Frequently Asked Questions

Admission Information? Requests for applications should be directed to Graduate Admissions at 480/965-6113 or gradadmiss@asu.edu. For more information, visit www.asu.edu/graduate/admission on the Web.

Advising? The Graduate College Advising Office is open to prospective and admitted graduate students. For an appointment, call 480/965-3521 or stop by Wilson Hall, center lobby. Students admitted to degree programs should first seek advising within their programs.

Application Fee Waiver? ASU cannot waive, defer, or refund the fee. A decision cannot be made on your application until the \$45 application processing fee is paid.

Campus Map? See the "ASU Main Map," inside back cover; "ASU East Map," page 426; "ASU West Map," page 436; "ASU Downtorn Center Map," page 451; and "ASU Vicinity Map, page 453. The Graduate College (Wilson Hall, center lobby) also distributes maps of the campus and parking facilities. Maps are also available at the ASU Bookstore, 480/965-3191.

Catalog? Once admitted, you receive a free copy. This copy is mailed to you if your address is in the United States, or you may present your letter of admission at the Graduate College to receive your free copy. Catalogs are also available in the ASU Bookstore, 480/965-3191, for a fee of \$4.

Corresponding with ASU? Address letters to: Department or Office Name, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287. For information regarding the progress of your file during the admission process, access the Graduate College Web site at www.asu.edu/graduate and click on Studies at ASU for department e-mail addresses and Web site links, or send inquiries to Graduate Admissions, and the staff will forward it to the proper office.

Degree Programs and Departments? For specific information about faculty, programs, application requirements, and deadlines, contact the academic unit directly, by mail or by phone. Unsure? Contact the Graduate College Advising Office, 480/965-3521.

Employment on Campus? The Student Employment Office, 480/965-5186, maintains and posts up-to-date employment information for jobs on campus.

Financial Assistance? Loans? Assistantships? Scholarships?

First. Your best source of information is the academic unit to which you are applying; its director of graduate study can provide information, guidance, and application forms for scholarships, assistantships, and fellowships specific to that program. Most units set early deadlines and require special forms or procedures.

Second. Information about loans, scholarships, grants, work-study, and employment opportunities is available through the Graduate College Student Financial Assistance Office, Wilson Hall, 480/965-3521. For more information, access www.asu.edu/graduate/financial.html on the Web, or send e-mail to gradaid@asu.edu.

Third. At a college or public library, ask a reference librarian for publications to help you find scholarships and fellowships.

Fourth. If you now attend school, ask your advisor for guidance in finding information on financial assistance in your discipline.

Financial Guarantee? International applicants must provide explicit verification from their banks that funds equal to the amount specified on the Financial Guarantee Form are available to them. (A general assurance of good credit is not accepted.) For more information, access www.asu.edu/graduate/admission on the Web.

Housing?

On Campus. Cholla Apartments house graduate students and should be specifically requested for campus housing on applications instead of other facilities; contact Residential Life, 480/965-3515 or reslife@asu.edu. University housing is available for married students or families only at ASU East campus. For more information, access www.asu.edu/reslife on the Web.

Off Campus. Information is available from the ASASU Tenants/Commuter Students Association, 480/965-6246. Tempe, Mesa, Scottsdale, and Phoenix newspapers advertise many rentals.

I-20/IAP-66 Forms? ASU issues visa forms permitting attendance at ASU only. ASU issues the I-20 or IAP-66 only after receiving an acceptable Financial Guarantee Form and admitting the student to a graduate degree program.

Immunization? Students born after December 31, 1956, must receive a measles immunization or offer proof of measles immunity. Direct questions to Student Health Center, 480/965-3346. For more information, access www.asu.edu/health on the Web.

International Student Association? Call the International Student Office, 480/965-7451, after arriving on campus. For more information access www.asu.edu/vpsa/studentlife/iso on the Web.

Internet Information? ASU Web: www.asu.edu; ASU Graduate College: www.asu.edu/graduate.

Letters of Recommendation? Send these letters to the director of graduate study in the academic unit to which you are applying.

Phone Numbers? Call the campus operator Monday through Friday, 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., at 480/965-9011. Unsure about who to call? Contact a Graduate College advisor, 480/965-3521.

Registration? Contact the Office of the Registrar, 480/965-3171, or the academic unit to which you are applying.

Release of Information to Friends? By law, staff members can give personal information only to the applicant. If you want us to release information to another person, you must authorize us to do so. Send a letter to Graduate Admissions naming the person who may represent you. Sign the letter with your name as it appears on your application form.

Research and Support Facilities? The academic unit to which you are applying is your best source of information about library resources, computing facilities, and research laboratories in your field. Contact the program's director of graduate study.

Teacher Certification? Students who select nondegree and degree graduate programs at ASU are eligible for Arizona teacher's certification. Contact the Office of Student Affairs, College of Education at 480/965-5555.

TOEFL Scores? ASU accepts score reports from *only* the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey, or from a sponsor organization such as LASPAU or the Institute of International Education.

Transcripts? For a full description of the ASU policy on transcripts, see "Transcripts," page 41.



A view from inside the Memorial Union

Tim Trumble photo