Global Studies, BA

Study how cultures, economics, institutions and social issues shape our increasingly globalized world. Through a global experience or an internationally focused internship, you can put your learning to work as you help to address real-world challenges.

Program Description

The BA program in global studies examines the causes and consequences of problems that cross national boundaries and the governance of these problems in social, cultural and economic contexts.

The degree program aims to address real-world problems and their solutions. This mission is enabled by an internationally recognized faculty with extensive global experience from a wide variety of disciplines in the social sciences and humanities. Global studies faculty members orient their work toward solving global problems by drawing on expertise in diverse disciplines.

The global studies program uses teaching, research and public policy activities to address some of the most challenging issues that include:

- economic and social development
- global cities and urbanization
- global governance of health and climate change
- justice and human rights
- religious identities, rights and conflicts
- world culture

At a Glance

- College/School: The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
• Location: Tempe campus or online, ASU Local@Los Angeles

• 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 (On-campus)
2021 - 2022 Major Map (Online)
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:

Global Security (Cybersecurity), MA
Global Security, MA
Political Science, MA

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students are advised by their academic departments to apply.

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.

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.
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
Study abroad not only satisfies degree requirements within the global studies major but also helps students develop a portfolio of experience, with research and internship opportunities available in an international setting. It provides students the chance to challenge themselves to adapt and persevere under potentially difficult social and cultural circumstances. When studying abroad, students encounter many opportunities to improve their language and cultural competency skills which help them effectively communicate across populations. https://goglobal.asu.edu/

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in global studies: https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/students/major/spgs/global-studies.

Career Opportunities

A global studies degree prepares graduates for professional and graduate training in fields like law, business and public policy and with the broad foundational knowledge required for future decision-making in government, business and policy entities.

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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