social and partnership dance both in formal classroom study and informal student-centered community events. The focus area seeks to prepare future Latin social and ballroom dance leaders with pedagogical, performance and community-building strategies to support the need for serving local and national community engagement in social dance as a means to create social transformation and change.

Urban arts --- The urban arts focus area is designed for the student interested in melding intersectional embodied practice, social justice and urban arts culture by offering a critical look at the historical, social and practical application of urban arts scholarship and culture. The program focus spans various forms of urban artistry and expression through thought-provoking, in-studio courses and hands-on practical application and connects students with scholars and urban arts practitioners to embrace the interdisciplinary nature of urban arts: dance, music, visual and voice.
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 142 - College Mathematics
  OR MAT 117 OR MAT 119
- **Math Intensity:** General

Required Courses (Major Map)

2019 - 2020 Major Map (On-campus)
Major Map (Archives)

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 for Design and the Arts must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 (scale is 4.00 = "A"). Students should refer to https://students.asu.edu/changingmajors for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer Options

ASU is committed to helping you thrive by offering tools that allow you to personalize your transfer path to ASU. Students may use the Transfer Map search to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to
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. Learn more about these programs by visiting the Admissions site.

**Global Opportunities**

**PLuS Alliance**

**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/)

**Global Degree**

**Career Opportunities**

The bachelor's degree in performance and movement provides an excellent broad-based foundation for work in the arts or entertainment professions or readies students for further training at graduate schools or conservatories. The program's liberal arts emphasis combined with a focus on physical presence prepares graduates for a variety of occupations in both performance and nonperformance fields. Opportunities may include work with:

- arts entrepreneurship
- professional performing
- studio ownership and management
- themed entertainment

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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**Contact Information**

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