

Barrett Arizona first-year State guide University



The best of both worlds

Barrett, The Honors College is a residential college at all four of ASU's metro Phoenix campuses for academically outstanding undergraduates. Barrett offers the mentorship of a dedicated faculty and exclusive academic and extracurricular opportunities. ASU's honors college is designed to complement your overall ASU experience by providing additional opportunities within your major or the university at large.

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BEST COLLEGES
U.S. News & World Report
MOST INNOVATIVE
2025

in the U.S. for innovation

ASU ahead of MIT and Stanford

— U.S. News & World Report,
10 years, 2016–25



Four campuses, one college



Downtown Phoenix campus students thrive in a creative city culture near the state government, media organizations and medical centers.



Polytechnic campus students enjoy distinct academic experiences through their access to state-of-the-art laboratories, cutting-edge simulators, and an innovative technology hub.



Tempe campus students have a connected and vibrant experience with multiple living communities close to major companies and research centers.



West Valley campus provides students a small and welcoming community of scholars with many leadership opportunities and support to excel in their learning.

Join the **honors community**

Apply to ASU

Submit your ASU application, either through ASU's website or the Common Application. Once you have set up your ASURITE User ID, you can apply to Barrett. Prospective students should apply to ASU at least four weeks before their preferred Barrett deadline.

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commonapp.org

Apply to Barrett

The application for admission to Barrett opens in early September. You can submit your free Barrett application before receiving admission to ASU. You just need your ASURITE User ID. Make sure to stay on top of important admission deadlines.

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Questions about applying to Barrett, The Honors College?

Contact the Barrett representative based at the ASU campus of your major.

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Barrett by the numbers

7,600+

students in Barrett

350+

Barrett events per year

1988

honors college established

140+

total Barrett staff and faculty

15,000+

Barrett alumni

32%

of students are out-of-state residents



“The Barrett experience was pivotal in my dreams to become the best undergraduate researcher and student leader I could be. Barrett allowed me to access one-of-a-kind research opportunities in service of meaningful change for local communities. But most of all, I was instantly drawn to the multidisciplinary community of peers and professors. This allowed me to become a globally minded thinker and leader upon graduation.”

Risha D.

Mathematics (BS) and mechanical engineering (BSE)
Class of 2024

6 credits

The Human Event
Signature seminar course examining great ideas throughout history. Students take the two-semester sequence in their first year.

Remaining credits

ASU degree requirements
This may include AP/IB/dual enrollment credits.

6 credits

Honors thesis
A yearlong project under the guidance of a faculty director focusing on an area of academic, professional or personal interest.

24 credits selected from

Honors sections
Enrichment contracts
Special topics courses
Internships and applied experiences
Undergraduate research
Teaching assistant and peer leadership
Barrett travel programs
Graduate-level courses

36

honors credits are part of the 120 total credits needed to graduate from ASU.

All majors work with the honors curriculum, which is customizable to suit your needs.

The Barrett experience



Small classes

Barrett students can enroll in honors seminars that are small in size – about 20 students in a class – and taught by full-time faculty.



Three-pronged advising

Honors students have an academic advisor within their major, another within Barrett and a Faculty Honors Advisor (dedicated advising professor) in their field of study.



Professional development

Dedicated staff and professors within Barrett help students leverage their honors experiences to curate powerful resumes and networking profiles, navigate internships, prepare for interviews and develop career skills for any future path.



Research

Barrett students have performed trailblazing research with distinguished faculty and through special partnerships with organizations such as Mayo Clinic and Indian Health Services, and through the Barrett College Fellows Research Program.



Priority registration

Honors students are always in the first group of students to register for classes each semester.



Study abroad

Barrett students are strongly encouraged to participate in global studies, either through a Barrett-specific travel program or the larger ASU study abroad offerings.



Scholarships

The Lorraine W. Frank Office of National Scholarships Advisement is located within Barrett and helps ASU students and alumni compete for national and international scholarships and fellowships that fund research, international study, professional development or postbaccalaureate study.



Student life

Barrett students live on the campus of their major for their first two years. Through organized social, cultural and sports activities, along with travel and service opportunities, honors students find multiple ways to get involved and stay connected.

Thriving Barrett alumni

Graduating from Barrett means doors will open to exciting career paths. Many honors alumni attend the best graduate and professional schools, and have gone on to successful careers in professions as diverse as medicine, law, research and entrepreneurship.

Here's what recent Barrett graduates are doing within 90 days of graduation:

49%

are employed.

37%

are starting master's or PhD programs.

4%

are starting a JD program.

5%

are starting medical or dental programs.

5%

are doing something else (e.g., volunteering, taking a gap year, traveling, exploring career options, etc.).

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