## NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY

(Arizona)

**Master of Arts in Sustainable Communities (MASC)** 

(formerly Master of Liberal Studies program)

**Program Path:** 

**IDS Type:** Unrestricted IDS

**Program Type:** Foundational IDS Program

**Description:** The Master of Arts in Sustainable Communities (MASC) program at NAU is designed for those who seek a broad and integrated perspective on the complex issues of contemporary society. MASC is an interdisciplinary program that enables students to create their own course of study to address their intellectual, ethical and practical concerns. All seek to learn how to better their communities and the world in unique and achievable ways. We have tailored the program to accommodate both students who wish to pursue full-time graduate study and those who prefer to attend on a part-time basis because of other professional and personal responsibilities. The program offers courses on a flexible schedule — including summers, evenings, and weekends. Graduates find a wide range of employers with an interest in sustainable community practices. An MASC degree also strengthens existing careers, complements professional training, and furthers personal development. (From website.)

## **Program Structure:**

**Admission Requirements:** Application, Official Undergraduate Transcripts, Letter of Intent (3-5 pages), (3) Letters of Recommendation

**Credit Hours:** 36 credits

**Required Coursework:** 9 credits, Three Core courses (theme of "Good and Sustainable

Communities")

**Individually Selected Coursework:** 21 credits, Electives

Exit Courses & Work: 6 credits, Thesis Work

Established Department(s) of Focus: Open

**Program Statistics:** 

**Faculty:** 6 department faculty members, 15 associated faculty members

**Students:** Resident students only

**Program History:** Established in 1996

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