Barrett, The Honors College is a community of high-achieving scholars within Arizona State University who enjoy the considerable resources of a premier Research I university combined with the close, personal attention provided by the staff, faculty and deans of the highest-ranked honors college in the nation, according to PrepScholar.

Many Barrett students attend the best graduate schools, have exceptional success in national fellowship competitions, and accept positions with prominent nonprofit and Fortune 500 companies, becoming part of a wide and engaged alumni and employer network.

Regardless of their chosen degree program, students at any of ASU’s four metro Phoenix campuses are eligible for admission to Barrett, The Honors College.

**Student spotlight**

“As a first-generation college student, Barrett gave me plenty of resources and opportunities that helped me navigate my college life and educational trajectory. Not only was I able to bond with other transfer students through Barrett’s signature upper-division History of Ideas course, but I also gained hands-on research experiences and deeper connections with the faculty. This benefited me in my graduate school application and studies.”

– Yishu L., class of 2022
BA in Asian languages and BFA in art (painting)
Currently studying MA in art at Harvard.
Barrett breakdown

ASU degree = 120 credits

6 credits
Thesis or creative project

3 credits
The History of Ideas

12 credits
Enrichment contracts
Special topics courses
Honors sections
Internships and research
Barrett study abroad trips
Graduate-level courses

Remaining credits
Remaining credits will consist of the elective, general studies and major requirements for your ASU degree not already completed.

The Barrett Upper Division honors curriculum is designed for students who have completed approximately half of their undergraduate degree program and are looking to enroll in Barrett during the start of what is traditionally considered their third (junior) year. This upper-division option works particularly well for community college students coming to ASU with an earned associate degree.

To apply for Barrett Upper Division admission, the following criteria must be met:

1. **Already completed:**
   - A minimum of 54 credit hours recognized by ASU.
   - At least 30 of the 54 credits must have been earned after high school or homeschool graduation.
   - Courses in progress at the time of Barrett application review will be counted toward the 54-credit minimum with the expectation that they will be successfully completed.

2. **To complete as an ASU Upper Division student:**
   - At least two years remaining at ASU. Students must have at least two academic years – four semesters, not including summer sessions – and approximately 60 credit hours remaining before intended ASU graduation at the time of Barrett enrollment.
#1 in the U.S. for innovation

ASU ahead of MIT and Stanford
= U.S. News & World Report
8 years, 2016–2023

The Barrett experience

Future plans of Barrett students

47% Graduate or professional school
47% Employment
6% Volunteerism or other

Setting the gold standard

50 Full-time professors in a variety of disciplines
68% Students graduate summa cum laude
26% Double major

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