History, BA

Examine the lessons of the past and learn problem-solving and analytical skills that will help you contribute to solutions for the future. Develop and refine the important, fundamental reasoning skills that you need to contribute to a thriving society. This major is transferable to a range of careers and professions.

Program Description

The BA program in history focuses on American history, with coursework in European, Latin American and global historical perspectives. Faculty expertise includes the history of technology and science, biography, war and its effect on society, public history, aviation, environmental history, and related fields.

Students are trained in methods of historical research and study the development of human society from social, cultural and political perspectives. The capstone course and other research courses allow students to apply research and writing skills as practitioners of history and creators of analytical narratives.

Students must complete a minimum of 12 upper-division credit hours of HST courses offered by the College of Integrative Sciences and Arts.

Students who would like to combine this degree with teaching certification should contact the Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: Polytechnic campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150 percent of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees. Students should click the link for more information and eligibility requirements of the WUE program.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** College of Integrative Sciences and Arts
- **Location:** Polytechnic campus
Required Courses (Major Map)

2019 - 2020 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://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

The bachelor’s degree program in history prepares scholars and teachers for graduate and professional studies and for careers in education, writing and other related fields. Career prospects for secondary history and social studies teachers in Arizona are particularly strong. Students in the program develop skills in:

- analyzing and assessing ideas and problems
- communicating effectively orally and in prose
- finding and evaluating information
- presenting clear and logical arguments

With these skills, graduates of this program may find jobs in:

Public History

- archivists
- museum curators
- museum technicians and conservators

Legal Profession

- court reporters
- law clerks
- lawyer
- paralegal and legal assistants

Education

- college and university faculty
- middle school teachers
- secondary school teachers

Media and Communication

- broadcast news analysts
• historians
• media and communication workers
• news columnists
• reporters and correspondents
• writers

The degree program also prepares students to continue in graduate and professional programs.

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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