



## Office of Admissions

To: Pima County High School Counseling Teams  
UA Campus Advising Community

From: Kasey Urquidez, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management

CC: Pima Community College Chancellor's Office & Advising Community

Date: October 9, 2012

RE: The University of Arizona and Pima Community College Partnership Update

The University of Arizona and Pima Community College have several partnerships. We are proud of the work we do together to build a pipeline of successful transfer students interested in obtaining a baccalaureate degree. This memo is to provide you with two timely updates regarding our partnerships.

The University of Arizona at Pima Community College (UA@PCC) began in fall 2012. This pilot program was offered only to Pima County high school graduates and is a structured, cohort-based pathway towards a baccalaureate degree. Students from Pima County, who applied for admission to the University of Arizona, but who did not meet academic criteria for admission, were eligible for the program. For fall 2013, the UA@PCC program will not be admitting new students as we will follow the fall 2012 cohort and work closely with these students to stay on the transfer path. Students will continue to have access to UA student services and we will maintain regular communication with the students throughout the entire transfer process. Mary Venezia, project manager, will continue to work closely with PCC and the students in the program so UA college partners are prepared to assist the UA@PCC students when they are ready to transfer.

Joint Admission, a program that has been in existence for many years, was created to serve students choosing to start their bachelor's degree at PCC but planning to transfer and graduate from the UA. Joint Admission is no longer accepting new students as the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has expired. Please note that students already in the program will continue to be served. The Office of Undergraduate Admissions is working to create a new collaboration with PCC that will be a more streamlined "Intent to Transfer" program to better serve students and support the transfer process. This program, UA Bridge, is about to be launched with the Maricopa County Community College District and will be available to Pima students in the near future. We will continue to have full-time admissions representatives available at the Downtown Campus and West Campus Monday-Friday. More details will be sent about UA Bridge soon.

If you have questions about UA@PCC, please contact Mary Venezia. Her direct line is 520.621.8796, or by email [venezia@email.arizona.edu](mailto:venezia@email.arizona.edu). If you have questions about UA Bridge, please contact Nakaya Manning. Her direct line is 520.206.6991, or by email [nmanning@email.arizona.edu](mailto:nmanning@email.arizona.edu). We look forward to more collaboration with Pima Community College as we continue to support transfer students!