



## EARN COLLEGE CREDITS WHILE STILL IN HIGH SCHOOL!

This exciting program is designed for motivated high school students (sophomores, juniors and seniors) with good academic and attendance records who wish to get a jump start on college. Students must also possess the readiness for and commitment to rigorous college coursework. While still in high school, students will make progress toward earning their AGEC Certificate or Associate's Degree, typically enrolling in 6-9 credits a semester.



### Eligibility Requirements

- Puma Early College Application
- Required Documentation
  - ◊U.S. Birth Certificate and Photo ID (current high school photo ID, Arizona State ID, or Arizona Driver's License/Permit)
  - OR,
  - ◊U.S. Passport, Foreign Passport with United States Visa, Permanent Residency.
- Unofficial High School Transcript with a minimum of 2.6 GPA
- Two letters of recommendation from a counselor or instructor from your school
- Short Personal Essay



### Benefits

- Earn college and high school credit simultaneously
- Save money on college tuition and textbooks
- Reduce college completion time
- Scholarship available to those who meet income eligibility requirements

### PVCC Puma Early College Partners

- Paradise Valley Unified School District
- Cave Creek Unified District
- Deer Valley Unified School District
- Home School Educators



*"Puma Early College helped me prepare for the future in ways I could not have imagined. The program helped me connect with not only people my age, but professionals in various industries as well. I am very grateful for the opportunities and connections that PUMA Early College provided me with."*





### PUMA EARLY COLLEGE SAMPLE SCHEDULE

TERM	PARADISE VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	HIGH SCHOOL		
<b>Junior Year High School</b>				
SUMMER TERM	Communication Creating College Success	COM110 FYE103	3 Credits 3 Credits	HS Electives
FALL TERM	Computers Psychology	CIS105 PSY101	3 Credits 3 Credits	English , Math, American History Language (or other HS class)
SPRING TERM	First Year Composition Humanities	ENG101 MHL155	3 Credits 3 Credits	English, Math, American History Language (or other HS class)
<b>Senior Year High School</b>				
SUMMER TERM	Science Lecture & Lab	ENG102 TBD	3 Credits 4 Credits	English, Science (or other HS class)
FALL TERM	First Year Composition Communication Humanities	COM225 TBD	3 Credits 3 Credits	Government/Economics, Mathematics, and HS electives
SPRING TERM	Science Lecture & Lab Math	MAT140 or higher TBD	3-5 Credits 4 Credits	Government/Economics, Mathematics, and HS electives
<b>ARIZONA GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM COMPLETE</b>				
<b>FALL TERM</b> 13-15 CREDITS		<b>SPRING TERM</b> 13-15 CREDITS		
While participating in the Puma Early College Program the student may accomplish a completion of Arizona General Education Curriculum (AGEC) certificate. Also, if you are a student participating in any Maricopa Community Colleges with dual enrollment program, credits are transferable to PVCC.				
<b>GRADUATE FROM PVCC WITH ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE!</b>				
Complete an additional 25-30 credits needed for an Associate's degree (60-64 credits) and transfer to a University for a Bachelor's degree. Most programs at the three Arizona universities allow a maximum transfer of 64 community college credits. Some universities and/or Maricopa transfer partners allow more credits to be completed at the Community College level.				

**Please connect with our Puma Early College Coordinator if you have any questions:  
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