

ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS POLICY MANUAL	
5-204.1	Early Outreach to Other Educational Systems and Underrepresented Communities
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- A. The Board of Regents is committed to encouraging and supporting university initiatives to develop linkages with underrepresented communities, including underrepresented communities, for the purpose of increasing the awareness of children in Grades K-12 and their parents about the importance of higher education, about opportunities for higher education in Arizona, and about the importance of academic preparation for higher education.
- B. Each university should maintain a presence within underrepresented communities, as feasible, to build trust and credibility between the communities and universities to enhance understanding of the challenges that confront underrepresented community members who seek a higher education. The presence should include linkages with community-based organizations including voluntary organizations, religiously affiliated organizations, and tribal governments.
- C. Early outreach initiatives should build upon the strengths inherent in the underrepresented communities.
- D. Early outreach programs should include opportunities for university student participation from various disciplines, especially students from teacher education, sciences, mathematics, and social sciences.
- E. Each university should assign high priority to the formation and refinement of linkages with K-12 schools and community colleges designed to enhance academic performance of underrepresented students and to raise awareness about accessibility of higher education.
- F. Underrepresented students and communities are any group of students who need to improve their college attainment rates.

Policy History

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