

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

MESA COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship fund was established by the Board of Directors of the Mesa College Foundation to support and assist students in successfully achieving their educational goals. The scholarship fund is supported by donations from the Mesa College faculty, staff and administrators, community members, external organizations, San Diego Community College District staff and administrators, and various Mesa College corporate partners and friends. This scholarship is intended for continuing students.

TO BE ELIGIBLE, STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- **Plan to register at Mesa College in the fall 2012 semester in at least 9 semester units**
- Current enrollment in at least 9 units at Mesa College as a continuing student
- Completion of a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Demonstrated financial need. Verification of financial need will be processed through the Financial Aid Office at Mesa College.

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 29, 2012

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be received by **5:00 p.m. on February 29, 2012**. 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 community and Mesa College foundation.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Essay/Content	40 points maximum
Essay/Grammar	20 points maximum
Financial Need	40 points maximum

RECIPIENTS NOTIFICATION AND AWARDS

Recipients are notified in mid-April. Certificates will be presented on **April 27, 2012** at the annual Scholarship Awards Banquet. Recipients will be honored as special guests 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.

DISBURSEMENT OF AWARD

The scholarship award will be made in two installments. The first installment will be released upon verification of enrollment in at least 9 units in the fall 2012 semester. The second installment will be released upon verification of successful completion, with a G.P.A. of at least 2.5, for 9 units of coursework taken in the fall 2012 semester, and enrollment in at least 9 units in the spring 2013 semester. All 2012/2013 scholarship awards must be disbursed by the completion of the spring 2013 semester.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants are required to submit the following documentation:

1. Submit a fully completed biographical questionnaire. All information must be provided.
2. Submit **unofficial** transcripts.
3. An original essay on the following topic:
 - **Describe how you have shared the academic knowledge, skills and cultural enrichment you have received at Mesa College with others.**

The essay should be typewritten and no more than two pages, double-spaced. **The essay must address this topic.**

RETURN OR MAIL THIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AND ESSAY TO:

San Diego Mesa College
Student Affairs Office
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
7250 Mesa College Drive, H500
San Diego, CA 92111

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