

Daniel Barajas

Daniel Barajas serves as the District Deputy Chief Director of Workforce and Economic Development for the Maricopa County Community Colleges District, Phoenix, Arizona.

Daniel has over twenty five years of experience working in postsecondary education within the community college system. He has held many positions within both the academic and student affairs areas, with years of service as Dean of Academics and Career and Technical Education, prior to his current role.

With a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from Northern Arizona University and a Bachelor of Science in Business

Management, Daniel has a passion for marrying educational opportunity and solutions to industry and community needs. Daniel has served on many councils and boards during his career. This is exemplified in his past role as the President for the Arizona Occupational Administrators Council, and current role as Board member for the Phoenix Business & Workforce Board, among his many engagements. Daniel also maintains his connection with students as adjunct faculty/professor of business for Chandler Gilbert Community College.

Daniel has enjoyed representing education to many industry partners during his time in education, both developing academic programs to meet industry needs and acting on behalf of many economic development entities to aid in securing new business and industry locates to Arizona.