

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
HERMES CASTRO ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
SCHOLARSHIP SUPPLEMENT
Established Fall 2009

This scholarship fund was established by the community of Mesa College. This scholarship was established to recognize and provide financial assistance to a deserving student who is actively involved in community service in helping save our planet, through preservation, protection, and/or conservation. Funds for this scholarship have been donated by friends and family of Hermes Castro as well as Mesa College and SDCCD staff and administration.

TO BE ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Be currently enrolled in at least 9 – 11 units at Mesa College
- Have a grade point average of at least 2.5 or higher on a 4.0
- Declared major or career goal: social service, science
- Must Demonstrate community service
- Must Demonstrate Financial Need
- Students with disabilities will receive priority consideration (mobility disabled)

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 26, 2010

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be received by 12:00 p.m. on February 26, 2010. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

All completed applications that meet eligibility requirements will be reviewed by a committee composed of representatives from the Mesa College faculty, classified staff, student government, and administration.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Biographical Questionnaire	10 points maximum
GPA of 2.5 and higher	15 points maximum
Community Involvement in Environment	30 points maximum
Essay	30 points maximum
Recommendation letter (1)	15 points maximum

RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Recipients will be notified by mid-April. Awards will be presented on Friday May 7, 2010, at the Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet. Recipients will be honored as special guest and will receive one complimentary dinner ticket. Attendance at the Scholarship Banquet is strongly encouraged so that your achievements can be celebrated and the generosity of the donors publicly acknowledged.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants are requested to submit the following documentation:

1. A fully completed application-biographical questionnaire. All information requested must be provided.
2. Submit one current letter of recommendation on official letterhead:
 - From an individual who can provide information regarding your community/volunteer service.
3. Submit a well-written original essay about your interests, and accomplishments in the community as well as your career goals, for the future in the area of environmental planning, preservation, protection, and/or conservation and how you can help make a change in this area. The essay should be typed, double spaced, and no longer than 2 ½ pages.

RETURN OR MAIL TO:

San Diego Mesa College
Student Affairs Office
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
7250 Mesa College Drive, H-500
San Diego, CA 92111

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