



## A Welcome From The President

Welcome to Paradise Valley Community College (PVCC). On behalf of the faculty and staff, I extend a warm welcome to our college. We have been providing a quality higher education experience for the residents of North Phoenix and the greater northern Maricopa county community for the past twenty-four years. We are also pleased that our new Black Mountain Campus (located at 60th Street and Carefree Highway) will begin its third year of operation. In this catalog we introduce you to our college, which offers courses and programs designed with your success in mind. Whether your goals are to transfer to a four-year university, to prepare for a career, or to enhance your skills, PVCC has an associate degree or certificate program that is right for you.

We invite you to discover “The Power of Learning” at PVCC. Our motto reflects a focus as a learning-centered college. Our goal is to create educationally meaningful activities that engage, motivate and inspire you as a learner. Specifically, it is important for you to have purposeful intent and to be prepared to learn.

At PVCC we view student development and learning as interconnected processes that challenge you to take an active role in educating yourself intellectually, ethically, emotionally, socially and physically. If there’s something we know about college students, it’s that the most successful ones plan their goals and monitor their progress. Successful students know that college is not a spectator sport, so they engage in the classroom, meet with their academic advisors and participate in college activities—and their results are amazing! Our “Get a G.R.I.P.” agenda for Student Success and Learning, helps you identify, right from the start, where you’re going and ties together how your in-class and out-of-class experiences will get you there. Additionally, to help you succeed, PVCC has created iGoal, a web-based, goal-setting program designed to help you define, clarify and document your goals. iGoal guides you, step by step, through the goal writing process so you can plan and monitor your success.

This catalog is a resource to assist you in making your educational decisions. It provides information on programs, classes, policies and procedures. If you have any questions, please meet with one of your faculty members or one of our student affairs staff.

We wish you success in the attainment of your goals and welcome you to Paradise Valley Community College!

Sincerely,

Paul Dale, Ed.D.  
President