Elementary Education, BAE

Moment by moment, day by day and person by person, educators ignite minds and strengthen communities. Programs at Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College offer a blend of classroom instruction and professional experiences that prepare you to ask the right questions, navigate uncertainty and make a difference.

Program Description

The BA program in education with a concentration in elementary education prepares you to work with children, grades K-8, in an educational setting. This program leads to K-8 elementary education certification in the state of Arizona.

Students receive a firm grounding in academic content with current research and best practices from nationally recognized faculty in their fields of expertise, accompanied by professional experiences. This program also provides extensive experience in integrating technology into teaching practices.

The teacher certification program for elementary education is clinically embedded during both the junior and senior years. Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College students complete internships during their junior year and a full-time, year-long apprenticeship, known as their senior year residency, in K-8 classrooms. Coursework is designed to support the development of instructional competencies, professional skills and content knowledge. Coursework is complemented by professional experiences which provide interns and teacher candidates opportunities to apply and reflect upon their knowledge and skills in teaming and collaborative models. Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College faculty and highly qualified mentor teachers from partner school districts and charter schools work in collaboration to support professional growth aligned to each student's personal goals. Additionally, the professional experience pathway provides students an opportunity to work directly with children and make an immediate impact on student achievement. This intensive, hands-on professional experience model of teacher preparation creates highly sought-after graduates and is unmatched in Arizona.

Graduates are recommended for grades K-8 elementary teacher certification. Those desiring to teach in a public school must pass the appropriate Arizona educator exams (National Evaluation Series or Arizona Educator Proficiency Assessments) to be certified to teach in the state of Arizona.
At a Glance

- **College/School:** Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College
- **Location:** Polytechnic campus, Tempe campus, West campus, ASU@Lake Havasu
- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** General

Required Courses (Major Map)

- [2021 - 2022 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]

**Transfer Admission Requirements:**

The MyPath2ASU™ pathway allows Arizona transfer students to complete a prescribed sequence of courses that meet the requirements for the community college's Associate of Arts degree along with the lower-division requirements for the ASU major.

Students completing their ASU degree at Yuma: Once the MyPath2ASU™ pathway requirements are complete, students complete the remaining requirements for the ASU bachelor's degree at the community college.

Students should visit [https://admission.asu.edu/transfer](https://admission.asu.edu/transfer) for more information about ASU degrees offered at local community colleges.

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.

**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**

Future educators must learn to create inclusive and inspiring learning environments and they can do this by expanding their horizons through study abroad. They can explore how schooling works in countries that are leaders in education, and they can conduct comparative research. Students can make a difference in a community by volunteering at schools and engaging in local educational programs through service-learning opportunities. Students may visit ASU’s study abroad website to explore programs. https://goglobal.asu.edu/

**Career Opportunities**

There is a demand for highly qualified elementary teachers in Arizona. A high percentage of students from this program receive job offers during their residencies. Many graduates with a degree in elementary education work in:

- charter schools
- nontraditional settings
- private school settings
- public elementary schools

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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