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 enabling students to understand, deconstruct and uplift diverse artistic modes across media and encouraging 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)

2018 - 2019 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 Agreements

ASU has partnered with colleges and universities in Arizona, California, Illinois and Washington to provide transfer curriculum pathways. Students should select their current institution to see if there is a partnership agreement between the institution and ASU for this degree program. Students who do not see their state or institution listed should check back as ASU is always working on creating new partnerships.

Transfer from a Maricopa Community College in Arizona

Select a college
- Chandler-Gilbert Community College
- Estrella Mountain Community College
- GateWay Community College
- Glendale Community College
- Mesa Community College
- Paradise Valley Community College
- Phoenix College
- Rio Salado College
- Scottsdale Community College

Transfer from an Arizona Community College

Select a college
- Arizona Western College
- Central Arizona College
- Cochise College
- Coconino Community College
- Dine College
- Eastern Arizona College
- Gila Community College
- Mohave Community College
- Northland Pioneer College
- Pima Community College
- Tohono O'odham Community College
- Yavapai College

Transfer from another state

Select a state
- California
- Illinois
- Washington
- Another state
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/.

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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