Admission
Students may declare the law major when they apply for admission to the University of Arizona or after their arrival. Interested students should contact the Academic Advisor for Law in SGPP.

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The Bachelor of Arts in Law
The James E. Rogers College of Law (“Arizona Law”) and the School of Government and Public Policy (SGPP) collaboratively offer a Bachelor of Arts in Law—the first and only in the country. The B.A. in Law provides opportunities for interdisciplinary study, marketable double majors, legal internships, and networking in your chosen field of interest. It is the only undergraduate degree that allows you to learn first-year law school subjects taught by law faculty through the case method. In addition, you learn the skills needed to succeed in those courses. This rigorous foundation in law benefits students interested in law school as well as those pursuing law-related careers.

What Students Say about the B.A. in Law
"It is a great program and the first of its kind. I feel more assured about attending law school and know what to expect." —B.A. in Law graduate Ruben Canastillo (Current J.D. student at Arizona Law)

"The B.A. in Law program has been the best educational experience that I have had while at the University of Arizona. The opportunity to work with current law school professors teaching at Arizona Law, while also learning some of the most basic skills necessary for law school, will truly prepare me for success in the next level of my education." —B.A. in Law graduate Korey Cowan (Current J.D. student at Boston University School of Law)

A Rigorous Program and Self-Directed Curriculum
Along with government courses provided by SGPP, law majors take law core courses and electives taught by Arizona Law faculty. The core courses provide a practical understanding of fundamental legal subjects—property, contracts, torts, procedure, and constitutional law—and train you to “think like a lawyer.”

Electives allow you to focus on areas of potential interest as wide-ranging as human rights law, business law, immigration law, family law, international law, criminal law, and environmental law.

Accelerated Graduate Programs
The B.A. in Law offers two accelerated paths to graduate legal education at Arizona Law:

- Future lawyers may apply to the “3+3” B.A. in Law/Juris Doctor (J.D.) Program, enabling qualified law majors to start and finish law school a year early. For more information, visit: http://sgpp.arizona.edu/acceleratedlaw. The J.D. is required in order to become an attorney and practice law.

- If you do not plan to practice law, but want to further your legal education and take advanced courses with J.D. students, the Accelerated Master’s Program allows you to complete a Master of Legal Studies (M.L.S.) in as little as one additional semester. M.L.S. students may choose to focus on a certain discipline through a specialized program (such as family law, intellectual property law, criminal law, or environmental law), or pursue self-designed curriculum in your area of interest (such as immigration, business law or employment law). For more information on the M.L.S. Program, visit: https://law.arizona.edu/mls.

Careers
Even if you decide not to pursue law school and become an attorney, the B.A. in Law can help prepare you for many law-related careers that do not require a J.D., such as:

- Case Manager
- City Planner
- Civil Rights Advocate/Campaigner
- Compliance Officer
- Conflict Resolution Specialist
- Congressional Staffer
- Consumer Safety Officer
- Contracts Specialist
- Environmental Protection Specialist
- Financial Adviser
- Foreign Affairs Officer
- Health/Medical Administrator
- Human Resources Professional
- Human Rights Officer
- Humanitarian Affairs Officer
- Immigration/Asylum Officer
- Indian Self Determination Specialist
- Intellectual Property Research Specialist
- Intelligence Officer/Analyst Investigator
- IRS, FBI, ICE, or DEA Agent
- Legal Correspondent
- Legal Technician/Document Preparer
- Legal Technology Consultant
- Paralegal
- Patent Examiner
- Policy Analyst
- Politician/Legislator
- Public Affairs/Media Specialist
- Social Worker
- Trade Policy Analyst
- Tribal Advocate
- Tribal Operations Specialist
- Victim Advocate/Coordinator
- Water Manager/Resource Specialist

Internship Opportunities
With prior approval, you may also earn academic credit for internships, where you receive hands-on training in law-related fields. Students have interned with such offices as the Pima County Attorney’s Office, Public Defender’s Office, the Arizona Court of Appeals, Congressional Offices, non-profit organizations, the U.S. Department of State, the CIA, the FBI, and the White House.