Global Health, BA

Passion and understanding are requirements in improving health conditions for all people. A major in global health is designed for students who seek innovative and practical skills for understanding and solving global health challenges. Our renowned faculty and unique research opportunities create a limitless learning environment.

Program Description

The BA in global health is a transdisciplinary degree program designed for students who seek a broad and flexible set of skills for understanding contemporary health challenges and thinking about how they might best be solved. Global is understood in the anthropological sense, meaning ways of understanding and addressing disease, health and well-being that can incorporate all cultures, places and time and that can integrate knowledge of health's social, historical, biological and ecological dimensions.

The curriculum emphasizes the development of core skills in critical thinking, problem-solving and the importance of direct experience (research, study abroad, service learning and advocacy). The program cultivates capacities to deal with any complex problem with social components: how to identify the critical issues, ask the right questions and create solutions that are meaningful and effective.

Students are required to participate in an approved global health study abroad program.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus or online
- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** Yes
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** General
Required Courses (Major Map)

2018 - 2019 Major Map (On-campus)
2018 - 2019 Major Map (Online)
Major Map (Archives)

Accelerated Degrees

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:

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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.

| Freshman | Transfer | International | Readmission |

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors. Students should refer to [https://students.asu.edu/changingmajors](https://students.asu.edu/changingmajors) 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](https://students.asu.edu/changingmajors).

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

- 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
- South Mountain Community College

Transfer from an Arizona Community 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

- 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/](https://mystudyabroad.asu.edu/)

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in global health: [http://links.asu.edu/SAO.global-health.](http://links.asu.edu/SAO.global-health.)
Career Opportunities

Nationally and internationally, the health field provides enormous and varied career opportunities, and demand is high and growing for graduates with skills. The major supports the goals of those pursuing careers in academic research, teaching and health services. Sample employment venues include:

- departments of health
- government agencies
- international agencies (World Health Organization, Center for Disease Control, Global Health Council, World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank)
- nongovernmental organizations
- private sector
- universities

The degree also provides a broad intellectual base for those who plan advanced specialist health training in fields such as:

- dentistry
- medicine
- nursing
- pharmacy

In Arizona and elsewhere, there is a pressing need for professionals with appropriate skills to work in cross-cultural settings or with underserved populations (such as migrants, minorities and those living in poverty), and many of these jobs are directly or indirectly related to health.

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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<th>Career</th>
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<td>Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES)</td>
<td>14.5%</td>
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<td>Communication Professor</td>
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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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