

Enhance Your Employment Opportunities

Regardless of the major you choose, the experiences you gain outside of the classroom will help you develop marketable skills to increase your future employability anywhere.

- Internships and volunteer work
buffalo.edu/career
- Part-time or summer employment
buffalo.edu/career
- Assisting a professor with research
curca.buffalo.edu
- Participation in student clubs and other organizations
buffalo.collegiatelink.net
- Writing skills
www.buffalo.edu/cas/writing
- Public speaking on and off campus
leadership.buffalo.edu/course
- Community involvement
leadership.buffalo.edu
- Other workshops
workshops.buffalo.edu

Student Success and Retention
Office of Student Advising Services
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716-645-6013
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sas.buffalo.edu

Resources

UB Resources

Changing Your Major (Major Transitions)

advising.buffalo.edu/change

Choosing Your Major

advising.buffalo.edu/choose

College of Arts and Sciences

casadvising.buffalo.edu

Counseling Services

ub-counseling.buffalo.edu

Undergraduate Advising

advising.buffalo.edu

Undergraduate Degree & Course Catalog

undergrad-catalog.buffalo.edu

Science and Health Resources

American Anthropological Association

www.aaanet.org

American Communication Association

americancomm.org

American Psychological Association

apa.org

American Sociological Association

asanet.org

Explore Health Careers

explorehealthcareers.org

National Institute on Deafness and Other
Communication Disorders

www.nidcd.nih.gov

Science Careers

sciencecareers.sciencemag.org

Exploring Alternative Majors to

School of Public Health and Health Professions

Have you decided that exercise science, occupational therapy or physical therapy just isn't right for you? Or, are you struggling through one of these programs?

UB offers a number of other majors that will also enable you to make a significant contribution to the lives of others. Speak with an academic advisor for guidance in the decision-making process and to see if you're able to stay on track to Finish in 4 years.



University at Buffalo

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Career Services

259 Capen Hall • 716-645-2231

buffalo.edu/career

If it's time for a re-evaluation of your interests and goals or you need further assistance understanding yourself, exploring options or navigating the decision-making process, talk to the experts in UB's Office of Career Services. Here are just a few of the resources the office provides:

- Career counseling
- Workshops, seminars and career fairs
- Self-assessment and vocational interest inventories
- Career library
- UB Mentor Program on LinkedIn
- UBE 202, a course aimed at assisting students with self-assessment, decision-making strategies, career choices and much more.

Alternative Majors

Speech and Hearing Science

122 Cary Hall • 716-829-2797

arts-sciences.buffalo.edu/cds

The speech and hearing science degree deals with the development of various communicative processes, the causes of communicative disorders, the ways in which these disorders manifest themselves, the techniques used to analyze speech, language and hearing disorders, and the methods used to remedy these problems. The two primary subfields in communicative disorders and sciences are speech-language pathology and audiology. The undergraduate major in speech and hearing science is a pre-professional degree. Students must earn a graduate degree in this field in order to obtain national certification, state licensure or teacher certification.

Health and Human Services Social Sciences Interdisciplinary

203 Clemens Hall • 716-645-2245

scsidp.buffalo.edu

Health and human services provides a practical focus for studying about services for the elderly; childcare and early childhood education; and rehabilitative and support services for individuals who are mentally ill and developmentally disabled. The concentration includes statistical reasoning and research methodology components. A significant on site practicum experience is an integral part of this curriculum. Typical graduates find employment in human services or pursue graduate work in counseling or social work.

Psychology

283 Park Hall • 716-645-3650

psychology.buffalo.edu

Psychology is the science of behavior and the mind. In both the BA and the BS programs, the study of psychology provides an understanding of basic processes of sensation, perception, learning, cognition, development and personality, along with principles of social psychology, clinical psychology and behavioral neuroscience. The basic goal of the BS program is to integrate the scientific foundation of psychology with a strong basic science background to better prepare students for advanced training in psychology, medicine, cognitive science, neuroscience and other related disciplines.

Sociology

430 Park Hall • 716-645-2417

sociology.buffalo.edu

Sociology is the study of social life, social change, and the social causes and consequences of human behavior. Sociologists investigate the structure of groups, organizations and societies, and how people interact and behave within these contexts. Graduates with a BA in sociology apply the sociological perspective to such sectors as business, education, the health professions, the criminal justice system, social services and the government.

Anthropology

380 Millard Fillmore Academic Center

716-645-2414

buffalo.edu/cas/anthropology

Anthropology combines the biological, historical and social sciences in a unique study of humankind. It is the only discipline that examines and attempts to understand humankind as a whole and to study the human being as an animal, a social creature and a literate being. Students have the option of specializing in one of the three subfields. Physical anthropology studies the origins, adaptations and evolution of our own species and of our primate relatives. Archaeology studies the historical development of human cultures by analyzing cultural remains. Cultural anthropology studies the innate, shared and transmitted products of social groups. Work settings include government, education, banking, personnel work, public relations, marketing research and human services.

Communication

359 Baldy Hall • 716-645-2141

buffalo.edu/cas/communication

Students of communication investigate communication processes as they occur among individuals, groups, organizations and societies. Students can explore interpersonal, small group, organizational, mass, and international or intercultural communication as a part of their studies. BA graduates often take positions as interviewers, counselors, representatives, negotiators and recruiters in the fields of personnel, public relations, customer relations, advertising, labor relations, public information and sales.

Geography

105 Wilkeson Quad • 716-645-2722

buffalo.edu/cas/geography

The Department of Geography offers courses in health geography and spatial data analysis. In doing a BA in Geography, students have the option to select courses to focus upon understanding patterns of disease clusters, spread of disease, urban health inequalities, access to healthcare, and tropical/infectious diseases. Courses in health geography can be combined with classes in Geographic Information Science and statistics to study spatial epidemiology.

Other scientific disciplines for students strong in science and mathematics: biochemistry, biomedical sciences, engineering, medical technology, nuclear medicine technology, nursing, pharmacy and physics.

Other multidisciplinary fields: A business degree, an economics degree, a special major and many other College of Arts and Sciences majors can provide a variety of skills that will prepare you well for success in the 21st century job market.