



THE UNIVERSITY  
OF ARIZONA

# TRADITION *meets* NEW KNOWLEDGE





#6

Public Entrepreneurship program by U.S. News & World Report, 2012

21:1

student to faculty ratio

# MANY PERSPECTIVES. ONE UNIVERSITY.

TOP  
24%

Times Higher Education  
University Rankings, 2012-2013

As a land grant institution, the University of Arizona recognizes tribal sovereignty and honors the indigenous homelands of the Tohono O'odham people in which it resides. The UA respects and values the identities and histories of American Indian/Alaska Native peoples, which is integrated in many of the University programs and services. The UA is committed to improving recruitment and retention, teaching methods and curriculum, and research and outreach in order to enhance our relationships with tribal nations.

We strive to provide a positive academic and cultural college experience for all American Indian/Alaska Native students. The personal stories and cultural wealth you bring to this University enhances our efforts to be an inclusive campus. You and the UA are a perfect match!

While at the UA, take advantage of the outstanding learning opportunities that we have to offer. Your degree(s) validates your commitment to your academic and personal growth, and will impact your ability to serve your communities. Equally important, your Wildcat experience will give you access to influential mentors, leadership opportunities, and valuable social networks. So what are you waiting for? Become a *Wildcat for life* and we guarantee that your UA experience will not only be rewarding, but will make you an outstanding role model for your community.

Bloomberg Businessweek ranked the UA the Best Return on Investment in Arizona

98%

of our faculty hold the highest degree in their field

100%

Over 100 majors to choose from

\$1 MILLION

in international merit-based scholarships awarded every year

TOP  
8%

of 1,000 top ranked universities  
Ranking of World Universities, 2012

#1

ranked #1 in the world for environmental research by Journal: Science of the Total Environment, 2013

#1

First public university to lead a NASA mission to Mars

#19

Producers of Fulbright Scholars nationally, 2013

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## CONNECT TO YOUR COMMUNITY & GET INVOLVED



We encourage all students to get involved with campus programs and clubs. The UA has 500+ student clubs and organizations in addition to those that serve our Native American community. Make friends and find your passion!

### **SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF CHICANOS AND NATIVE AMERICANS IN SCIENCE (SACNAS)**

SACNAS places special emphasis on the needs of developing scientists, both undergraduate and graduate, who represent the next generation of leaders, researchers, and educators.

### **ALPHA PI OMEGA SORORITY, INC.**

The country's first and oldest Native American greek letter organization, chartered in 2006 at UA.

### **AMERICAN INDIAN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING SOCIETY (AISES)**

AISES focuses on outreach to Native American high school and middle school students, through the professional development of its members, and community-building among UA native students.

### **AMERICAN INDIAN & INDIGENOUS HEALTH ALLIANCE (AIHA)**

AIHA seeks to foster the educational and professional experience of indigenous students through diverse avenues of support that are responsive, adaptive, and efficient, and by so doing increase the representation of indigenous students in public health disciplines.

### **AMERICAN INDIAN ALUMNI (AIA)**

AIA supports American Indian students at the UA through mentorship, community service and the provision of scholarship opportunities. After graduation, this will be a great resource for networking, getting involved, and staying connected to the UA family!

### **AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL (AISGSC)**

AISGSC provides a voice for student advocacy; improves the educational experience of native students by promoting professional relationships between faculty, students, and staff; and enhances scholarship opportunities and access to research funding.

### **TOHONO O'ODHAM STUDENT ASSOCIATION (TOSA)**

TOSA supports Tohono O'odham students, provides a place for them to meet other UA native students, conducts community outreach, and increases the attendance and graduation of native students at the UA.

### **NATIVE AMERICAN LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION (NALSA)**

NALSA provides academic support for Native American Law Students, aims to integrate Indian law and policy throughout the law school curriculum, and networks with other NALSA chapters and practicing attorneys throughout Indian country.

### **NATIVE NATIONS IN CHRIST**

Encourages Christian fellowship and spiritual growth and promotes the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ for Native American students.

# FIRST

university in Arizona,  
established 1885

## TOP 24%

Times Higher  
Education

rankings, 2012-

Tucson's rank among  
Best Weekend Getaways by  
U.S. News & World Report,  
2013

## #3

In physical  
sciences  
research  
National  
Science  
Foundation

# HIGHEST

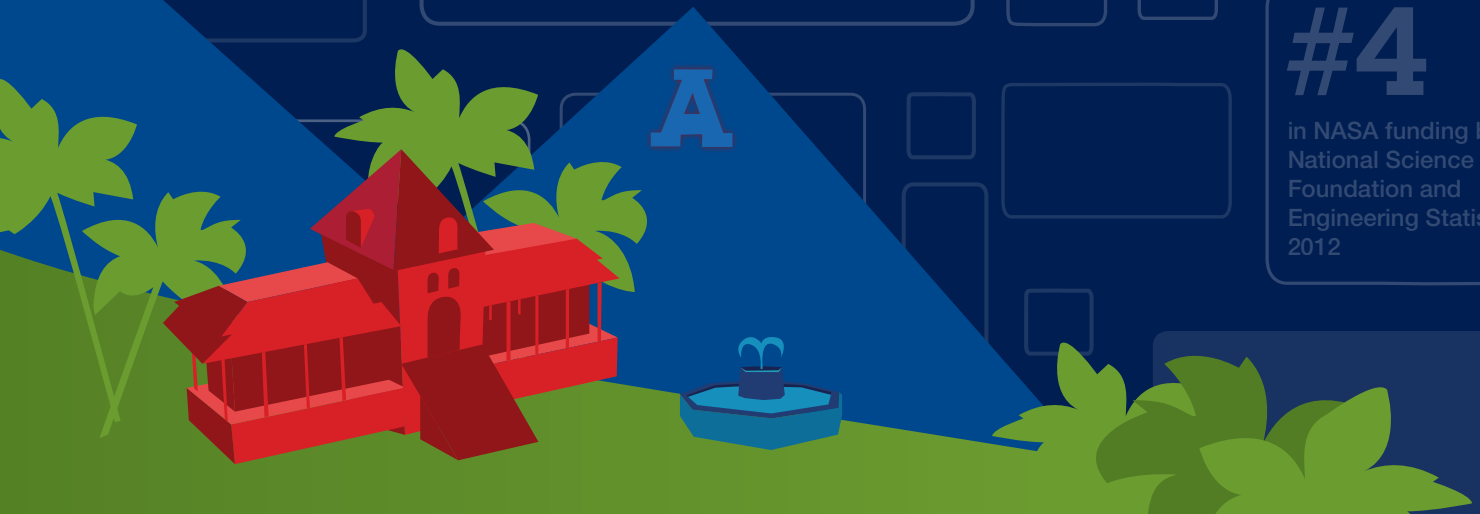
graduation rate in Arizona

## #7

Sociology program  
by National Research  
Center, 2011, 20th  
by U.S. News &  
World Report

## #4

in NASA funding by  
National Science  
Foundation and  
Engineering Statistics,  
2012





## CELEBRATE CULTURE & TRADITION



UA students are always finding new and exciting ways to celebrate Native American cultures, heritage, and traditions on campus. How will you use your experiences to make the campus a richer place?

### NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Celebrate your heritage and share your traditions with the larger UA community through cultural foods, events, music, art and other activities through the month of November. Use this platform to express your individual tribal identity, to represent your tribal community, to demonstrate tribal diversity, and to educate the campus about contemporary Native American stories and issues.

### ARIZONA STATE MUSEUM

Get involved with the museum through its content-rich exhibits and full calendar of engaging programs, lectures, and hands-on activities, including the Southwest Indian Art Fair and Native Eyes Film Showcase.



## TUCSON CONNECTIONS



Tucson is home to many resources and people who live the Native American experience. Here are some of the resources that our students take advantage of while at the UA.

### NATIVE EDUCATION ALLIANCE

The Native Education Alliance is a local grassroots organization that provides free supportive programming to Native American students, families, and communities.

### SACRED GROUNDS TRADING POST

Located across the street from campus, this traditional trading post has a historical feeling of home and offers natives a variety of essential supplies.

### TUCSON INDIAN CENTER

For decades, the center has offered youth and elderly programs, job services, adult and youth education programs, cultural activities, and emergency assistance.

### SAN XAVIER HEALTH CENTER

Their mission is to monitor, promote, and protect individuals and communities with a skilled, motivated, and dedicated Tribal, Urban and Indian Health Service Team.

## UA NATIVE AMERICAN STATS



**13** NATIVE AMERICAN-BASED CLUBS & ORGS

**75** TRIBES REPRESENTED ON CAMPUS

**75.7%** 1ST TO 2ND YEAR RETENTION RATE



## STUDENT SUPPORT

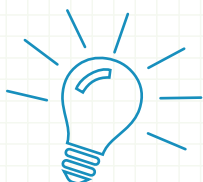


Ensuring that our students have the tools to complete their degrees is a priority for the UA. We offer numerous programs to ease the transition from high school to college, to help you stay on top of your classes, and to help you make connections to campus.

### PRODIGY: FIRST-YEAR SCHOLARS (FYS)

FYS educates new students about the best ways to navigate college – both inside and outside the classroom. We work with students to identify their unique skills and give them the tools to achieve personal and academic goals. Most of all, we give students a place to study, laugh, vent, and plug into a strong network of friends. Benefits include:

- ▶ Weekly workshops
- ▶ One-on-one peer mentoring
- ▶ Access to Faculty Fellows
- ▶ Volunteer opportunities
- ▶ Networking



### EARLY ACADEMIC OUTREACH NATIVE AMERICAN SCIENCE & ENGINEERING PROGRAM (NASEP)

NASEP starts with a 1-week summer program that introduces current high school students to areas of study and careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. The program continues throughout the academic year by providing students with academic support, university research experience, and advice on the college application process. Applications for the program begin in January.

[eao.arizona.edu/nasep](http://eao.arizona.edu/nasep)

### AIS 197: NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT SUCCESS

This is a 1-unit class designed to help the First-Year Scholar Program participants build a foundation for success in their academic work by providing a structured location that meets on a weekly basis so that students can learn academic success strategies through workshops, presentations, and self-reflection.



### O'ODHAM KI: RESIDENTIAL WING

Pronounced AW-THAM-KEE, this phrase translates from the Tohono O'odham language as "The People's House." The wing provides a welcoming, comfortable, and supportive living and learning environment for Native American students. This theme community comprises a wing in Kaibab-Huachuca Hall, which has 11 double rooms (22 beds). For more info, contact Native American Student Affairs at 520.621.3835.

*The O'odham Ki: wing program helped me build a cultural community on campus that I could connect with. It made me feel like I had a home away from home. Residents that live here make lasting friendships.*



**Carol**  
Navajo  
RA for O'odham Ki: Wing  
Public Health/Physiology



**Roxanne**  
Fort Yuma Quechan  
Senior  
Anthropology/Criminal Justice

*I am a first generation college student. I am setting the standard not only for myself, but also for my family. The UA has given me the tools to define my life.*



# NASA

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT AFFAIRS

Native American Student Affairs provides culturally sensitive academic counseling and support services to American Indian/Alaskan Native students enabling them to achieve academic excellence. NASA fosters community and growth among our Native students through mentoring, uncovering leadership qualities, and inspiring cultural values that are vital to our native identity. NASA nurtures student success by encouraging all students to proactively explore and shape our diverse campus community.



## NASA SERVICES

Tribal networking • Mentoring • Financial and academic advising  
 Tutoring • Campus referrals • Scholarships • Emergency fund program  
 Career advising • Intercultural exchange • Fostering tribal identity  
 Leadership and professional development opportunities

### NASA LEADERSHIP BOARD

The NASA Leadership Board is a group of committed students who assist the Graduate Assistant and the Program Director in planning events and programs for NASA and the campus community.

### MISS NATIVE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Miss Native American University of Arizona and her First Attendant serve as ambassadors for the Native American population at the UA. Both women represent womanhood, fulfill the role of "grandmother, mother, aunt, and sister" to the Native American people at the UA, and are able to speak as a leader, teacher, counselor, advisor, and friend.



### NASA CONTACT INFO:

[nasa.arizona.edu](http://nasa.arizona.edu) | 520.621.3835

NASA is located in the Nugent Building, directly across from the Student Union Memorial Center. Because it is right in the middle of campus, many students use the space as a central hub to lounge, hang out, or study between classes.

*My sense of belonging came when I pushed myself to be more involved with campus life. I gained balance by keeping in touch with my Native side. The Native American groups on campus made me feel like a part of the family.*



**Raeging Storm**  
 Gila River Indian Community  
 Sophomore  
 Pre-Pharmacy



**Monty**  
 Navajo  
 Senior  
 Public Management &  
 Policy/Criminal Justice

*After taking a number of courses from the American Indian Studies department, I learned that the University is aware of things like language attrition. The UA encourages students to speak their native tongues and practice the traditions and values of their roots.*

## FUNDING YOUR EDUCATION



The UA is dedicated to making college as affordable as possible for its students. Our Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid works with 75% of all Wildcats to build custom financial plans that will get you to graduation day. We offer scholarships and grants specifically for our Native American students.

[financialaid.arizona.edu](https://financialaid.arizona.edu)



Scholarship opportunities for Native American students are available through the NASA office and through additional sources outside of the university.

[nasa.arizona.edu/scholarships](https://nasa.arizona.edu/scholarships)



Debbie Golden-Davis is a great resource for our Native American Students. If you need a Financial Need Analysis (FNA) completed she is the person to contact.

[520.621.5063](tel:520.621.5063) [dgolden@arizona.edu](mailto:dgolden@arizona.edu)

### FINANCIAL AID

OSFA determines your financial aid award by reviewing your free application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) — so fill it out early!

**JANUARY 1:** FAFSA is available

**MARCH 1:** UA financial aid priority deadline

UA school code: 001083

[fafsa.ed.gov](https://fafsa.ed.gov)

### SCHOLARSHIP UNIVERSE

Want some extra scholarship money? Who doesn't? Scholarship Universe is the search engine that connects you with scholarships you may not have known about. And it's only available to UA students. All the more reason for you to commit to the UA. Score.

[scholarshipuniverse.arizona.edu](https://scholarshipuniverse.arizona.edu)

## ACADEMICS & RESEARCH



The UA is one of the top universities in the nation and offers an unparalleled range of fields you can study. You can even customize your experience through our interdisciplinary programs. Of course, we offer many academic programs for those looking to deepen their understanding of Native American subjects.

### AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES

Available as an undergraduate minor, master of arts (MA), joint MA and Law (JD), and a doctorate (PhD).

### NATIVE PEOPLES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE

Provides comprehensive university-based technical assistance in order to foster support in a variety of areas for native peoples across Arizona and beyond.

### UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES CONSORTIUM

Paid (\$3,000-\$5,000) summer research experience with a UA faculty mentor to help prepare students for graduate-level study.

### PARTNERSHIP FOR NATIVE AMERICAN CANCER PREVENTION

A collaboration between UA and NAU to conduct research, training and community outreach.

### AMERICAN INDIAN LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Engaging educators, schools, Indigenous communities and policy makers in order to revitalize and promote the use of indigenous languages across generations.

### KNOWLEDGE RIVER

The foremost graduate program for training librarians and information specialists with a focus on Native American and Latino cultural issues.

### INDIGENOUS PEOPLES LAW & POLICY PROGRAM

The UA is the only university in the world to offer all three law degrees (JD, LL.M., and SJD) with a concentration in Indigenous Peoples Law & Policy.

### NATIVE AMERICAN RESEARCH AND TRAINING CENTER

Research and training programs available in diabetes, substance abuse prevention, cancer, chronic disease, and leadership training.

### NATIVE NATIONS INSTITUTE

Provides customized executive programs designed to equip tribal leaders with knowledge and tools for native nation building.

### MASTER OF ARTS IN LINGUISTICS IN NATIVE AMERICAN LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS

Assists students in the study of their language within the discipline of linguistics.



## APPLY

When you apply to the UA,  
your application is considered for:

- UA Admission
- Honors College Admission\*
- Merit Scholarships\*

3-in-1 Application:

[admissions.arizona.edu/apply](https://admissions.arizona.edu/apply)

\*test scores required

### Transfer Students:

Applicants must have completed 24 transferable semester units of college-level courses post-high school and must have a 2.0 GPA at the time of application.

[transfer.arizona.edu](https://transfer.arizona.edu)

## TRANSFERRING TO THE UA?

Hear from one of our very own!



**Winsten**  
Navajo

Transfer Student, Junior  
Criminal Justice

*The UA embraces Native American culture; students and faculty are very friendly and want to know more about our culture when they meet us. It's a great feeling to share my culture with students here in Tucson.*

## NEXT STEPS

Already admitted? GREAT! Get started and sign into your Next Steps Center. In your Next Steps Center you will be able to submit your Enrollment Fee, sign up for Orientation, take your placement exams, etc. Log in at [nextsteps.arizona.edu](https://nextsteps.arizona.edu). For any questions, call the Next Steps Center at 520.621.5293.

# COME SAY HELLO!

[admissions.arizona.edu/VISIT](https://admissions.arizona.edu/VISIT)

At Arizona Experience you can spend a full day on campus with us. This program offers conference-style sessions on academics, financial planning, and student life that show you the full UA experience. You can also take a campus tour and talk to UA representatives. If you're not able to spend a day with us, schedule a tour. Our ambassadors will be happy to show you around and give you a look at UA life. Check the website for available dates!



## IMPORTANT Contacts

### OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

520.621.3237

[admissions.arizona.edu](https://admissions.arizona.edu)

**KAREN FRANCIS-BEGAY**, Navajo

**Assistant Vice President for Tribal Relations  
Executive Office of the President**

Strengthens partnerships and advances mutual goals between the UA and tribal nations and creates opportunities to support American Indian/Alaska Native student recruitment, retention, and graduation.

[kfbegay@email.arizona.edu](mailto:kfbegay@email.arizona.edu)

520.626.9809