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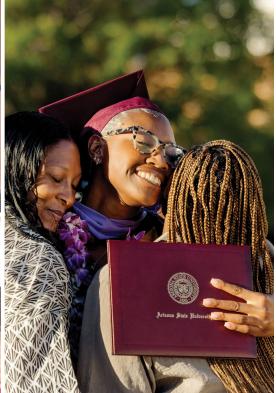










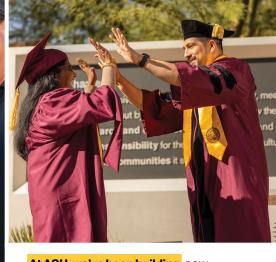












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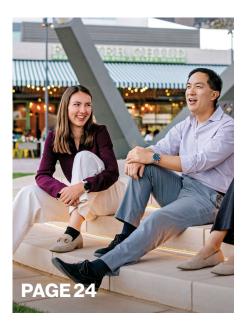
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ASU today

At ASU, we've been building – new experiences, new ways of learning, new ways of engaging, new ways of coming together. Whether you graduated from ASU 30+ years ago or in 2024, we have prepared this issue of the magazine to bring you an update on the latest and greatest opportunities and resources that are part of the ASU experience. There are options for preschoolers, K-12, college, master's degree programs, career upskilling, personal growth and beyond. Join us to see what's new and what might be of interest to you and your family in the years to come. ASU has something for everyone.





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Tillman Runs in Tempe and in dozens of cities around the US

Join thousands nationwide for Tillman Honor Runs, 4.2 miles each, which honor the legacy of former Sun Devil and Army Ranger Pat Tillman. The run is held in locations throughout the U.S., including the 21st annual Pat's Run that ends on the 42-yard line of Mountain America Stadium's football field on the Tempe campus.

April 12, 7-11 a.m., Tempe campus; other locations throughout the U.S.

alumni.asu.edu/events/tillman-honor-





Reimagining the digital world

Join the ASU Media and Immersive eXperience (MIX) Center for the Spring 2025 MIXibition, an evening filled with sensory-rich exhibits created by students and faculty. Experience captivating immersive projection mapping and VR and AR experiences to extended reality and virtual production.

Wednesday, April 30, 6-8:30 p.m., MIX Center, 50 N. Centennial Way, Mesa mix.asu.edu

Free Family

ASU Football Fan Fest

Join the 2024 Big 12 champions, Sun Devil Football, for a free Football Fan Fest with family-friendly activities on and off the field, new food and concession options, an exclusive merchandise and gear sale, and more ways to engage with Sun Devil Football players throughout the stadium.

Friday, April 25, **Mountain America Stadium** sundevils.com

Free Family





current students, learn about classes and majors, and discover what it's like to be a Sun Devil.

Choose from dates throughout April and beyond. Register at visit.asu.edu/sundevilday. Free Family

Visit asuevents. asu.edu for events on campus and in the community.

Visit sundevils.com for games and matches.



Summer camps for K-12 learners

ASU's locations, including all four campuses in the Tempe-metro area, and the ASU California Center, offer summer camps for a variety of interests, including engineering, sciences, health and the arts, and ages, from 11th and 12th graders to younger.

Day and time vary by location summer.asu.edu/summer-youthprograms Family



Check in to events to earn Pitchforks and rewards!

Sign in to the Sun Devil Rewards app for ASU event listings, news, games and more. Earn and be rewarded! sundevilrewards.asu.edu



Aayansh Guntaka

ASU Preparatory Academy Digital

The 10-year-old takes classes online so he can compete internationally in chess.



Thanmai Yandrapati

Herberger Young Scholars Academy

Attends the school for gifted and talented on ASU's West Valley campus.



Jake Goebig
On campus

First-year student on the ASU
Tempe campus majoring in business
entrepreneurship and already
making connections.



Anna Bethke
On campus

'24 BSE in electrical engineering, current master's student working at the ASU NanoFab fabricating nanoscale transistors.



Jacob DeFant

ASU Online

'24 MS in sustainable food systems and public policy, earned a promotion after graduation.



Jessica Pagoulatos

ASU Online

'09 MEd in curriculum and instruction, '19 MEd in educational leadership, director of academics at Primavera Online.

Somany to learn



Isabella Faris On campus

Data science major and a leader of CodeDevils, a fully online ASU student organization for coders around the world.



Rafael Ortiz On campus

'24 BS in astrophysics, received the New American University President's Scholarship, the 2020 Gold Medal in Science and the 2023 Barrett Honors College Award for Innovation.

Linhsey Trinh ASU Online

'24 MS in forensic psychology, a police officer in Indiana who bridged law enforcement and academics while excelling in her graduate program.



Kurt "KJ" Russell On campus

'24 JD, '24 Master of Sports Law and Business, corporate lawyer at Fennemore, credits his fellowships in LA at the law firm for his job offer.



Carmen Smith Estrada On campus

Studying for her Master of Social Work degree in Tucson to stay close to family and her community.



Sharon and Randy Fortenberry Mirabella at ASU

Moved to the Tempe campus in 2021 to be connected to stimulating learning opportunities.



What happens when a university has a global reputation for academic excellence vet remains open to any student eager to learn? This combination creates an incredible, worldwide demand for an ASU degree.

ASU has become one of the largest and most impactful communities of students and experts in the world. We are constantly innovating with new degree programs, cutting-edge learning methods and welcoming spaces to foster growth and discovery.

For learners driven to gain new skills, you can explore your potential and make a positive contribution to the world.

You belong here for your next chapter.





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Quality yo count on

ASU is repeatedly ranked



innovation

ASU ahead of MIT and Stanford

- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, 10 YEARS, 2016-25

And has ranked #1 on 20+ lists in the past 3 years

ASU is a top U.S. university

based on key indicators including academic reputation, employment outcomes, international research network and sustainability

ASU ahead of Dartmouth, Georgetown and Notre Dame

- QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS, 2025

Top-ranked programs

44 undergraduate and graduate programs at ASU, including online, are in the top 10 in the U.S.

- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT. 2024

Learn more about ASU rankings at

asu.edu/rankings.

Including these graduate programs:

- #1 in the world for international trade
- QS INTERNATIONAL TRADE RANKINGS, 2023-25
- #1 in the U.S. and #2 in the world for MBA in entrepreneurship
 - POETS & QUANTS, 2025
- #2 for best graduate criminology and criminal justice programs
- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, 2022
- #2 for best graduate homeland security and emergency management program
 - U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, 2024
- #3 for best business school supply chain management MBA program
- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, 2024
- #3 for best graduate information and technology management in public affairs program
- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, 2024

What does a nationally ranked graduate program mean for you?

It means you'll stand out in competitive fields and have the confidence, skills and hands-on experience you need to succeed.

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448

undergraduate degree options

for learning on campus in Arizona. 277 of the majors have an accelerated option, which offers highly committed students the same high-quality curriculum as the regular degree path options in a shorter period of time.

284

master's degree options

for learning on campus in Arizona. 156 have an accelerated option, offering the same high-quality curriculum as the regular degree path in a shorter period of time.

Learn more about all ASU degrees at degrees.asu.edu.



12,000+ courses offered **18-to-1** student-to-faculty ratio

Who teaches classes?

All learners study with the same outstanding faculty

All ASU students learn alongside the same quality professors and researchers across the university as they explore innovative ideas and make groundbreaking discoveries. These game changers and academic mentors include Nobel laureates and other leaders in their fields, providing you access to some of the brightest minds in academia.

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ASU's faculty includes:

- · Nobel laureates
- · Pulitzer Prize winners
- · MacArthur "Genius" Fellows
- · Fulbright U.S. Scholars
- · Guggenheim Fellows
- · American Academy of Arts and Sciences members
- · National Academy of Sciences members
- · National Academy of Engineering members
- · National Endowment for the **Humanities Fellows**

College grads earn more money, are healthier and have more career flexibility than peers who only finish high school or community college.

SOURCES: GEORGETOWN CENTER ON EDUCATION AND THE WORKFORCE, COLLEGE BOARD, TROSTEL, FEDERAL RESERVE, GALLUP-LUMINA FOUNDATION, U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

Will an ASU degree help get you a better job?

ASU is ranked #2 in the U.S. for employability

among public universities

ASU ahead of UCLA, University of Michigan

and Purdue

- GLOBAL EMPLOYABILITY UNIVERSITY RANKING AND SURVEY, 2025







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"There's no other place on Earth like the MIX Center that is putting together spatial computing, immersive design, storytelling and media production in this way."

- NICK PILARSKI, INTERIM MIX CENTER DIRECTOR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

18,000+

square feet of creative studio workspaces at the MIX Center in downtown Mesa, all accessible in both day and evening classes

4
professional level soundstages
for making highquality audio
recordings

10+ arts and design programs ranked top 20 in the U.S.

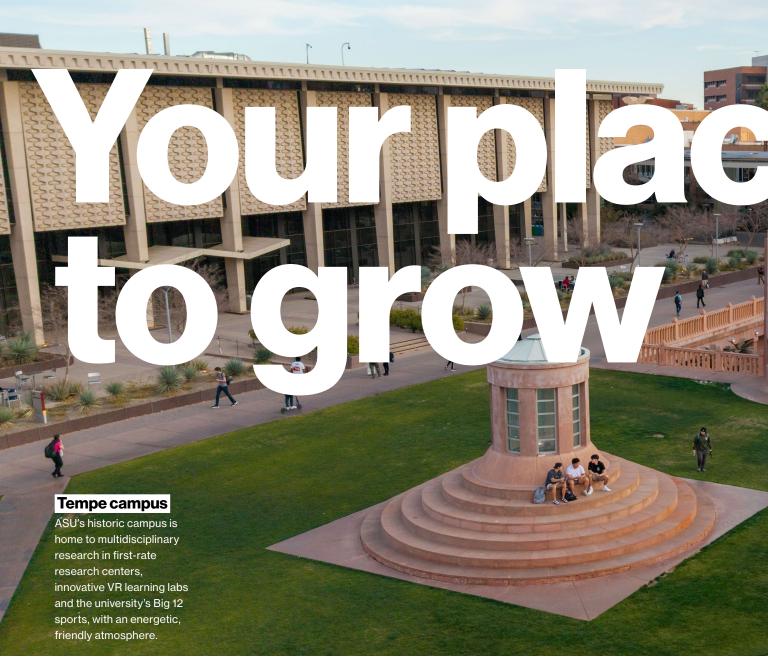
500+

faculty members across all areas of creative practice in arts and design in the Herberger Institute

31,000+ alumni connections in the arts and design

The newest master's degrees, outstanding faculty and the best arts facilities in the world ASU has made a launch platform for the future of creative jobs Last fall, students and faculty from the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts presented cutting-edge projects at the MIXibition at the Media and Immersive eXperience (MIX) Center. Jialong Xu, '22 BA in communication and a graduate student in the Media Arts and Sciences program in the School of Arts, Media and Engineering, showcased a scuba diving experience game for the Apple Vision Pro. "It's truly inspiring to see how this event fosters innovation and transforms creative visions into reality," he says. The college's new master's degree programs, MSD in design (experience design) and MS in media arts and sciences (extended reality technologies), prepare students for careers in digital gaming, extended and virtual realities, interactive environments, themed entertainment, and other forms of immersive storytelling. "Every major tech company is betting billions of dollars on this future, and our degrees put students at that forefront," says In ASU MIX Center studios, Nick Pilarski, interim MIX Center director and Sian Proctor demonstrates an associate professor. augmented reality project of what it was like to see Earth Learn more at herbergerinstitute. from her spaceflight. asu.edu/degree-programs/ mix-center-graduate-degrees.

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Downtown Phoenix campus

Situated near health care, journalism, government, public service, arts and other professional connections, this campus offers a big-city feel in a career-focused environment.



West Valley campus

Surrounded by beautiful courtyards and fountains, this campus offers a tight-knit community with a peaceful, welcoming vibe that is focused on training the next generation of a more robust workforce.





Polytechnic campus

Located in the vibrant East Valley, this campus offers the ultimate "think, do, learn" experience with cutting-edge facilities and project-based learning through strong industry partnerships.

ASU is 'one university in many places'

ASU connects you to world-class faculty, top-ranked programs and state-of-the-art learning environments to help you succeed at any stage of your lifelong learning journey. Each of the four distinctive campuses throughout metropolitan Phoenix provides access to the university's strength and innovation, and all offer attributes and focuses to meet the needs of any learner.

Learn more at campus.asu.edu.

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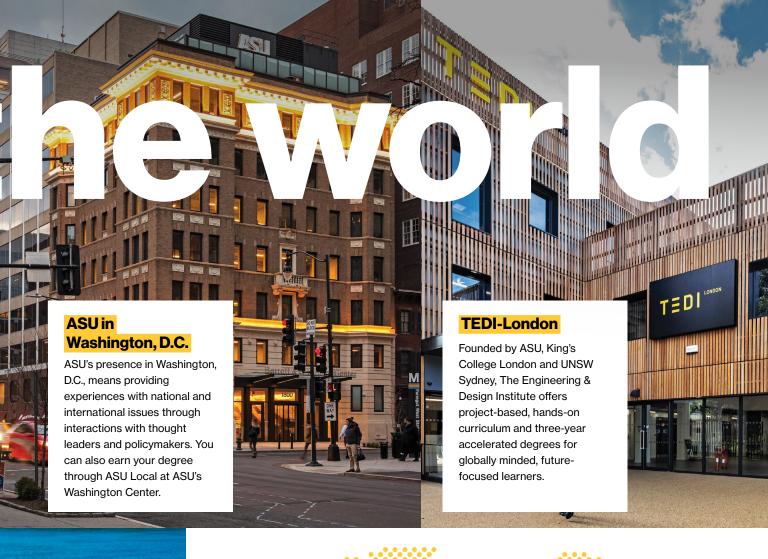
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ASU California Center in the heart of Los Angeles Steps from the Fashion District and at the center of the nation's film and television industry, the ASU California Center in Los Angeles provides professional and academic opportunities. The ASU California Center features top-ranked undergraduate and graduate degree programs, including The Sidney Poitier New American Film School, ASU FIDM and the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication. Students experience a global hub for creativity, preparing for careers in film, fashion, virtual reality, law, government, public service, journalism, media and the corporate sector. Student housing is available at the **ASU BIOS** Broadway Palace, a luxury ASU Bermuda Institute of Ocean apartment building. Sciences conducts scientific analysis of the ocean to address critical global environmental issues and combines research with distinct teaching facilities in and near the ocean to offer students experiential learning.





ASU offers more online programs ranked in the top 20 than any other university, without compromising quality. As an online student, you'll learn from the same top-tier faculty and follow the same curriculum as on-campus students. No matter your background, ASU Online provides you with an unmatched online learning experience with research opportunities, hands-on learning, internships and more to empower you to achieve your personal and professional goals.

Rylee Engelken '24 BS biochemistry, **Michael Hwang** sales test lab '14 MBA, technician at '21 Executive Master **AMETEK Brookfield** of Sustainability Leadership, director, sustainability partner GTM strategy at Microsoft Novus Place is a vibrant new entertainment area on the Tempe campus with shops and restaurants surrounding a park.

ASU prepares you for the journey ahead The things that interest you throughout your life often signal the types of careers you'll excel at and enjoy. ASU can help you to explore your interests more deeply and guide you on a path to realizing how what gives you joy can be turned into a meaningful career. Our undergraduate and master's programs emphasize hands-on experiences and we will help you find internships that align with your goals. Then, when it's time to enter the workforce or upskill, Aditi Galande ASU Career Services will help you land '23 BA global health. your dream job. '23 BS biomedical sciences, medical assistant at More at career.asu.edu. Advanced Dermatology, accepted into medical school **Top employers** for ASU Jesus Franco Yescas graduates '23 BS informatics, Amazon program coordinator Banner Health at ASU Next Lab, Boeing pursing a master's Deloitte in media arts **Intel Corporation** More and sciences Northrop Grumman Corporation than 1 in 4 HonorHealth Connect with working PepsiCo networking Raytheon Technologies **Arizonans** resources and Charles Schwab more at Phoenix Children's with at least alumni.asu. edu/services/ alumni-career-Hospital a bachelor's degree earned it Honeywell <u>services</u> from ASU Mayo Clinic

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Supporting careers from Day 1

Whether you're just starting out or ready to take the next step in a long career, ASU's numerous career resources will help you thrive

Ira A. Fulton Schools of Engineering

Real-world projects and preparation even for firstyear students

Research with faculty at the top of their fields, internships at leading companies and mentorship by industry experts all give students a competitive edge in the job market. At the Innovation Showcase, even first-year students can present the ideas they've conceptualized with guidance from industry professionals, paving the way to valuable career opportunities.

career.engineering.asu.edu



W. P. Carev School of Business

Setting students up for success in business, logistics, finance and more

At W. P. Carey, students go through a guided process of launching fulfilling careers. In 2024, the college hosted more than 185 employers and provided over 500,000 touchpoints for students and alums to engage. In addition, the college offers the Cooperative Education Program, a three- to six-month learning opportunity for undergrads to work full time with a partner company to gain valuable skills. career.wpcarey.asu.edu



Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts

Landing jobs in the arts through career support for all students

Advising, mentoring, internships and connections — Herberger provides what is needed to succeed in the creative arts. Many faculty members work in their fields, and they readily share their industry connections to help students land internships and jobs in creative industries. students.herbergerinstitute.asu.edu/creative-career-services

Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication

Helping students secure jobs in journalism

With comprehensive professional branding and career planning services, internships and industry connections, the school prepares students for success. In 2024, nearly 400 students completed internships, and the school hosted 13 different recruiters in 22 visits.

cronkite.asu.edu/students/career-services

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Tailored career support for all students

The Futures Initiative is built to provide support for students in every phase of their college journey. Through career counseling services like Pre-Health and Pre-Law advising, as well as internship and research support, more than 30,000 students at The College graduate as strong candidates entering the job market. thecollege.asu.edu/student-life/careers

Barrett, The Honors College

Preparation in a top-ranked honors college

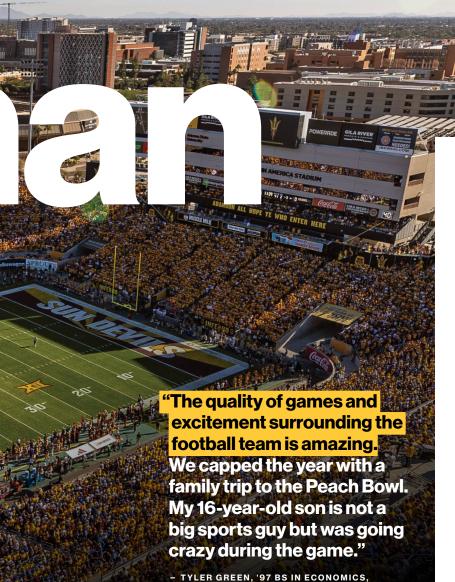
Global Honors Flex gives students, including first-year students, the chance to study abroad. The Life Prep program builds essential professional and personal skills. Barrett students work with ASU faculty and are frequently top choices by employers.

barretthonors.asu.edu



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Memorable fan experiences for all ages

Whether you attended every game while at ASU or have not yet attended, ASU athletics competition has something to offer everyone. From the football tailgates to the new restaurants and food options in Novus Place, ASU's sports are drawing fans of

Today's Game Day experience has been revamped to be even better. Sample highlights include amazing food featuring signature items for each game:

- · Burnt end street tacos for the KU game
- · Devil Dogs: footlong Sonoran-style hot dogs
- · Inferno Fries: fries loaded with cheese curds
- · Value menu expanded
- · Vegan and vegetarian options

More after-game options have been expanded on the Tempe campus in the Novus Innovation Corridor, including North Italia, Blanco Cocina + Cantina, Flower Child, Blue Sushi Sake Grill, Over Easy and more.

Tap into athletics events at sundevils.com.









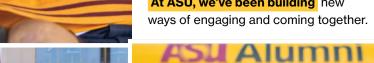




















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