



Arizona State University (West Valley Campus)

Social and Cultural Analysis (Peace Studies), BA

Study details

Course type: Bachelor's degree

Degree: Social and Cultural Analysis (Peace Studies), BA ASSCAPSBA

Study mode: Full time

Duration: 48 Month

Cost of study

Cost : 35 430 USD

Reg. fee : 85 USD

Scholarship :

Insurance : 2 765 USD

Intake/s

Jan/May/Aug

Requirements

Academic requirements

First-year students must:

- Have a 3.00 grade point average (GPA) (a "B" or better where "A"=4.00) from a secondary school. Some ASU programs may have higher admission or English proficiency requirements and may consider a minimum ACT or SAT score.
- Must have three years of high school coursework. (If you are currently in high school, ASU needs to see 9–11 grade coursework. If you have completed high school, ASU needs to see 10–12 grade coursework.)
- Must have and present a completed high school diploma or certificate.

Conditional admission

ASU may offer conditional undergraduate admission to international applicants to an on-campus program who meet the academic (aptitude) requirements but who are not proficient in English. This offer of conditional admission will give you time to improve your English proficiency before you start classes at ASU. Your conditional admission offer is good for up to three semesters, during which time you must meet one of these requirements to begin your ASU experience.

Competency requirements

International students who completed high school outside the U.S. are required to meet the following competency requirements:

- Math: four years (algebra I, geometry, algebra II and one course requiring algebra II as a prerequisite).

- Laboratory science: three years total (one year each from any of the following areas are accepted: biology, chemistry, earth science, integrated sciences and physics).

Provide evidence of English language proficiency (TOEFL 61)

Accommodation

Provided by partner agencies

Additional information

Program description

The BA degree program in social and cultural analysis with a concentration in peace studies is a unique, transdisciplinary offering that fosters a critical investigation of peace. It does so primarily through a humanities lens, but not exclusively, and it provides an analysis of peace in connection with issues such as gender, ethnicity, race and religion.

Students learn many perspectives on peace and approaches to it, including theories and practices of peace building, nonviolence, and conflict avoidance and resolution. The program builds on the expertise of faculty in the humanities and social sciences in fields such as history, linguistics, literature, ethics, philosophy, sociology, ethnic studies, and women and gender studies.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: West Valley campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150% of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees.

Concurrent program options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a “double major”) earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated program options

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 plus master's degree with:

- English, MA
- Social Justice and Human Rights, MA

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. Students typically receive approval to pursue the accelerated master's during the junior year of their bachelor's degree program.

Global opportunities

Global experience

Students can observe the impacts of peace and war on cultures and communities across the globe. Study abroad, with more than 300 unique experiences, allows students of peace studies to deepen their understanding of global peace through exploration of the impact of culture, race, religion and law on peace-building. More information is available on the Global Education website.

Career opportunities

There is a growing concern for peace building within social and political institutions. As a consequence, numerous jobs now exist in peace-related sectors. The program's emphasis on the social aspects of peace, diversity and identity provides graduates with an awareness of the needs of diverse populations and the discourses that help create a culture of peace.

Graduates possess the skills and knowledge necessary for graduate work as well as for professional and personal advancement in education, writing, policy, law, cross-cultural communication and ethics. Their knowledge can be applied in careers in government, education, business and nonprofit organizations and in areas as diverse as the following:

- civil rights organizations
- colleges and universities
- government agencies
- libraries
- museums
- nonprofit organizations
- the Peace Corps
- political action groups
- research organizations
- social service agencies