



# THE MARICOPA ACE PROGRAMS

## ACE Description

The Achieving a College Education Program (ACE) is a nationally recognized program that targets students who may not consider going to college and attaining a baccalaureate degree to be an achievable goal. Upon graduation from high school an ACE student may have earned up to 24 transferable college credits.

## About the ACE Program

ACE is designed to help students make a smooth transition from high school through the community colleges on to a university and completion of a bachelor's degree.

ACE recruits high school students in their sophomore year to participate in the program during their high school junior and senior years.

ACE students are enrolled in concurrent college courses as high school juniors and seniors.

Students may attend college classes during the summer, on Saturdays, or online during the fall and spring semesters.

Students can earn up to 24 college credits by the time they graduate from high school.

Maricopa ACE now serves over 89 high schools.

From 1988 – 2009 ACE has served over 13,000 students.

## The Application Process

1. Submit a complete application to your college of choice consisting of:
  - College SIF (Student Information Form)
  - Completed Application Form
  - Two (2) completed Recommendation Forms
  - Personal Essay
  - Education and Record Information Release Form
  - Unofficial high school transcripts
2. Your completed application will be evaluated per the selection criteria listed in this flier
3. You will be notified by letter on the status of your application:
  - Accepted
  - Alternate list
  - Incomplete application
4. If you are accepted into the ACE Program, you will receive a scholarship offer
5. Contact the college to accept the scholarship

## Program Selection Criteria

The ACE Program is looking for high school sophomores who have taken at least six (6) high school credits at the time of the application submission and who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- First generation to attend college
- Single parent home
- Underrepresented group
- Economic hardship
- Environmental factors, i.e.
  - Works 10 - 30 hours
  - Foster care
  - Lives in temporary housing
  - Teen parent
- Legacy-sibling or relative of an ACE participant

# 11 ACE PROGRAMS AT 10 MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

## Chandler-Gilbert Community College ACE PLUS

2626 E. Pecos Rd. (Pecos & Gilbert), Chandler  
Program for Learning Universal Skills  
General Studies

**Contact:** ACE office, 480-732-7205  
laura.matyas@cgcmail.maricopa.edu

## Estrella Mountain Community College

### ACE Math/Science Scholars

3000 N. Dysart Rd. (Dysart & Thomas), Avondale  
Math & Science

**Contact:** ACE office, 623-935-8487  
aceprogram@estrellamountain.edu

## GateWay Community College ACE Career Track

108 N. 40th St. (40th & Washington), Phoenix  
Health Care, Business, Design Technology,  
& Social Work/Transfer

**Contact:** ACE office, 602-286-8195  
calderon@gatewaycc.edu

## Glendale Community College ACE PLUS

6000 W. Olive Ave. (59th Ave. & Glendale), Glendale  
General Studies

**Contact:** ACE office, 623-845-3094  
aceplus@gcmail.maricopa.edu

## Mesa Community College ACE

1833 W. Southern Ave. (Southern & Dobson), Mesa  
General Studies & Service Learning

**Contact:** ACE office, 480-461-7927  
dl-mc-ace@mcmail.maricopa.edu

## Paradise Valley Community College ACE

18401 N. 32nd St. (32nd St. & Union Hills), Phoenix  
General Studies & Community Service

**Contact:** ACE office, 602-787-7163  
ace@pvmail.maricopa.edu

## Phoenix College PC ACE

1202 W. Thomas Rd. (15th Ave. & Thomas), Phoenix  
General Studies

**Contact:** ACE office, 602-285-7743  
ace@pcmail.maricopa.edu

## Rio Salado College Adult ACE

Call ACE office for nearest location  
GED completion and Developmental Ed  
for students 16 and older

**Contact:** ACE office, 480-377-4064  
adult.ace@riosalado.edu

## Rio Salado College ACE Puente

2323 W. 14th St. (14th St. & 52nd St.), Tempe  
ACE Puente for high school students  
General Studies (on-line, hybrid courses)

**Contact:** ACE Puente, 480-517-8378  
ace.puente@riosalado.edu

## Scottsdale Community College ACE Program

9000 E. Chaparral Rd. (Chaparral & Loop 101), Scottsdale  
General Studies

**Contact:** ACE office, 480-423-6497/480-423-6138  
ace.program@sccmail.maricopa.edu

## South Mountain Community College ACE

7050 S. 24th St. (24th & Baseline), Phoenix  
General Studies, CISCO, BIO Science, & Math

**Contact:** ACE office: 602-243-8276  
ace@smcmail.maricopa.edu



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