Nutrition, BS

This degree provides a valuable foundation for a variety of careers that involve principles of nutrition; however, it does not prepare students to become a registered dietitian.

Program Description

The BS program in nutrition provides students with the ability to apply nutrition principles in a variety of fields based on one of the following tracks.

Food and nutrition management --- Students develop an understanding of the food industry, learn to manage and market food, and develop a food or menu that meets a specific nutritional guideline, preparing them to apply their knowledge to food production.

Nutrition communication --- Students become experts in communicating health and nutrition information through nutrition courses that provide content for the articles students write in their communication-related studies. This track provides students with a strong understanding of the scientific method, statistics, nutrition, health care and wellness that some traditional journalists might lack.

Food studies --- Students gain knowledge in all aspects of food and food production through a strong foundation in nutrition, food systems and food marketing.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** College of Health Solutions
- **Location:** Downtown Phoenix campus or online
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** Moderate
Required Courses (Major Map)

2018 - 2019 Major Map (On-campus)
2018 - 2019 Major Map (Online)
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://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.

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.
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 Health Solutions recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in nutrition: [http://links.asu.edu/SAO.nutrition](http://links.asu.edu/SAO.nutrition).

Career Opportunities

According to the National Restaurant Association, the number of food service managers is projected to increase by 15 percent in the next 10 years. The food and nutrition management track prepares students to become food service directors at schools, health care facilities and corporate food service operations.
Graduates of the program aspire to own restaurants or nutrition-related businesses, work in supplement or pharmaceutical sales, or work in food marketing and distribution.

The nutrition communication track offers employment opportunities with community and health care agencies, magazines, newspapers, private corporations (e.g., public relations firms) and Web-based companies. Graduates can pursue careers as authors, consultants in program or product development, freelance writers for newspapers and magazines, and public relations representatives for food and beverage companies.

The food studies track prepares graduates for careers in food media, food policy, food history, culinary and food tourism, food product marketing and food product development.

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>Chef</td>
<td>9.6%</td>
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<td>Community Health Worker</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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