Institution Name:
Maricopa Community College—Paradise Valley
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Brief Institutional Description: The college is one of the ten colleges in the Maricopa County Community College District and primarily, a liberal arts associate's degree institution with an enrollment of 9,000+ students. Additionally, the college has several occupational degree programs leading to certificates or degrees in environmental science, business, computer science, and international business. Degrees Offered: Associate of Arts, Associate of General Studies. Affiliation or Control: State/Local. Academic Calendar: Semester. Setting: Suburban Phoenix. Regional Airport: Sky Harbor International Airport.

International Development: The Maricopa Community—Paradise Valley College Center for International Studies provides a wide array of innovative instructional and student development programs in international education with a primary focus on Latin America and the Pacific Rim.

Grants: The Maricopa Community—Paradise Valley College Center for International Studies was founded in 1994 under the auspices of an U.S. Department of Education Title VI-B grant. The Center's commitment to international education leadership and service has resulted in exemplary programs, awards, and initiatives:

- awarded a second U.S. Department of Education Title VI-B grant to access the global digital economy
- awarded an International Consortium for Education and Economic Development grant to create online courses bilingual courses with CETYS University, Baja California, Mexico
- awarded an USAID grant to train environmental technicians at the University of Tabasco, Villahermosa, Mexico
awarded an U.S. Department of Education Title VI-A grant for humanities and foreign languages curriculum and program development
awarded a U.S. Department of Education FIPSE grant to participate with a consortium of colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, and Mexico on a trilateral student exchange grant
awarded a Japan Foundation library grant
designated as Regional Center for Asian Studies by the East-West Center at the University of Hawaii
received the Faculty Recognition Award for exemplary international programs by the Consortium for Community College Development
awarded the International Achievement Award for international faculty development and a comprehensive international resource center by American Council on International Intercultural Education

**Study Abroad:** Programs include: Cuba, Cyprus, India, Mexico, Peru, and Vietnam.