Welcome to the 2017-2018 South Mountain Community College catalog!

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to South Mountain Community College (SMCC). As the South Mountain Community College mission statement suggests, we promote student success through academic programs and student support initiatives.

Whether you are just graduating high school, climbing the career ladder, seeking new skills or trying to discover your path, South Mountain Community College is committed to your success. This catalog was created to be a valuable resource for you. Refer to it often to familiarize yourself with our programs, classes, policies and services.

Since its founding in 1978, SMCC has proudly served the communities of south Phoenix, Ahwatukee, Chandler, Tempe, Guadalupe and Laveen. In 2013, a new partnership was created with the Gila River Indian Community, and we continue to serve the community members on the Reservation with programming that integrates Native traditions and cultural elements.

The faculty and staff at SMCC care deeply about your individual success. As a strengths-based institution, we are dedicated to helping you determine and understand your own personal strengths, and will help you maximize them in the pursuit of your educational and career aspirations. In order to meet your goals, we provide personalized services and engaged, active learning that will help you meet your goals.

Whether you are here with plans to transfer to a four-year institution, prepare for a career or enhance your personal or professional skills, SMCC has something to offer you.

Sincerely,

Shari Olson, EdD
President

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# 2017-2018 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## SUMMER SEMESTER – 2017

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<td>Mon Oct 9</td>
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<td>Observance of Veterans Day</td>
<td>Fri Nov 10</td>
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<td>Thanksgiving Holiday</td>
<td>Thu-Sun Nov 23-26</td>
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<td>++Last Day Student Initiated Withdrawal Accepted</td>
<td>Sun Dec 10</td>
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<td>Final Exams**</td>
<td>Mon-Thurs Dec 11-14</td>
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<td>Mid-Year Recess Begins for Students</td>
<td>Fri Dec 15</td>
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<td>Classes Begin</td>
<td>Sat Jan 13</td>
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<td>Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday</td>
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<td>Mon Feb 19</td>
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<td>Fall 2018 Priority Registration for Currently Enrolled Students</td>
<td>Mon Mar 5</td>
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<td>Last Day to File Application for May 2018 Graduation</td>
<td>Fri Feb 26</td>
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<td>Last Day for Withdrawal without Instructor’s Signature</td>
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<td>Mon-Sun Mar 12-18</td>
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**Classes meeting on Friday evening only, Saturday only, or Sunday only will have final examinations during their last regular class meeting. + See your student schedule in my.maricopa.edu for the Last Day to Withdraw without an Instructor Signature for each class in which you are enrolled. ++ Refer to the Important Deadlines for Students section of the student handbook to determine the last day for student initiated withdrawal.**
CRITICAL READING (CRE)
CRE101 – College Critical Reading and Critical Thinking
LEC // 3 CREDITS // 3 PERIODS
Develop and apply critical thinking skills through critically reading varied and challenging materials. Includes analysis, evaluation, interpretation, and synthesis through at least two substantial writing and/or speaking tasks. Prerequisites: (A grade of C or better in ENG101 or ENG107) and (appropriate reading placement test score or a grade of C or better in RDG091 or RDG095 or RDG100 or RDG111 or RDG112 or RDG113 or permission of Instructor). General Education Designation: Literacy and Critical Inquiry – [L]
Editor’s Note: CRE101 may be offered concurrently with ENG102.

ENGLISH (ENG)
ENG081 – Preparatory Academic Writing II
LEC // 3 CREDITS // 3 PERIODS
Emphasizes preparation for college-level composition and related reading tasks with a focus on critical writing, reading, and thinking skills and processes. Prerequisites: Appropriate writing placement test score, or a grade of “C” or better in ENG071 or ESL077, or permission of Department or Division.
Editor’s Note: ENG081 may be offered concurrently with ENG091.

ENG091 – Preparatory Academic Writing III
LEC // 3 CREDITS // 3 PERIODS
Emphasizes preparation for first year composition with a focus on critical writing, reading, and thinking skills and processes at an increased level of academic complexity. Prerequisites: Appropriate writing placement test score, or a grade of “C” or better in ENG081 or ESL087, or permission of Department or Division.
Editor’s Note: ENG091 may be offered concurrently with ENG081 and/or ENG101.

ENG101 – FIRST YEAR COMPOSITION
LEC // 3 CREDITS // 3 PERIODS
Emphasis on rhetoric and composition with a focus on expository writing and understanding writing as a process. Establishing effective college-level writing strategies through four or more writing projects comprising at least 3,000 words in total. Prerequisites: Appropriate writing placement test score, or a grade of “C” or better in ENG091 or ESL097. Arizona Shared Unique Number SUN#: ENG 1101
General Education Designation: First-Year Composition [FYC]
Editor’s Note: ENG101 may be offered concurrently with CRE101 and/or ENG091.

ENG102 – First-Year Composition
LEC // 3 CREDITS // 3 PERIODS
Emphasis on rhetoric and composition with a focus on persuasive, research-based writing and understanding writing as a process. Developing advanced college-level writing strategies through three or more writing projects comprising at least 4,000 words in total. Prerequisites: Grade of C or better in ENG101.
General Education Designation: First-Year Composition [FYC]
Arizona Shared Unique Number SUN#: ENG 1102
Editor’s Note: ENG102 may be offered concurrently with CRE101 and/or IFS110.

INFORMATION STUDIES (IFS)
IFS110 – Critical Research for College Success
LEC // 1 CREDIT // 1 PERIOD
Access, evaluate, and incorporate sources appropriately into academic projects. Prerequisites: None. Course Notes: IFS110 may be repeated for a total of four (4) credit hours.
Editor’s Note: IFS110 may be offered concurrently with ENG102.

MATHEMATICS (MAT)
MAT121 – Intermediate Algebra
LEC // 4 CREDITS // 4 PERIODS
Analysis of rational, radical, quadratic and exponential equations, functions and applications; graphs of radical, quadratic and exponential functions; operations on polynomial, rational, and radical expressions. Prerequisites: An appropriate mathematics placement score, OR a grade of “C” or better for MAT090, or MAT091, or MAT092, OR (an appropriate diagnostic score, or a grade of “C” or
better in each of the following courses: MAT055, MAT056, and MAT057).
Course Notes: Students may receive credit for only one of the following: MAT120, MAT121, or MAT122.
Editor's Note: MAT121 may be offered concurrently with MAT151.

MAT151 – College Algebra/Functions
LEC // 4 CREDITS // 4 PERIODS
Analysis and interpretation of the behavior and nature of functions including polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic, power, absolute value, and piecewise-defined functions; systems of equations, using multiple methods including matrices, modeling and solving real world problems, and defining and illustrating sequences and series.
Note: May receive credit for only one of the following:
MAT150, MAT151, MAT152, or MAT187. General Education Designation: Mathematics - [MA] Prerequisites: A grade of "C" or better in MAT120, or MAT121, or MAT122, or satisfactory score on District placement exam.
General Education Designation: Mathematics [MA] Arizona Shared Unique Number SUN#: MAT 1151
Editor's Note: MAT151 may be offered concurrently with MAT121.

READING (RDG)
RDG081 – Reading Improvement
LEC // 3 CREDITS // 3 PERIODS
Designed to improve basic reading skills. Includes word recognition, interdisciplinary vocabulary development, recognizing patterns of organization, interpreting inference. Reviews interpreting graphic materials. Emphasis on identifying main ideas and related details.
Prerequisites: Appropriate reading placement test score, or grade of "C" or better in RDG071, or permission of Instructor.
Editor's Note: RDG081 may be offered concurrently with RDG100.

RDG100 – Successful College Reading
LEC // 3 CREDITS // 3 PERIODS
Emphasis on reading study strategies for any introductory class in any subject area. Introduction to Learning Management System (LMS), how to successfully read course textbooks and assessments, how to navigate information technology and development of academic vocabulary. Prerequisites: A grade of "C" or better in RDG081 or appropriate reading placement score or permission of Instructor. Corequisites: Any 100-level course in another content area or permission of Instructor.
Editor's Note: RDG100 may be offered concurrently with RDG081.
CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION IN BUSINESS MICRO-FINANCE (5892) CREDITS: 16-18

DESCRIPTION: The Certificate of Completion (CCL) in Business Micro Finance program is designed to introduce individuals to entrepreneurship, financial literacy, business planning, venture pitching, and business operations skills. Upon completion, student-entrepreneurs will have an opportunity to work with a local financial institution to apply for a micro-finance small business loan from $500 to $2,500. The funds may be used for business start-up activities such as licensing, compliance, web site, or marketing materials. Examples of using the Funds for business growth include adding business ecommerce capabilities, equipment, or raw material costs.

Program Notes:
Includes completion of Entrepreneurial Studies Level I CCL (5819N).
Required Courses of Entrepreneurial Studies: Level I CCL Credits: 10-11
EPS150 Introduction to Entrepreneurship 3
EPS160 New Venture Creation 2

EPS180 Technology Business Planning (3) OR
EPS195 Business Start-Up and Planning (2) 2-3

GBS/HEC132 Personal and Family Financial Security 3
Editor's Note: The CCL (5819) is not eligible for Title IV Federal Financial Aid.

+ indicates course has prerequisites and/or corequisites.
Students must earn a grade of "C" or better required for all courses within the program.
All lending is done by third party community partners. Maricopa Colleges are not authorized to take, accept, review, approve or fund any loan under this program.
Student must be of legal majority age to sign loan documents.

REQUIRED COURSES: CREDITS: 16-18
EPS150 Introduction to Entrepreneurship 3
EPS160 New Venture Creation 2
EPS162 Introduction to Social Entrepreneurship 3
EPS195 Business Start-Up and Planning 2
GBS/HEC132 Personal and Family Financial Security 3

SBS200 Small Business Operations 2
STO289AB Using Storytelling in Business Settings (1) OR
GBS120 Workplace Communication Skills (3) 1-3