Civic and Economic Thought and Leadership, BA

Do you want to help reshape society? With the skills you gain from this solid academic foundation, you leave ASU prepared to meet today's challenges, whether you create foreign or domestic policy, build a nonprofit that strengthens communities, or lead a business that impacts the lives of many.

Program Description

The BA program in civic and economic thought and leadership incorporates the study of political philosophy, economic thought, history and American politics. Faculty engage students through the Socratic method, which challenges students to analyze the complex topics impacting lives today. Students refine their ability to read closely, think analytically, write carefully and speak effectively.

The curriculum, combined with outside-the-classroom leadership experiences, provides students with the broad, academic foundation they will use throughout their careers. Students have the opportunity to intern on Capitol Hill, in congressional offices in their district, with nonprofits around the country or in an opportunity of their academic interest. They engage with world-renowned scholars and experts who visit ASU for large lectures and small seminars through the school's public programs and civic outreach initiatives, and they are able to apply for one of the school's Global Intensive Experiences, which study service and leadership in places such as Israel and the West Bank, India and South Africa.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences](link)
- **Location:** [Tempe campus](link)
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
Second Language Requirement: Yes
First Required Math Course: MAT 142 - College Mathematics
Math Intensity: General

Required Courses (Major Map)

2021 - 2022 Major Map
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

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu for information about how to change a major to this program.

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™ 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
Students studying civic and economic thought and leadership gain valuable leadership and communication skills through unique study abroad experiences across the globe. Programs can be found in a variety of countries around the world. By studying abroad, students expand their scope of learning beyond the classroom and gain hands-on experience in different and exciting cultures.

https://goglobal.asu.edu/
Career Opportunities

Graduates are inspired and prepared to lead and serve in civil society, public affairs or government, and the internship provides the professional experience that employers look for on a resume.

Some career paths graduates might pursue include business, education, foreign service, government, law, politics, national security affairs and public office.

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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