



Learn to thrive

**First-year student guide
to fall enrollment**



Your future is worth the investment

When choosing where to go to college, you're wise to look for a school that offers you the opportunity for a lifetime of success. At Arizona State University, we provide just that. From faculty at the top of their fields to academic programs ranked among the best in the nation, you'll learn in a hands-on and innovative environment dedicated to helping you thrive.

Ready to apply for fall 2020? We can't wait to learn more about you. Review the requirements and get ready to submit your application for admission.

[+ asu.edu/apply](https://asu.edu/apply)

Admission requirements

Complete ASU's competency requirements

- 4 years of math
- 4 years of English (non-ESL/ELL courses)
- 3 years of lab sciences (1 year each of biology, chemistry, earth science, integrated sciences or physics)
- 2 years of social sciences (including 1 year of American history)
- 2 years of same second language
- 1 year of fine arts or 1 year of career and technical education

And one of the following:

1180/1600

SAT evidence-based reading and writing plus math

24/36

ACT composite

3.00/4.00

Core GPA

Top 25%

in high school class

asu.edu/admission

How to pay for college

Financial aid can cover some or all of your expenses, but you have to know the various types of aid out there and how to apply for them.

admission.asu.edu/OOS/financial-aid

The FAFSA

Starting Oct. 1 of your senior year, you can fill out the 2020–2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid online to determine how much federal money you're eligible to receive.

fafsa.gov

Estimate your cost

Use ASU's Net Price Calculator and enter your financial information to see how much aid you could receive, and how much may be left to cover.

students.asu.edu/net-price

Free gift aid you don't pay back

Grants

Need-based aid that requires you to file a FAFSA. Free money.

Scholarships

University or private; may be based on accomplishments, personal characteristics or need.

Employment opportunities

Federal Work-Study

Based on need; this is considered earned money you work for.

On-campus employment

Also earned money that you work for. ASU employs thousands of students.

Aid you pay back

Loans

Only borrow as a last resort and do it wisely — you'll have to pay back your loans plus interest.

Top 10 in the U.S. best colleges for the money

– Fox Business

Best value college

– Princeton Review, 2019

80% of ASU students receive some form of financial aid

How to apply for aid

- 1 Create your FSA ID.** This enables you to electronically sign your FAFSA. If you are required to use your parent's tax information on your FAFSA, they must create their own FSA ID.
fsaid.ed.gov
- 2 Submit your FAFSA.** ASU's priority filing date is Jan. 15, 2020. Once you submit a FAFSA, monitor your Financial Aid Tracker in My ASU for your next steps.
fafsa.gov
- 3 Review your Student Aid Report.** You will receive your SAR from the U.S. Department of Education three to five days after you submit your FAFSA. ASU uses it to calculate how much aid you can receive, so make sure it is correct.
- 4 Complete your financial aid file.** If you are selected for financial aid verification, you will be sent an email from ASU notifying you to check your **Priority Tasks** on My ASU for a current list of requested items.
my.asu.edu
- 5 Review your Financial Aid Notification.** Once you're admitted to ASU and your financial aid file is complete, you will receive your Financial Aid Notification outlining your awards. To get your full award, enroll full time (12 credits each semester) — any less and your awards will adjust.

Cost of attendance

(2019–2020 rates)

Base tuition	\$28,800
<small>Based on full-time enrollment on the Tempe campus</small>	
Undergraduate college fees	\$1,800*
Student initiated fees	\$628
On-campus housing and meals	\$13,510**
<small>Based on average residence hall and meal plan costs on the Tempe campus</small>	
Books and supplies	\$1,300
<small>Varies depending on requirements for enrolled courses</small>	
Transportation	\$1,376
<small>Varies depending on frequency of travel</small>	
Personal	\$1,982
<small>Varies depending on personal spending habits</small>	
Estimated annual total	\$49,396

*This represents the highest possible undergraduate college fee. View your actual undergraduate college fee by entering your program of study into ASU's tuition estimator.

students.asu.edu/tuition

**Barrett, The Honors College housing and meal costs will be higher due to the additional costs associated with the Barrett residence halls and meal plans.

Students enrolled in Barrett, The Honors College will have an additional honors college program fee of \$2,000 for the academic year.

ASU first-year student merit scholarships

Upon admission, ASU awards scholarships to incoming first-year students with outstanding academic ability. Criteria for a New American University scholarship includes an ACT or SAT score, GPA, and class rank. See how much you could receive through ASU's Scholarship Estimator tool.

scholarships.asu.edu/estimator

How to apply for scholarships

ASU's 2020–2021 Scholarship Portal opens in early September. Find scholarships that fit you and apply.

Here's how:

1. Submit your test scores.

Submit your ACT or SAT scores to be automatically considered for one of our New American University merit scholarships. See how much you may be eligible to receive.

scholarships.asu.edu/estimator

2. Search for scholarships.

Use ASU's scholarship search tool to filter scholarships for your specific criteria and to complete your scholarship applications.

scholarships.asu.edu

3. Track your scholarships.

Once you're admitted, you can log in to ASU's Scholarship Portal to save and track the scholarships you've applied for.

scholarships.asu.edu/myportal

Experience life as a Sun Devil

At ASU, we believe the best way to find out if a college is the right fit for you is to experience it for yourself. That's why we offer Experience ASU — a year-round visit program that includes an information session about the university, followed by a walking tour of campus led by a current student. Your visit is the perfect time to envision life as a Sun Devil — many students report that their campus visit was when they realized ASU was the perfect fit for them.

ASU offers multiple campus visit events throughout the year on all four of our Phoenix-area campuses, as well as our location in Lake Havasu City.

visit.asu.edu

Quick Phoenix stats:

Phoenix is the 5th-largest city in the nation.

In the top 10 best cities for graduates, and for job prospects, job growth and low cost of living.

– Kiplinger

Phoenix's population is similar in size to San Francisco's and Boston's.

Phoenix is the #16 best city for young professionals.

– Forbes

What students are saying



Natalie J.

Cherry Hill, New Jersey

“My favorite thing about ASU is how the people here do everything they can to make such a large university feel smaller. Even though I am 3,000 miles from where I grew up, I feel at home at ASU. I am surrounded by people that share the same pride and affinity for Arizona State University, and it makes me feel like I belong here and that these are my people.”



Felix H.

Santa Rosa, California

“I love the fact that the sheer size of ASU means that you can find at least a dozen people who share whatever passions and interests you have, no matter how unusual or off the beaten path those are.”

Senior year timeline

Fall semester

July

ASU application opens.

asu.edu/apply

Set up your FSA ID.
Your parent will need one too.

fsaid.ed.gov

August 1

Common
Application opens.

commonapp.org

September

Start applying for
scholarships on Sept. 1.

scholarships.asu.edu

Barrett, The Honors College

Application for admission
opens. Applying early is
strongly encouraged.

honors.asu.edu

October 1

2020–2021 FAFSA opens.

fafsa.gov

Enrollment deposit opens.
Pay the enrollment deposit to
confirm your spot in the fall
2020 class.

my.asu.edu

November 1

ASU's priority admission
application deadline.

asu.edu/apply

Barrett, The Honors College

Early action application
deadline.

honors.asu.edu

Spring semester

January 15

ASU's regular admission
application date.

asu.edu/apply

Barrett, The Honors College

Regular decision deadline.

honors.asu.edu

ASU's FAFSA priority
filing date.

fafsa.gov

February 23

Barrett, The Honors College

Late consideration deadline.

honors.asu.edu

March and April

Take your next steps to
become a Sun Devil.

my.asu.edu

May 1



Future Sun Devil Day

Make sure to pay the
enrollment deposit to make
your Sun Devil status official.

my.asu.edu

Ways to prepare for ASU



Discover your career path.

Check out ASU's all-in-one personality quiz and career advisor that can help match your interests to one of ASU's more than 350 majors. You can even download the quiz to your smartphone.

admission.asu.edu/me3

Write down your me3 results here.

Then explore ASU degrees for programs that will lead you to a career you're interested in so you can design the future you want.

admission.asu.edu/degrees



Find the ASU that fits you.

ASU offers five distinctive campus locations — each with its own size, vibe and academic focus. Our campus fit quiz can help give you an idea of the right location to meet your interests and academic needs.

asu.edu/campusfit

Take the quiz and circle your campus match.



Downtown Phoenix

Thrive in a creative city culture near the state capital, media organizations, art venues and medical centers.



Polytechnic

An academic experience that builds on large open research labs and makerspaces that support the philosophy of learning by doing.



Tempe

A classic Pac-12 college experience in one of the top college towns in the U.S., this campus is home to Sun Devil Athletics, use-inspired research, performing arts venues and more.



West

One-on-one support and personalized opportunities in a close-knit community where almost every face is familiar.



ASU@Lake Havasu

With stunning mountain views and a sparkling lake nearby, your weekends will be filled with outdoor adventure, all while you're immersed in a high-quality learning experience.

Useful ASU links

AP/IB Credit Guide

catalog.asu.edu/credit_exam

Apply

asu.edu/apply

Athletics

thesundevils.com

Barrett, The Honors College

honors.asu.edu

Cambridge Curriculum

catalog.asu.edu/credit_exam

Degrees

admission.asu.edu/degrees

Financial Aid and Scholarship Services

asu.edu/financialaid

First-Year Success Center

fys.asu.edu

Housing

housing.asu.edu

Pat Tillman Veterans Center

veterans.asu.edu

Pre-health

asu.edu/prehealth

Pre-law

asu.edu/prelaw

Residency verification

students.asu.edu/residency

Scholar programs

yourfuture.asu.edu/scholar-programs

Scholarship Estimator

scholarships.asu.edu/estimator

Transfer Credit Guide

transfer.asu.edu/credits

Questions?

Contact your personal admission representative.

asu.edu/findmyrep

Steps to apply

We're here to help make each step toward becoming a Sun Devil a smooth experience. Follow the steps below to apply to become a first-year student at ASU.

Step
01



Complete an undergraduate admission application.

Apply online with ASU's Application for Admission or the Common Application. You need to submit only one application to be considered for admission to ASU.

asu.edu/apply | commonapp.org

Step
02



Submit the nonrefundable application fee.

The application fee is not a processing fee, as it is required of all students and is nonrefundable under any circumstances.

- ASU's Application for Admission — \$70 (nonresidents)
- Common Application — \$70 (nonresidents)

Step
03



Send your transcripts.

You are able to self-report your grades in both the ASU application and the Common Application. By self-reporting, you will speed up your time to receiving an admission decision. If you do not choose to self-report, you will need to have an official transcript sent from your high school to ASU. **Self-reporting is highly recommended.**

Step
04



Request to have your ACT or SAT scores sent directly to ASU from ACT or College Board.

ACT or SAT scores are required for merit scholarship consideration and ASU course placement. Scores are also required for some majors and can be helpful in the general admission process.

Step
05



Check your application status.

Check your application status and any **Priority Tasks** you need to complete on My ASU using your ASURITE UserID, which is sent to you after you apply for admission.

Helpful admission information

Common Application

ASU accepts either the Common Application or our own online application for incoming first-year students. Submit only one application.

commonapp.org

Send your transcripts and test scores

After you graduate from high school, submit a final high school transcript that includes your graduation date, even if you self-reported your grades. Submission of an ACT or SAT score is highly recommended for merit-based scholarship consideration.

admission.asu.edu/self-reporting

Higher admission requirements

If your first-choice major has higher requirements, you will be instructed to select a second major without higher requirements.

asu.edu/degrees

Individual review

If you don't meet the admission standards, you will be evaluated through individual review.

Home-educated students

ASU welcomes applications from home-educated students.

students.asu.edu/homeschool

From podcasts to videos to tips from current students, ASU offers an abundance of resources to help you be prepared.



Adulting 101

A site where you can get tips on things that aren't taught in the classroom to help you transition to college life.

adulting.asu.edu



Inside ASU

A podcast hosted by students, for students.

students.asu.edu/insideasu



You Asked: We answered

Check out the dozens of videos on questions that incoming Sun Devils want answers to.

yourfuture.asu.edu/youasked



Catalyst

Explore research taking place at ASU in a PBS video series produced by current ASU students.

asu.edu/catalyst

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@ASU

ASU is measured not by whom it excludes, but by whom it includes and how they succeed.

– Excerpt from ASU's Charter



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in the U.S. for innovation

ASU ahead of Stanford and MIT

**– U.S. News & World Report
2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019**



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