

Your guide to ASU Online

Same mission, same faculty, same degree, same university

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Trailblazers in education then and now

Arizona's first higher education institution

opened its doors in 1886. With just 33 students, the Territorial Normal School set out to make history. By 1958, the school had grown tremendously and was renamed Arizona State University.

Known for being a leader in innovation, ASU saw the way the world was evolving and, in 2006, launched ASU Online. Created with the mission of making a quality education accessible to all, ASU Online courses can be completed anytime, from anywhere in the world.

GROWTH



96,700+

Today, with 96,700+ students, ASU Online continues to grow and remains committed to ensuring education is accessible, adaptive and personalized.

Why ASU Online?

Every student's journey is different, with each having unique goals, schedules and life obligations. ASU Online understands this and empowers you to earn your degree on a schedule and at a pace that works for you. You're also supported by a variety of dedicated services, including academic advising, success coaching, tutoring, counseling, career services and tech support.

Industry-leading and award-winning faculty

ASU Online courses are developed and taught by the same esteemed faculty members who teach on campus.



"ASU Online has a phenomenal reputation for having a challenging and quality curriculum. I knew that I would receive a great education and be prepared for medical school. I felt supported and genuinely believed that I was taught to learn for long-term retention, rather than just to pass exams.

One of my favorite professors was Dr. Ara Austin. I was going through a tough time outside of the classroom and she offered me empathy and encouragement. She was so incredibly kind, and I still think about that experience to this day."

–Desiree' Brionne Dillard

Alumna, Bachelor of Science in biological sciences



More than **300** accredited online programs

With hundreds of degree options that span the sciences, humanities, arts and more, you can explore your interests and choose a program that fits your curiosities and passions.



Earn your degree on a schedule that works for **you**

ASU Online courses allow you to study anytime, from nearly anywhere. Plus, most classes have multiple start dates each semester, allowing for even more flexibility.

The ASU Online difference

#1

in the U.S. for innovation for 10 years in a row

U.S. News & World Report, 2016-2025

#2

best online bachelor's programs for veterans

U.S. News & World Report, 2024

#3

best online bachelor's programs in business

U.S. News & World Report, 2024

#3

online master's in business programs (excluding MBA)

U.S. News & World Report, 2024

Top 5

best online bachelor's programs

U.S. News & World Report, 2024

Top 10

best online master's in education programs

U.S. News & World Report, 2024



Your education, your way

Success looks different for everybody. As a Sun Devil, you pave your journey according to your passions, and we support you every step of the way. Explore our [undergraduate degrees](#), [graduate degrees and certificates](#) to find your right fit.



The future of higher education

We're constantly innovating to scale access to education, improve student outcomes and enhance the online learning experience.



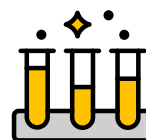
Adaptive learning

Engage in activities and resources that respond to your unique needs. Our adaptive platforms and practices focus on developing what you can do, rather than what you know.



Dreamscape Learn

ASU and Dreamscape Immersive teamed up to revolutionize the learning experience through virtual reality. This partnership allows you to enter immersive learning activities where you engage in virtual worlds and solve problems.



Virtual labs

Our innovative digital learning platforms enable you to learn the same concepts and procedures as traditional labs and give you the opportunity to interact with materials, use tools, apply data collection techniques and create scientific models.



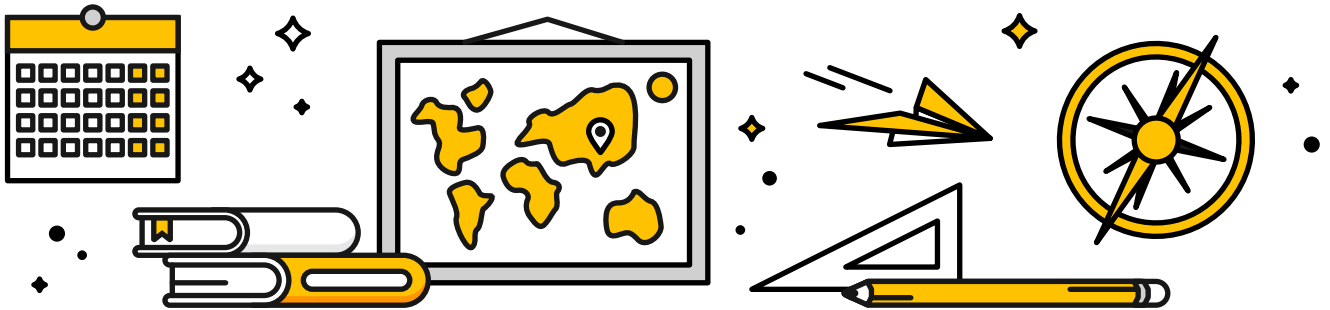
Immersive experiences

Our degree programs offer enriching experiences, such as collaborative group projects, on-campus and at-home labs, internships, experiential learning, study abroad opportunities and more.



Hands-on research opportunities

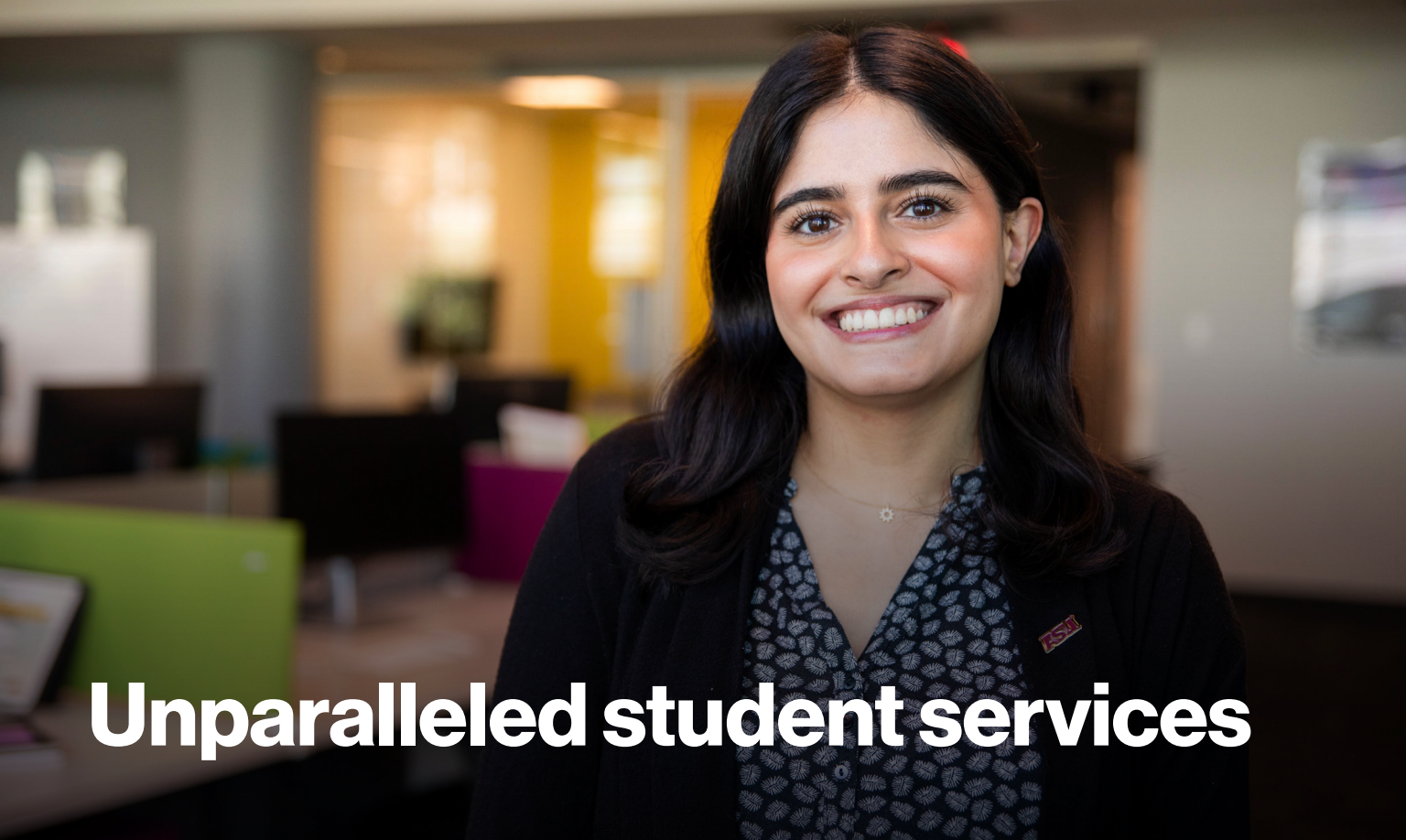
ASU created the Online Undergraduate Research Scholars (OURS) program to provide interactive research opportunities to online students interested in careers in the natural sciences, social sciences and humanities.



“[ASU Online’s] labs didn’t just teach me practical skills, but also communication skills, teamwork and leadership. They gave me the skills needed to succeed in future lab work.”

–Franz Benedict Cangco

Alumnus, Bachelor of Science in biochemistry



Unparalleled student services

ASU's one-university model means you can expect equity and inclusion in all aspects of your experience regardless of your study location. As an ASU Online student, you benefit from the same suite of support services as your on-campus counterparts.

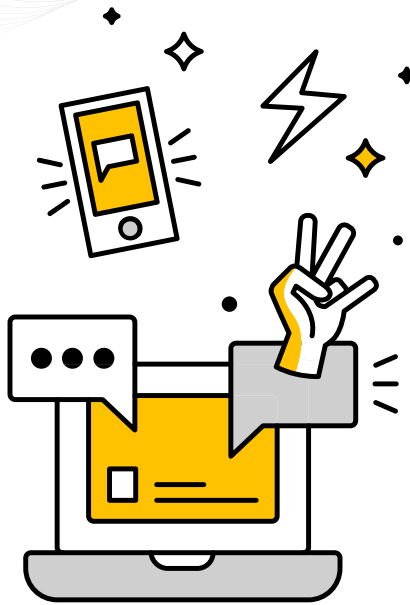
"I talked with my success coach, Crystal, at least once a month. She was an invaluable resource to me during my time at ASU. Crystal helped me overcome many struggles, ranging from personal time management to planning for final exams. No other school I was considering had the number of resources and support that ASU provides for online students."



–Dan Lee

Alumnus, Bachelor of Arts in history

Student services



Your academic success is our priority

Starting on day one, you have a team dedicated to your success and resources at your fingertips. Regardless of your location, you're never alone in your educational journey. Personalized **support services** include virtual coaching, academic resources and more to help you succeed.

Enrollment coaching

Your enrollment coach is your go-to person during the ASU Online application and enrollment process. Your coach is available to answer questions as you take the initial steps to further your education.

Academic advising

Your academic advisor is your personal resource to design your schedule and stay on track for graduation. Your advisor can also be a sounding board for extracurricular activities that complement your major.

Success coaching

Your success coach is your built-in support system assigned to you after you enroll in your first credit-bearing course. Your success coach connects you with opportunities to get involved, offers motivation strategies and provides time management tips.



Online tutoring

Many students take advantage of our free **online tutoring** services. Pursuing extra support in subjects like math and writing can set you on a successful path for the rest of your educational journey.

Additional resources

ASU tutoring center

Receive support in undergraduate courses, writing, engineering and select graduate-level courses. Using Zoom, you can interact with peer tutors who have successfully passed the courses they tutor.

Tutor.com

Through Tutor.com, you can access free online tutoring 24/7 in more than 196 subjects. Quickly connect with an expert tutor via two-way text or voice, and use interactive tools and resources. Access one-on-one support live or use drop-off review services to get expert feedback within 12 hours.



Career services



Counseling services –
360 Life Services



Financial aid



J. Orin Edson Entrepreneurship
+ Innovation Institute



Library



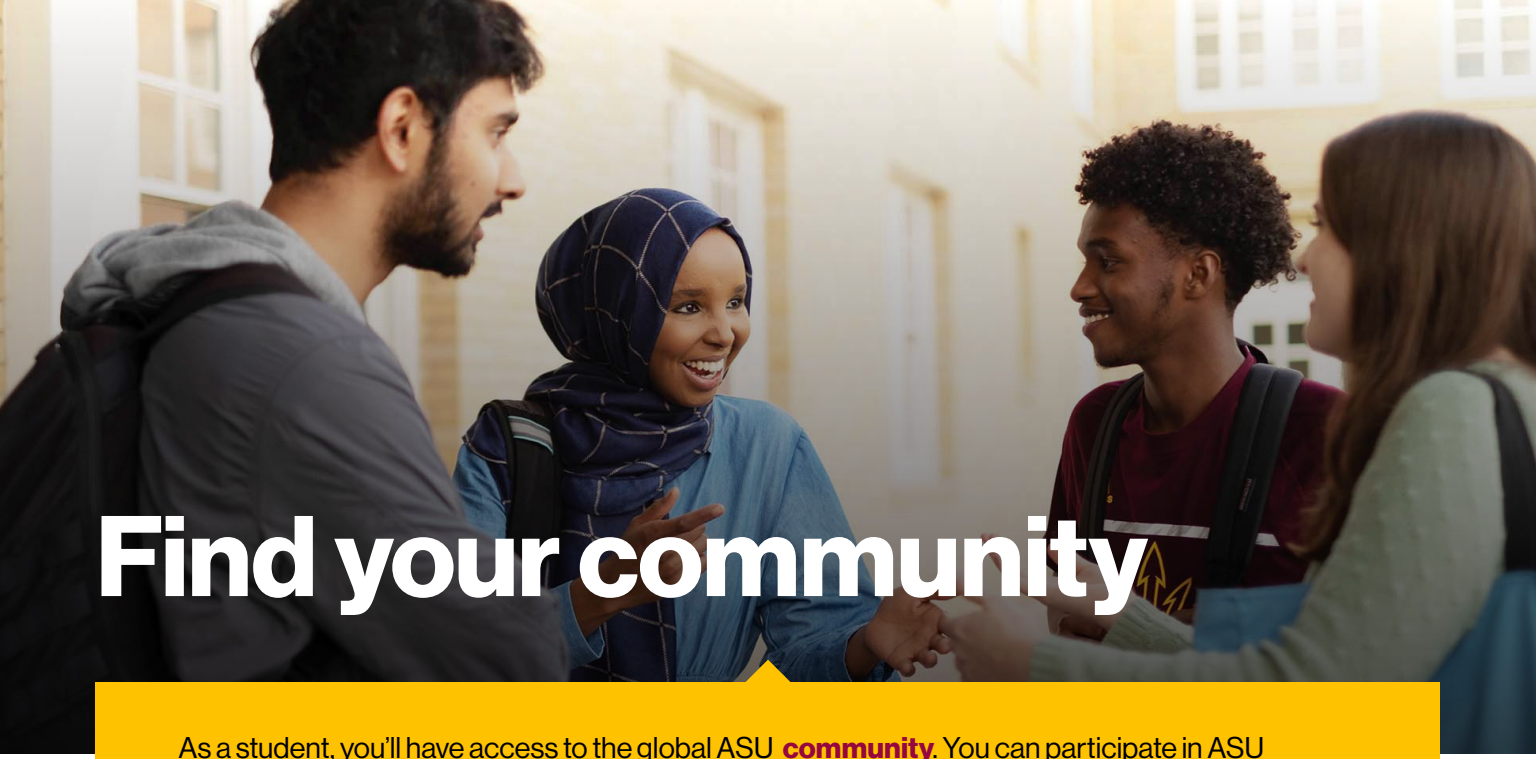
Military-affiliated support



Student Accessibility and
Inclusive Learning Services



Study abroad



Find your community

As a student, you'll have access to the global ASU **community**. You can participate in ASU traditions, engage with Sun Devil Athletics and make lasting connections with your peers.

Connect outside of class

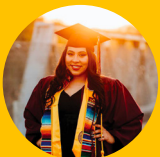
Online clubs

Take advantage of the 29+ clubs created and operated by online students. Explore online clubs on **Sun Devil® Sync**, ASU's hub for student activities.

Sun Devils Connect

Join 12,000+ ASU Online students on Sun Devils Connect via **Facebook** and **Slack** to meet your classmates, connect about your courses, learn about upcoming activities and more.

"Joining clubs allowed me to strengthen my skills in leadership and communication, but most of all, it helped me make friends. Collaborating with my peers motivated me and challenged me to be the best version of myself. I can say without a shadow of a doubt that joining online clubs contributed to my academic success."



—Roxanne Wilcox

Alumna, Bachelor of Science in health education and health promotion



How to succeed as an online student

Use resources early and often

At ASU, you're always supported, allowing you to reach your educational and professional goals while balancing the different areas of your life. We offer a wide range of **resources** to empower you to stay organized, troubleshoot challenges and feel confident in your classes.

Navigate group projects

Wondering how group projects in online classes work? **[Check out these six tips for success with online group projects.](#)**

Tips for success

- 1 Create a schedule:** Account for the time it takes to navigate through your courses and to complete homework and assignments.
- 2 Communicate:** Establish clear communication with your professors. This eliminates confusing information and allows you to establish positive relationships with them.
- 3 Build an environment that allows you to succeed:** Find a place where you can work on your classes free from distractions and build relationships with your peers.
- 4 Learn how to access and use your course technology:** Get comfortable with the platforms you'll be using on a day-to-day basis, including Canvas, Zoom and Slack.
- 5 Remember why you're here:** Set goals to stay focused and keep yourself on track as you work toward your academic goals.

Debunking online learning myths

There are many myths surrounding online learning. We're here to set the record straight about the online learning experience at ASU.



Is ASU Online accredited?

Yes. ASU is regionally accredited to offer all of our online degree programs nationwide via distance education with ASU Online. This means that earning your degree through ASU Online prepares you with the same quality education and diploma no matter your chosen modality.

Am I still eligible for financial aid?

Yes. Most U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens can receive financial aid if they demonstrate financial need and are enrolled in an online degree or certificate program.

To qualify, you must also possess a:

- High school diploma or GED.
- Valid social security number.

To apply for financial aid, you'll complete the same steps as in-person students, including filling out a [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA).



Are programs transfer-friendly?

Yes. Many of our programs are **transfer-friendly** to support you as you take the next step in your education. Join the nearly three-quarters of all ASU Online students who began their college journey at another institution.

Will my diploma say “online?”

No. Whether you earn your degree on campus or online, your diploma will just say “Arizona State University.” That’s because our online programs are taught by the same faculty using the same curriculum as our on-campus programs.



Transform your life

Earning a college degree can positively impact nearly every aspect of your life and career. Research shows that college graduates have more career opportunities, higher pay, increased economic security and greater job satisfaction. There's even evidence that the benefits of a college degree can extend beyond your career and lead to an overall happier and healthier life.

The median annual wage for workers with a bachelor's degree is over \$30,000 higher than that of workers with a high school diploma.

— U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2023

Workers with only a high school diploma have unemployment rates that are nearly double that of workers with a bachelor's degree and double that of workers with a master's degree.

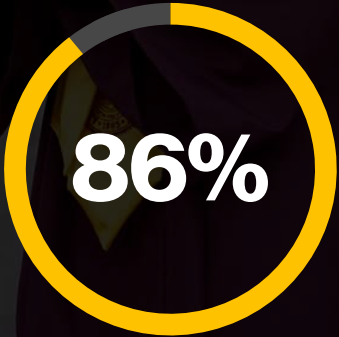
— U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2023

What you can do after graduation

Online degrees at ASU prepare you for the same opportunities as our in-person degrees. You'll gain the knowledge and skills needed to accelerate your career and make a difference in communities around the world.

#2 in the U.S. for
employability
among public universities

- Global Employability University Ranking and Survey, 2024



86%

of ASU's online alumni indicated their degree made them more marketable and gave them more confidence in the workplace



Survey of ASU alumni who earned their degree online between 2018 and 2023



Start or progress your career

"This graduate program and Dr. Yamashiro's mentorship gave me the tools needed to land my dream job. Today, I am a molecular analyst/research scientist in clinical oncology and am ASCP board-certified in molecular biology. Every aspect of ASU Online's program helped me in my career, from learning about project management and understanding how molecular assays work to using and understanding various bioinformatic computer programs."



–Yasmine Baca

Alumna, Master of Science in biomedical diagnostics



Earn another degree

Continue to build your expertise with a **graduate degree** or second **bachelor's degree**. ASU Online also offers degrees that prepare you for law, medical, veterinary school and more.



Start a company

Do you have a transformative idea that could become a business? Apply to **Venture Devils** during school to receive mentorship and funding opportunities that can turn your idea into reality.



Join the military

College graduates can move directly into officer training. You may also be eligible for special benefit programs such as college loan repayment or graduate education vouchers.



Serve communities

Make a difference in national service programs like Peace Corps, AmeriCorps and Teach for America. ASU has recruiters to help prepare you for the competitive application process.





Accelerate your career

ASU offers lifetime career support to all students and alumni. We're here to assist you through every job search, promotion and career change no matter where your professional journey takes you.

In-demand skills across industries

Regardless of the program you choose, you'll build soft skills, such as communication, critical thinking and collaboration, as well as technical skills specific to your major.



PREPARATION

Job-focused education

ASU Online degrees offer opportunities to do academic research, complete internships, gain hands-on experience and earn professional certifications to prepare you for career success.

“Attending graduate school at ASU Online was incredibly helpful to my career. I especially loved the flexible classes and topics relevant to my daily projects and career goals. The Master of Arts in communication program gave me ample opportunities to complete projects that directly correlated to my job and career goals. The whole process was the most streamlined one I'd encountered, from application to graduation.”



–Maddy Fitzgerald

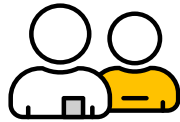
Alumna, Master of Arts in communication



Expert career services

ASU Career Services

provides resume reviews, downloadable handouts, virtual practice interviews, virtual career advising appointments and more.



Global alumni network

The **ASU Alumni Association** has more than 500,000 members and 170 chapters worldwide. Leverage this network of fellow Sun Devils to find professional opportunities and mentors.



Handshake

Handshake is ASU's hub for all things related to careers and internships. More than 30,000 jobs and internships are posted on the site each year in addition to career events.





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