

Foster Youth @ ASU



Who We Are



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Alumni of Foster Care in College

- Unfortunately many alumni of foster care have a bumpy academic road to college
- Wanting to go to college and getting there are two different things
- Growing number of programs to support postsecondary access and success

80%

aspire to go to college

10%

will make it onto a campus

5%

will graduate with a degree

900+

youth will age out of care in AZ



Empower

Online Training Program for Supportive Adults of Foster Youth

Empower

- Free, self-paced, online training course
- Steps to get ready for college & apply
- Financial aid, scholarships & more!
- Videos, case scenarios, tools, & resource guides
- Learning activities for adults and youth
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Building the college-going pipeline for foster youth in Arizona



How The Academy Works



first
star
putting children first™



Academics



Life skills



Caretaker
engagement



Three-week
summer program



12 monthly
academies



12 community
service days

Who Can Join?

- High school student in foster care residing with a family or caregiver in a group or foster home (open case at the time of joining)
- Participation in monthly workshops and summer program in June
- We commit to support our scholars all during high school regardless if case is closed or adopted.



How to apply:

- Student application online at www.asu.edu/firststar
- 2 Adult recommendations at www.asu.edu/firststar
- First Star ASU staff will schedule an Interview

Integrating Middle/High School and University



<https://www.asuprepdigital.org>

Middle/High School Program

- MS/HS program focused on college prep
- Blended Learning Success Coach support
- Weekly live lessons with our teachers
- Students work through online curriculum in Canvas (24/7 access)
- Progress monitoring and parent access

Concurrent College Program

- Access to 200 online ASU courses
- Follows ASU Academic Calendar
- ASU college credits options for HS students
<https://www.asuprepdigital.org/university-courses/>
- Early access to college coursework
- ULC Courses--\$25 to start, see course catalog <https://ea.asu.edu/courses>

100+ online MS-HS courses | 200+ online college courses



Arizona State
University

ASU Prep
Digital
Arizona State University

Language
Arts



Math



Social
Studies



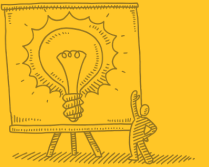
Science



World
Language



Electives



Are we alone?

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The question, "are we alone", is one of the big questions of science today. It is the question at the center of humankind's exploration of our own origins and our destiny.



ASU Summer School Options

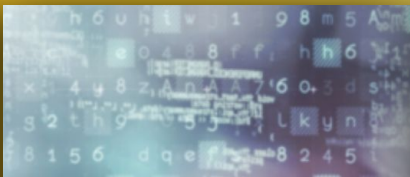
Middle/High School	College Pathways
<p>Instructional-- online classes facilitated by ASU Prep Digital teachers; live lessons weekly, all grading/feedback provided. Grades 6-12</p> <p>https://www.asuprepdigital.org/high-school-courses/</p> <p>\$200 per .5 credit</p>	<p>ASU Concurrent --more than 200 college credit online courses, taught by ASU professors. Placement exams and textbooks required for MAT/ENG/FL courses. 8-wk and 15-wk classes. \$200/credit + \$75 course fee</p> <p>https://www.asuprepdigital.org/university-courses/</p>
<p>Summer Math Lab--online math bootcamp for grades K-12 with ASU Math Teacher support.</p> <p>\$75 per student</p>	<p>ASU Universal Learner Courses --college credit courses, no placement exams, pre-requisites or textbooks required. Pay \$25 to register, then convert credit at end of course if student earns grade of A or B. 8-wk and 15-wk classes Tuition is \$400 flat rate + \$25 course fee.</p> <p>https://ea.asu.edu/courses</p>

ASU Courses for High School Students

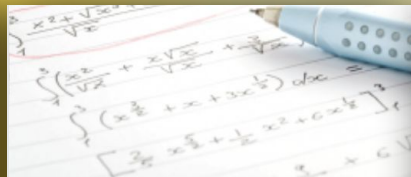




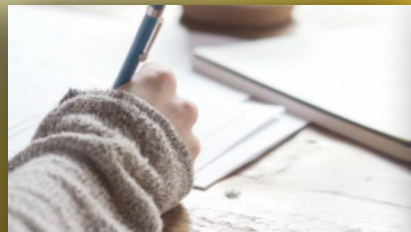
MAT 210
Brief Calculus: Calculus for Business and Economics
This college-level brief calculus course is ideal for students interested in business, economics, or social sciences. Course duration: 15 weeks. Credits available: 3. [Learn more](#)



MAT 265
Calculus for Engineers I: Calculus with Analytic Geometry for Science and Engineering
This college-level calculus course is ideal for students interested in engineering, mathematics, computer science, physics, chemistry, earth and atmospheric sciences, and life sciences. Course duration: 15 weeks. Credits available: 3. [Learn more](#)



MAT 117
College Algebra and Problem Solving
This online math course teaches the fundamentals of algebra and will prepare you for calculus courses as you progress toward your college degree. Course duration: Self-paced. Credits available: 3. [Learn more](#)



ENG 101
English Composition
The purpose of this online English composition course is to help you improve your ability to communicate and to think critically through writing. Course duration: 8 weeks. Credits available: 3. [Learn more](#)



ENG 102
English Composition: Research and Writing
This course teaches you how to effectively execute a research-based writing project from conception to publication. Course duration: 8 weeks. Credits available: 3. [Learn more](#)



CIS 105
Computer Applications and Information Technology
This course addresses how businesses, through competitive strategy, are keeping pace in a rapidly changing, increasingly digital world. Course duration: 8 weeks. Credits available: 3. [Learn more](#)

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ENG 101: English Composition

ASM 246: Human Origins

HST 102: Ancient Civilization: Ancient and Medieval Europe

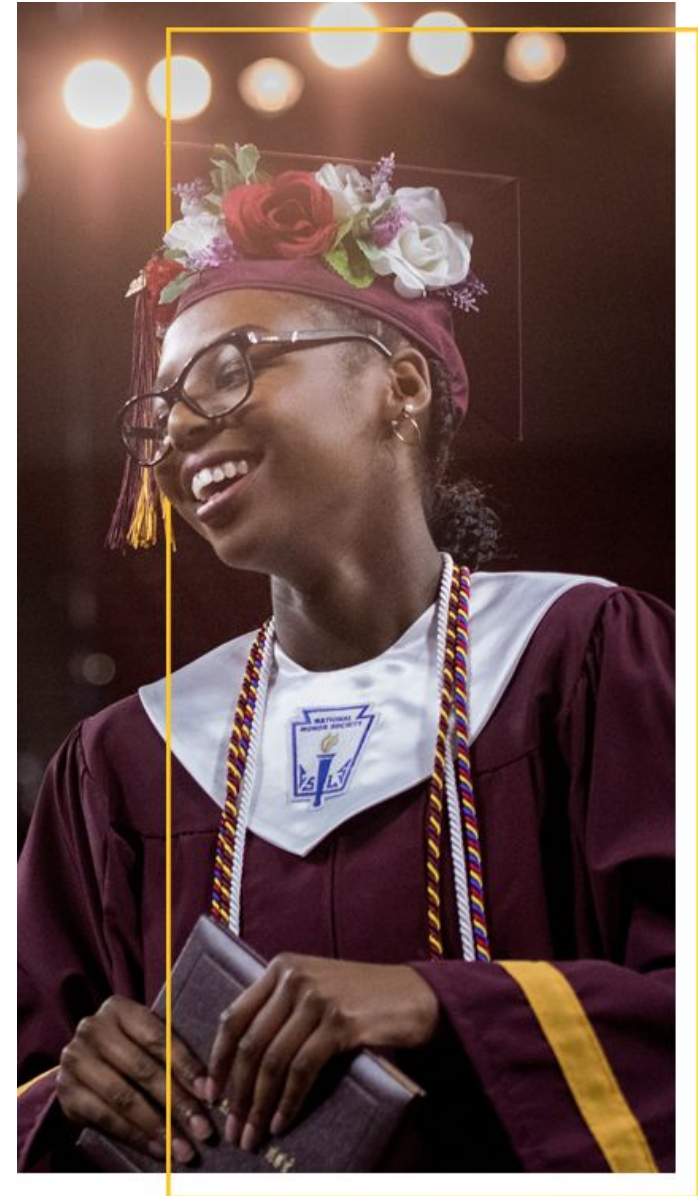
COM 100: Introduction to Human Communication

EXW 100: Introduction to Health and Wellness

Learner Experience

Self Paced and Session Based ULC Courses

- View course catalog <https://ea.asu.edu/courses> > Click on course tile > download syllabus
- No textbooks - all content within the course
- Courses divided into units; next unit unlocks with completion of current unit
- Guided practices and knowledge checks infused in the courses
- Most curriculum asynchronous with some set assignment deadlines
- Workload is 10-12 hours a week
- Peer to peer communication enforced through live sessions and discussion boards





access and succeed in higher education.

ASU Bridging Success

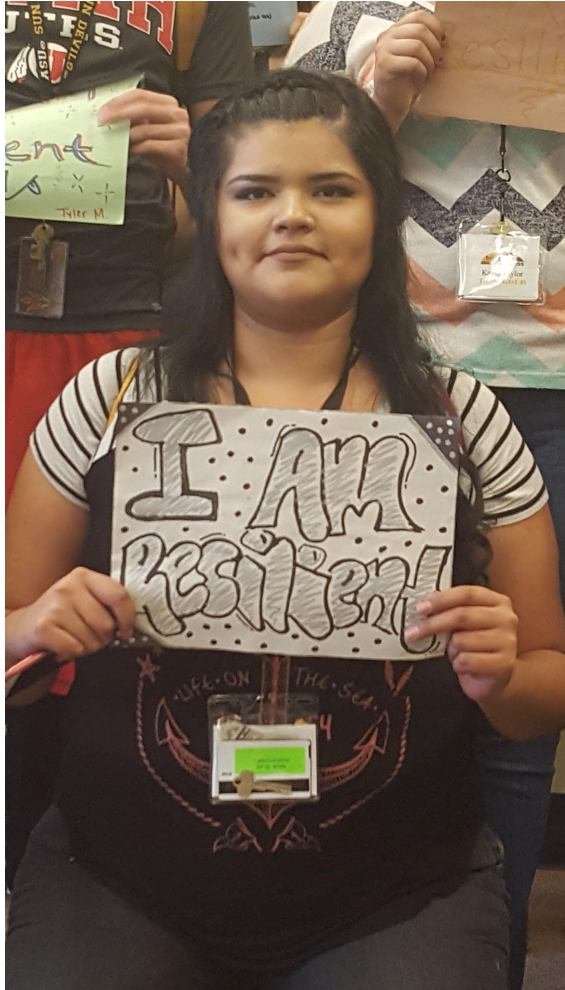
ACCESS

- Educate the foster care community
- Engage with youth in foster care
- Support the FAFSA, college application, & admission process
- Address questions, concerns, & barriers
- Connect youth in care to other colleges/universities

SUCCESS

- Bridging Success Early Start
- Holistic coaching model
- Trauma informed staff
- Connect students resources inside and outside of ASU
- Information sharing via email, text, phone
- Social and Educational Events
- Degree Completion

Bridging Success Early Start



- Free, 6-day, residential transition to college program
- Strengths-based and resilience approach
- Engage students with Bridging Success staff and peer mentors
- Prepare to start school, address financial aid problems, build relationships
- Learn important campus resources
- <https://fosteryouth.asu.edu/early-start>

Paying for College

- Start by filing a FAFSA (Q53)
- Complete application to ASU (fee waiver)
- Pell Grant
- ASU Scholarships & Grants
- Foster Care Tuition Waiver*
- Education Training Voucher (ETV)*
- Private Scholarships

* One application for FCTW & ETV: <https://www.fc2sprogram.org/arizona/>

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Important Dates

**Oct. 1- FAFSA
Opens**

**Nov. 1 – Priority
Admission Date**

**Jan. 1 – FAFSA
Priority Date**

**Feb. 1 – Regular
Admission Date**

**March – May
Private
Scholarships**

Foster Care Tuition Waiver

Arizona's Foster Care Tuition Waiver (FCTW)		
Eligibility Criteria	Costs Covered by FCTW	Costs Not Covered by FCTW
<p>To be eligible, students must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• be accepted to ASU• be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident• be an Arizona resident for tuition purposes• verify lawful presence as described under Arizona's Proposition 300• be under 23 years old• currently be in foster care and at least 16 years old; or• formerly be in foster care when the student was at least 14 years old; or• have been adopted from foster care after the student was 16 years old• submit a <u>Free Application for Federal Student Aid</u> each year.	<p>The FCTW covers the following expenses at ASU:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tuition• Mandatory fees• Applied AFTER other forms of Federal and Institutional Aid	<p>The FCTW does not cover the following expenses at ASU:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enrollment Fee (can be deferred)• Fees for special programs (Examples include: Barrett's Honors College, specific course based fees, etc.)• Housing• Meal Plan• Books• Supplies• Travel• Personal Expenses

Connect With Us!

<https://forms.gle/K2Rbg6GoUnu1aSiCA>



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