

Upward Bound



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The Upward Bound Project (UB) at Arizona State University (ASU) is a federally funded college-preparatory program that serves high school students who are either low-income and/or potential first-generation college students. Upward Bound's mission at ASU is to assist students with graduating high school, entering college, and earning a baccalaureate degree.

UB is housed at the ASU Tempe location. ASU is one of the largest universities in the country, part of a statewide tri-university system. The Tempe location is located in an eastern suburb of metropolitan Phoenix (the primary school area for the project) and is located within the target area, Maricopa County. Maricopa County lies in southwestern Arizona and contains urban and rural areas, large cities, small towns and three Native American reservations. Maricopa County is the most populous county in the state of Arizona, containing approximately 3.9 million people where the rural and urban areas contain poverty and a lack of educational support as well as a lack of educational opportunities.

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UB is designed to serve 142 low-income, potential first-generation college students (annually) from high schools within the Maricopa County – specifically, four target high schools (i.e., Betty H. Fairfax, Carl Hayden Community, César Chávez and Maryvale). The project will provide intensive academic skill development and motivational support within an academic-year component consisting of supplemental instruction and tutorial sessions during two semesters plus Saturday Academy sessions and a summer component of three 6-week summer residential programs (i.e., Aspire, Reach and Pre-Bridge) plus a non-residential transition experience. The project's mission is to prepare these participants to not only enter but successfully complete a program of postsecondary education. The ASU Upward Bound Project has accepted this challenge to mean the attainment of a baccalaureate degree.

The assurance of success for this project is greatly enhanced by its history of operating continuously since 1966 as well as the high quality of staff and project activities, exceptional resources available at the host institution, and strong and long-standing institutional and community commitment and support.

More information is available for download or you may request additional information by contacting the ASU Upward Bound office.



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