

# Red Mountain Campus Summer / Fall News

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## Kelly Martindale

Red Mountain Campus Student

“ I enjoy the outdoors and how the Red Mountain Campus is out in the desert. I prefer this beautiful campus over a city look. I also like how involved the teachers are with the students. They really want students to succeed and they show that in their classes.”



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## Flexible Class Schedule

Fit college into your busy life with Red Mountain's exclusive 2-4-1 class schedule. You choose from:

- Classes Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday
- 5-days-a-week classes condensed to 4 days
- Friday off or Friday-only classes

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# Cienega Cam Reveals World of Endangered Pupfish

The Red Mountain Campus is again partnering with the Arizona Game & Fish Department (AZGFD), this time to offer a view into the world of endangered fish and frogs that inhabit the campus cienega. From this created wetlands system, an underwater camera will be streaming to an AZGFD website the activities of a variety of native aquatic wildlife, including the endangered Desert Pupfish, Lowland Leopard Frogs and Gila Topminnows as well as the Long-Finned Dace and Sonoran Mud Turtles.

Dedicated to sustainability and the environment, the Red Mountain Campus has been an important partner with AZGFD, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, the Phoenix Zoo and other conservation-minded organizations in protecting threatened wildlife species. The campus was recognized

with the 2016 Certified Wildlife Habitat designation from the National Wildlife Federation and 2014 Founders Conservation Award from the North American Native Plant Society.

In addition to being an elite ecology experience, the partnership activities with government and private groups allow students to interact with wildlife professionals and see careers in science in action.



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## Red Mountain Opens International Education Office

To increase service to our international student population and those interested in educational opportunities in other countries, a new office has opened on the Red Mountain Campus in the Desert Willow building, room 137. Stop by 9 a.m. – 6 p.m., Mondays and Thursdays to explore our study-abroad opportunities in Ireland, Mexico, Belgium, France, Costa Rica, England and more. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays there is advising for international students. Learn more at [mesacc.edu/international-education](http://mesacc.edu/international-education) or call 480-464-7757.



# MCC Red Mountain Campus Alumni Share Their Experiences



## Melany Taylor

Transferred: Northern Arizona University

“ I went to the Red Mountain Campus at first because the classes there were easy to fit in my schedule. I kept going there because I really like the beautiful, intimate setting that made me feel welcome and safe. The 90/30 Northern Arizona University program made it easy to transfer my credits from MCC and I saved a lot of money on tuition. ”



## Austin Fish

Transferred: Arizona State University

“ The Red Mountain campus is so beautiful and peaceful. The faculty and staff encouraged me constantly to get my degree done and I really needed that! All the professors at Red Mountain were passionate about what they were teaching and how they were teaching. They knew your name and you knew you weren't just some number to them. With the quality of education I received at MCC, it doesn't make sense to me why anyone would go into debt or spend a lot of money by starting out at a more expensive university. ”

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– Christopher Ryan, Transferred: Arizona State University

## Submit Your FAFSA Application Now for Fall 2017!

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) determines scholarship, grant, loan and work-study eligibility. It can take up to six weeks or longer to be awarded and if you are not awarded financial aid by the time your tuition is due, you will need to sign up for a payment plan to avoid being dropped from your classes. Visit [mesacc.edu/financial-aid](http://mesacc.edu/financial-aid) or stop by Enrollment Services in the Red Mountain Campus Mesquite building for assistance.

## University Aspirations? Our Red Mountain Campus is Ideal!

Earn your associate's degree at MCC and prepare to **transfer to one of more than 50 university partners** across the country and abroad that welcome our college credits. As you explore your interests and find your career passions on the welcoming campus, you can complete the Arizona General Education Curriculum (AGEC) and transfer directly into your major's upper-level classes. Inquire about a pathway with key partners such as Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University and the University of Arizona, meet all the partnership requirements and you are seamlessly on the way to earning your bachelor's degree. Learn more at [mesacc.edu/red-mountain](http://mesacc.edu/red-mountain).



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## Valerie Livingston

Transferred: Arizona State University

“The advisor sat me down, asked my interests, what I wanted to do and looked at the credits I already had earned. He helped me more than he will ever know. When it came time to transfer, ASU accepted all my credits, and the staff at Red Mountain helped me research and find scholarships. I miss the beauty of the Red Mountain Campus. It feels like a family there because you have more opportunities to get to know faculty, staff and other students. I decided on an interdisciplinary studies degree so I can go back to the reservation to educate the younger generation about nutrition and health issues.”



## Christopher Ryan

Transferred: Arizona State University

“I discovered when I transferred from the Red Mountain Campus to ASU, my foundation in math and science was so solid that I was better prepared than most of the students in my classes. The professors at the Red Mountain Campus are highly qualified and inspired me to pursue a bachelor’s in sustainability. And, it wasn’t just the science basics I learned; they helped me with my writing and other skills to make my transfer into upper-division classes easier.”



## Full-Time MCC College Advisors Move into Mesa High Schools

Beginning with the 2017-18 school year, six Mesa high schools each will have a designated, **full-time Mesa Community College advisor to assist students in preparing for their future education.** These college advisors will become an integral part of the high school culture by assisting students in earning college credits through early college programs; facilitating placement testing; developing career plans using the MPS Education and Career Action Plan (ECAP); guiding students through

the enrollment process; and assisting students in searching for scholarships and financial aid to pursue their educational goals at MCC and beyond.

### Enroll Now!

Summer classes begin May 30, 2017.  
Fall classes begin Aug. 19, 2017.

**START ON COLLEGE CREDITS!**

Talk to your career and college advisors about taking **Dual Enrollment** classes from MCC. Earn college credit while in high school to save time and money and get a jump start on your higher education. Registration/payment deadline for Fall 2017 is Sept. 18, 2017. For more information: [mesacc.edu/earlycollege](http://mesacc.edu/earlycollege)