Justice Studies, BA

Do you want to create meaningful change in the world? Justice studies offers you a broad education about the world's justice systems complemented by a solid foundation of liberal arts and sciences courses that will prepare you to promote social, economic and political justice wherever you find yourself.

Program Description

Justice studies is an innovative social science program examining current social justice issues such as human rights, domestic violence and immigration, against a backdrop of legal systems, law and culture. Students enrolled in the BA program in justice studies also have the opportunity to explore other languages and cultures, giving them the tools needed to communicate and work effectively with people both within and outside the U.S. As so many social justice issues occur across countries and cultures, this equips students with a dynamic knowledge of the world's justice systems and gives them the skills to create meaningful, real-world change.

At a Glance

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

Required Courses (Major Map)

[2019 - 2020 Major Map](#)

[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:

- Justice Studies, MS
- Science and Technology Policy, MSTP

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.

Change of Major Requirements

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

Students should refer to https://changingmajors.asu.edu/request 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 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/

Career Opportunities

Many graduates go on to law school, graduate school or other professional degree programs. Students emerge from this program with knowledge and skills designed to bring social justice concerns to their professional careers. Program graduates work in a variety of fields, including:

- administration
- business
- economics
- education
- human welfare and social work
- international relations
- law and law enforcement
- nongovernmental organizations
- politics
- public service fields

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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