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# Maricopa County Community College Voter Engagement Plan: Phoenix College

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## Overview

Under [A.R.S. 15-1895](#), the Arizona board of regents in consultation with the recognized student government of the universities under its jurisdiction and each community college district governing board in consultation with the recognized student government at a community college under its jurisdiction shall adopt a plan to increase student voter registration and voting in elections that includes:

1. Information about on-campus voter registration and voting opportunities made available in at least one of the following methods:
  - (a) During new student orientation.
  - (b) During the issuance of student identification cards.
  - (c) In admissions packets.
2. Voter registration materials at central campus locations and high traffic areas.
3. Broad dissemination of information regarding:
  - (a) Voter registration deadlines.
  - (b) Deadlines for delivering ballots by mail.
4. Links on institutional and administrative websites that direct students to voter registration websites.
5. Directions on institutional and administrative websites that detail the voter registration process.
6. Reasonable accommodations to county election officials for on-campus polling locations.
7. Encouragement to student government organizations to coordinate activities aimed at increasing voter registration and election turnout.
8. Policies, consistent with section 16-402, to allow excused absence from classes for the purpose of voting.
9. In accordance with section 15-1633, policies that prohibit the use of university resources and employees to influence elections.
10. An emphasis on efficiency and conservation of resources, including reduced use of paper handouts and increased use of electronic communication.

The Maricopa County Community College District (“MCCCD”) and its associated colleges, aim to implement various methods for informing students of, disseminating information, and promoting voter registration.

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## Voter Engagement Team

The Phoenix College Plan was created by the following voter engagement team members:

- Administration and Faculty
  - Primary Contact: Aris Mosier Student Life and Leadership, Manager
  - Additional members:
    - Diana Martinez, Student Life and Leadership, Student Specialist Senior
    - Michelle Cunneen, Student Life and Leadership, Social Justice Coordinator
    - Dr. Albert Celozza, Faculty, Liberal Arts
  - Phoenix College Civic Action Group
    - Sonya Brown, Student
    - Imelda Hartley, Student

### Club Collaboration

- PC United Student Government
  - Social Justice Organization
  - PC Honors Council
  - Rainbow Spectrum
- Community Partners
    - Maricopa County Recorder's Office
    - National Voter Registration Day
    - All In Campus Democracy Challenge
    - Voteria AZ

Every election year prompts political activity in all sorts of venues, and MCCCCD both respects and encourages participation in the time-honored tradition of political activity on American college and university campuses. With that in mind, each of the District's campuses has a plan consistent with the terms outlined in ARS § 15-1895 with the primary focus being to increase student voter registration and voting in elections.

## Goals

This section outlines the goals set forth for your college and could be revised at any time to address unique circumstances and changes.

1. Increase the number of PC students registered to vote by increasing access through Voter Registration events, celebrations and projects
2. Create a more educated voter by providing voter education resources, events and materials
3. Conduct presentations in conjunction with faculty to bring PC expertise to our Community

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4. Help the PC community make informed political decisions by conducting peer led presentations
  5. Conduct training for the students to learn to register to vote other students

## Voter Engagement Plan

### Voter Registration

- Marketing posts will be posted to the Student Life and Leadership social media accounts to encourage students to register to vote and get signatures on various initiatives
- Tuesday, September 20, 2022, We will host a registration event in Sophomore Square to help students get registered to vote, get excited about voting and access voter education materials for National Voter Registration Day.

### Voter Education

- Know Your Rights Workshop on September 20, 2022 that will engage students in learning about their voting rights, how to register, how to find their voting districts, etc.
- The Democracy Commitment
- Social media campaign created to encourage voters
- Signs, posters and flyers on campus to encourage voter participation
- On campus communication and Faculty outreach – to encourage participation in the aforementioned events
- Student participation – trained students how to register others to vote
- Make registration forms/QR codes to registration (MVD) available in the Student Union and Hannelly Center

### Voter Education Events and Projects

- Wednesday, September 21, 2022, Student Life & Leadership and the Liberal Arts Department will host the US Constitution and Citizenship Day.

## Resources

### Budget

### Materials

- We received posters, handouts, and buttons from the National Voters Registration Day organization.

### Support

- Faculty expertise and donation of time from community partners and students

## Assessment

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PC is in process of utilizing the NSLV voter registration data to compare information on student voter participation.