

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

2008/2009 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

*Lean and Green:
Our Path to Sustainability and Stability in an Unstable Time*



WE ARE *Mesa*

VISION:

San Diego Mesa College shall be a key force in our community to educate our students to shape the future.

GOALS:

- To deliver and support exemplary teaching and learning in the areas of basic skills, career and technical education, certificates, associate degrees, and transfer education.
- To provide a learning environment that maximizes student access and success, and employee well-being.
- To respond to and meet community needs for economic and workforce development.
- To cultivate an environment that embraces and is enhanced by diversity.

MISSION:

To inspire and enable student success in an environment that is strengthened by diversity, is responsive to our communities, and fosters scholarship, leadership and responsibility.

VALUES:

- Access
- Equity
- Respect
- Scholarship
- Accountability
- Excellence
- Freedom of Expression



Among the largest community colleges in California and the nation, San Diego Mesa College is a fully accredited two-year college offering more than 170 associate degree and certificate programs. With its premier fine art and music programs, robust language offerings and rigorous math and science curricula, Mesa ranks as San Diego's top transfer institution. The college also serves as an important economic catalyst for the region. Its career programs include allied health fields, biopharmaceutical, multimedia, animal health technology, American Sign Language, hospitality, fashion, architecture, interior design and more. Situated on a sprawling, suburban 104-acre mesa in the geographic center of San Diego, the college's small classes, outstanding faculty, diverse student population and reputation for quality offer an unparalleled academic experience.

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Community College: the Right Choice

Even with a \$6 increase to \$26 per unit tuition, obtaining a degree or certificate at a California community college is still the best higher education value around. A California resident attending college full-time will save more than \$4,000 compared to fees at CSU campuses, and more than \$8,000 at UC campuses. California taxpayers save when students enroll at a two-year college.

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From the President

Education for a Sustainable Society “enables people to develop the knowledge, values and skills to participate in decisions ... that will improve the quality of life now without damaging the planet for the future.”

—Debra Rowe, Ph.D., President

U.S. Partnership for Education for Sustainable Development, 2009

The year of 2009 was a difficult year in the history of education nationwide, but more so in the State of California, where revenue sources — particularly those that support education and social services — plummeted. The economic downturns, the unpredictable nature of the budget climate, and its impact on all aspects of our lives, have left indelible marks.

At Mesa College, this was a time when we learned to “do more with less,” but more than that, we discovered to our pleasant surprise that during this time we also were motivated to find creative ways to continue to serve our students and our community. As a college community, we decided that while we would address the practical concerns of declining resources, we would not waiver in our continued focus aimed at preparing students for the future.

Thus, in the midst of competing priorities, the importance of “Education for a Sustainable Society” emerged as a theme pertinent to the fiscal crisis of the present and necessary for building a solid foundation for the future.

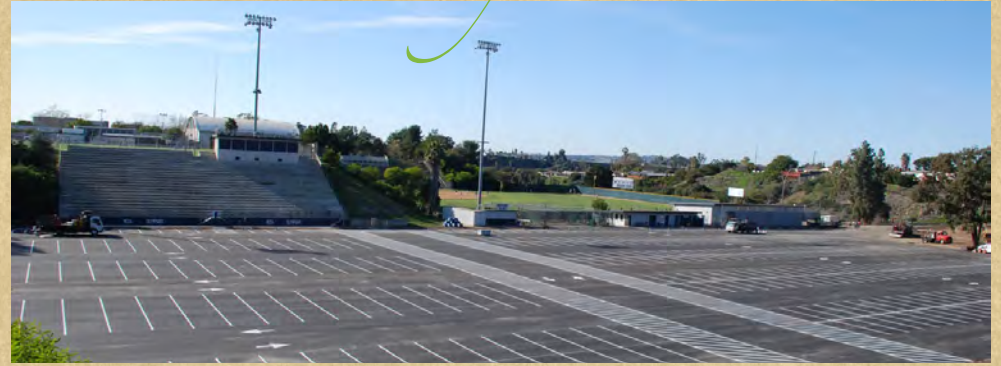
The Mesa College 2008-2009 annual report is dedicated to the year that was and the future that will be ours. Included in the pages that follow is just a glimpse of the work of our faculty and staff fueled by the inspiration of our students.



Rita M. Cepeda, Ed.D.
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Raising the Roof on Sustainability



Sustainable Features:

Voter approval of Propositions S and N have provided greening opportunities throughout the campus and the entire SDCCD district. In 2008-09 Mesa College made great strides in its sustainability practices and gained momentum in completing energy-efficient projects that realize substantial operational savings for the college and District.

Much of the construction has focused on the east campus entry at Mesa College Drive. The \$34 million East Campus Improvement Project includes a new instructional facility, a complete road realignment, and the Rosa Parks Transit Center.

In March, the entire campus celebrated the opening of the long-awaited, 1,100-space parking structure at the East gateway entrance to the college. Also now complete is the new Allied Health Education and Training Facility, a \$28.9 million project located just west of the parking structure, which is registered for LEED Gold certification by the United States Green Building Council.

To facilitate building projects, the Merrill Douglas Football Stadium was paved over to provide much needed parking spaces during construction. Over the summer, a new synthetic football field was installed, including an upper field event area, pedestrian ramp, modular restroom, and stadium seating.

Allied Health Education and Training Facility

- Natural lighting.
- High performance glass that allows sunlight to filter into the building and reduces the amount of UV light and solar heat entering building.
- Linoleum flooring, a natural material made from linseed oil.
- Exceeded California's Title 24 energy requirements by 7.4%.
- Energy efficiency cost savings to 58.7% from the photovoltaic panels on the nearby parking structure.

Parking Structure

- An "open" parking structure design eliminates the need for mechanical ventilation systems.
- Utilizes recycled fly ash, a strengthening agent, to reduce the amount of concrete needed.
- Drought-tolerant plants and trees, and an efficient irrigation system.
- Photovoltaic panels offsets the energy needs for the new police station as well as the new Allied Health Education and Training Facility.

The Propositions S and N construction program is providing for new instructional facilities, major renovations and campus-wide infrastructure projects at City, Mesa and Miramar Colleges, and six Continuing Education campuses. For additional information, please visit www.sdccdprops-n.com.



Saving Green



Small and large efforts to “green” the college demonstrate the power of sustainability principles that improve the quality of the campus environment and provide significant financial and energy savings in operating our facilities.

Across the campus, staff and faculty have embraced sustainable practices, saving the college energy and dollars:

- ✓ Mesa is the first of the three colleges in the San Diego College District to offer two fully online associate degrees, in Accounting and Business.
- ✓ Committees are going green, distributing agendas and handouts via email and viewed electronically during meetings. Minutes are posted online.
- ✓ The Reprographics Department uses 90% recycled paper for printing, recycles toner and developer cartridges, and creates scratch pads from paper waste.
- ✓ Water-guzzling lawns are being replaced with rock and natural gardens.
- ✓ Professors are posting reference materials, syllabi, lecture notes and study guides online. “This reduces costs and paper waste,” notes Adjunct Professor Espen Correll.

- ✓ The Drama Department's Apolliad Theatre is a great recycling success. Costumes, props and set pieces are stored for future use, and used over and over again in twice-a-semester productions.
- ✓ The Mesa Library offers 24/7 access to over 25,000 full-text and reference books and more than 17,000 online magazines, peer-reviewed journals, trade journals, and newspapers.
- ✓ Single-stream recycling containers are located in classrooms, offices and beside every trash can. No sorting is necessary with a single-stream collection system.
- ✓ The Green Garden on the Mesa provides organic produce use by Culinary Arts students in their MFusion culinary laboratory.

Find out more about recycling at www.sdmesa.edu/ecomesa/recycling.cfm

Did You Know?

The SDCCD is supporting efforts to restore the natural habitat of Tecolote Canyon. At the close of 2009, non-native and invasive plants were removed during non-bird breeding season to help support the growth and return of several important plant and animal species.

Find out how you can reduce your carbon footprint at www.myfootprint.org



Portraits of Mesa

Meet the Mesa College Ambassadors!

These fun and friendly diplomats of Mesa College are the "faces of Mesa" on campus and off. Student Ambassadors can be found in local high schools promoting Mesa and higher education, answering financial aid questions, making classroom presentations, and functioning as peer mentors.

Find ambassadors profiles at www.sdmesa.edu/outreach/ambassador.cfm or search for them on YouTube.com



KELVIN CROSBY

In June, Mesa College student Kelvin Crosby was among five young adults who were welcomed by President Barack Obama to the Oval Office in celebration of Helen Keller Deaf-Blind Awareness Week.

The President congratulated the young adults on their accomplishments and reminded them that the country remains committed to improving the lives of people with disabilities.

A Clairemont resident studying communications, Kelvin is hearing impaired and has just five percent of his vision. Both disabilities are the result of Usher Syndrome, which Kelvin developed eight years ago, when he was 13.

"It was such a rush," gushes Kelvin when he describes meeting the president. "Kelvin's amazing," says counselor Julie Pludow. "He's passionate about everything he does, and he never lets his disability get in the way of his goals and ambitions." Kelvin also surfs and is an aspiring field-goal kicker. His constant companion is his guide dog, Jerry.



HERMES CASTRO

Hermes Castro is one determined man. The lifetime athlete, outdoorsman and future hydrologist is determined to walk again after he was hit head on by a drunk driver while cycling to work three years ago.

In March he participated in the 2041 environmental expedition to protect the frozen wilderness of Antarctica. Today Hermes, 30, continues with his studies and daily rehabilitation exercises.



(l-r): Sir Robert Swan, Hermes Castro, Sarah Castro and members of the 2041 crew.

But his determination doesn't stop there. Inspired by what he saw at the South Pole and what he learned about global warming, Hermes is now also determined to clean up the world.

His adventure began with a chance meeting with Sir Robert Swan following a lecture at Mesa College. The renowned Antarctic explorer was so impressed that he invited Hermes to join his expedition. Fellow students rallied to raise the \$10,000 travel costs.

This summer, Hermes joined the lecture circuit. At a National Park Service conference in Atlanta his message to attendees was simple and powerful: "If I can navigate some of the most inhospitable territory in the world without use of my legs, you can turn off the light and put your cans in a recycling bin."





International Students

Each semester, Mesa College welcomes about 80 international students representing dozens of countries. The applicants find out about Mesa College through online searches, word of mouth and recommendations from educational institutions in their home countries, and especially from family who live in San Diego and Southern California. Their majors range from art to architecture, and from engineering to event management.

RACHEL MONK

Ask Rachel Monk about her life's journey and she talks about taking a road that most people do not come back from – one filled with loss, despair, addiction and self-destruction. Yet that unique journey has brought her to a place called today, where we meet a confident, motivated and tenacious woman.

Rachel, 43, is an SDCCD success story, having successfully "bridged" from non-credit studies at the North City Continuing Education campus, where she earned her GED, to Mesa. She is active in clubs and organizations, and serves as co-president of the Women's Union. She credits the EOPS (Extended Opportunity Programs and Services) office and counselors for helping her to set goals and providing her the support and ability to reach them.

Rachel's inspiration is her daughter Charlene, a student at UCLA. She hopes to follow in Charlene's footsteps, and eventually, to help juveniles that have gone astray. "My story is my strength," she says. "I wish for nothing more than to share (my experiences) and to enable a sense of hope to the hopeless."



Jamal "Mason" Walker

Mason Walker took his winning campaign for President of the Associated Student Government at Mesa College seriously. After all, it's good practice. The 29-year-old sees himself running for Congress in about ten years.

These are heady times for Mason, who is in his fourth semester at Mesa.

From there, he plans to transfer to UC Berkeley, Columbia, or Cornell. Until then, he's busy with classes, organizing rallies against State budget cuts, and bringing the voice of Mesa's nearly 24,000 students to college shared governance bodies, SDCCD Board meetings, and even to Sacramento.

"I've enjoyed meeting and working with Chancellor Constance Carroll and President Rita Cepeda," says Mason. "Knowing that they genuinely care about students makes the experience of student government so rewarding."



August

Welcome week offered incoming students all they need to know about everything they need to know to succeed in college.



November

Traditional tribal singing, food and craft vendors were all part of the Native American Heritage Celebration.



November

Students and faculty break ground, till the soil, add compost and plant the first seedlings in the Mesa College Organic Garden.



December

Fashions, pet pictures with Santa, refreshments and music are offered during this festive Toys for Tots fundraiser led by the student Fashion Club.

July

During the summer months July-August, Student Services experienced more than 180,000 student contacts and disbursed approximately \$5M in aid.

September

The ESC, or Environmental Sustainability Committee, launched its semester-long Eco series of films, lectures and events promoting environmental sustainability.

July

August

September

October

November

December

August

Fall classes begin.



September

Mesa College is honored nationally as an institution committed to diversity by Minority Access, Inc.

November

Students from all six of the SDCCD's Continuing Education campuses converged on Mesa College to learn how to make a successful transition from non-credit classes to degree and certificate programs.

December

The Mesa College Vocal Ensemble Choral Performance performed "Gloria" by Vivaldi with string quartet and oboe at several on and off campus locales.

November

Day of the dead altar at the LRC.



Year in Review





January

An annual tradition, faculty, staff and student take home yet another trophy at San Diego's Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade.



February

Mesa remembers the life of beloved football coach Matt Koffler.



April

During Canyon Cleanup, 50 volunteers spent four hours on a Saturday hauling five truckloads of trash, non-native plants, and an even dozen shopping carts out of Tecolote canyon. Students from Linda Vista Elementary learned about Tecolote Canyon during Canyon Classroom.



May

Workshops, lectures, team-building exercises, and training for Mesa College classified employees were offered at the second Annual Classified Staff Development Conference.



January

February

March

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June

January

College Connection offered success skills and inspiration to a cohort of former foster youths enrolled at Mesa College.



February

- The Mesa Press received the the 2009 Journalism Association of Community Colleges award for General Excellence, the highest honor any student newspaper can receive.



February

Students lead a variety of fundraisers to raise funds to send fellow student Hermes Castro on an Antarctic expedition.



March

Relief at last! The entire campus celebrated the opening of the 1,100-space Parking Structure.



April

The Mesa team wowed the crowds at the first San Diego Science Festival. On and off-campus activities and lectures were the hit of the Science Month at Mesa.

April

"Art you can sink your teeth" into was the theme of the Student Art Show at the Mesa College Art Gallery.



May

Commencement exercises honored Mesa's 45th graduating class of 1,280 students who received diplomas in more than 140 academic programs.



Accolades

Kudos to ...

President Rita Cepeda, who was elected to the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) Board of Directors for a three-year term beginning July 2, 2009.

Senior Office Manager **Kathy Wells** (pictured at right), who was named Mesa College Unsung Hero of the year for her work with numerous charities.

Graphic artist/photographer **Anabel Pulido** won third place at the CCPRO Awards for her poster design titled "Play the Floor" for the Dance Department.

Fashion Professor **Suzan Lazear**, whose book, *Photoshop for Fashion Design*, was released in January 2009.

The Mesa College GIS (**Geographic Information Systems**) leadership team, for being named to the CalWomenTech Hall of Fame for their commitment to increasing the number of women pursuing careers in technology.

Mesa College Professors **Jill Baker** and **Jill Jansen** were recognized for outstanding work by the California Association on Postsecondary Education and Disabilities (CAPED). Baker, Mesa's audiovisual librarian, received the 2009 CAPED Teacher of the Year Award for her work on accessible instructional materials and classroom technology. Jansen, a counselor and learning disability specialist, received the 2009 CAPED Recognition Award for development of an intern model for future learning disability specialists.

Si Se Puede – Yes We Can!

Two SDCCCD administrators, Rita Cepeda, President of Mesa College, and SDCCCD Trustee Peter Zschiesche, were named the 2009 Visionary Award recipients by the Cesar E. Chavez Commemoration Committee. The award is presented annually to outstanding citizens who embody the principles and core values of Cesar E. Chavez, which include service to others, sacrifice, helping the needy, determination, community and acceptance.



Designs on Instruction

Mesa College holds the distinction of being the only two or four-year design program in the region to have gained the prestigious National Kitchen and Bath Association (NKBA) accreditation. But that's not enough for program director Mimi Moore, coordinator Helene Lindquist, nor the students of Mesa's Interior Design Program.

In April, student work samples submitted by its Interior Design program as part of its NKBA accreditation requirements ranked sixth out of those submitted by the 42 accredited colleges and universities nationwide. The following month, NKBA recognized Mesa College for achieving excellence in design instruction.

Individual student achievement awards went to Carla Bell, who won \$1000 for her project in the GE Design Charette Competition and to graduate Fiona Klerekoper, who took home third place in the local ASID Design Excellence Awards.



Mesa College Classified Employee of the Year, **Juan Ortega**. (pictured at right.)

Vice President of Student Services **Barbara Kavalier, Ph.D.**, who published her book, *The Hiring Game*, Community College Press, 2008.

Psychology professor **Jaye Van Kirk**, who received the California State Academic Senate Stanback-Stroud Award. The award acknowledges the individual who advances intercultural harmony, equity, and campus diversity by making exceptional contributions to the college.

Maria Gee, Adjunct Professor of Chinese, who won the Asian Heritage Award in the Media and Film category. (Pictured at far right.)



Forensic Team 5th in the Nation

The medal count for the college's fiercely competitive 2008-2009 Olympian Speech and Debate team was as follows: 44 individual event awards and 59 debate awards. Additionally, team Mesa collectively won eight sweepstakes awards (points accumulated by the entire team). Among the team's proudest accomplishments was being named fifth in the nation for community colleges and 14th overall (out of 250 two and four-year institutions) in parliamentary debate by the National Parliamentary Debate Association.



COCA-COLA SCHOLARS

Mesa College Phi Theta Kappa past-president Robert Steinberger was named a 2009 Coca-Cola Silver Scholar and Brande Faris captured a Bronze Award. Selection as a Coca-Cola Scholar is based on scores earned in the All-USA Academic Team Competition. Robert, now attending UCSD, is already in their honors program and an active leader on campus. "Phi Theta Kappa Beta Beta Upsilon was an extraordinary experience," said Robert, "Professors Sondra Frisch, Dickson Phiri and Beate Bermann-Enn ... all helped and supported me throughout this journey."



Olympian Champs



Women's Soccer Makes History

In fall 2008, for the first time in the history of San Diego community college soccer programs, a team advanced to the State Final Four. Since the inception of Women's Soccer in 1988, no community college team from San Diego County has ever made it this far. Mesa College's run began on November 22, and they finished third in the state and fifth in the nation.

Star Awards

Joshua Denz was the "SUPER STAR Award winner" for 2008-2009 at the STAR Awards. The athlete, veteran and scholar excelled academically with a cumulative grade point average of 4.0 with 48 units completed. The former U.S. Marine Color Guardsman plans on majoring in Kinesiology with a career in Sports Psychology.



The Mesa Athletes' MAAP to Success

At Mesa College, our athletes are students first. The Mesa Academic and Athletics Program (MAAP) assists student-athletes in achieving their educational, career and personal goals. MAAP aims to help students obtain an educational degree and meet eligibility requirements based on the California Community Colleges Athletic Association (CCCAA) rules and regulations. Most importantly, MAAP helps students succeed in the classroom and the athletic arena. Student academic achievement is celebrated each May at the STAR Awards ceremony (see page 12).

Did You Know?

Mesa athletic facilities are used by local high schools for meets, games and events?

Track: Francis Parker High School; Horizon High School

Football: Kearny Educational Complex, Clairemont High School, Horizon High School, St. Augustine High School.

Mesa All Stars

Women's Volleyball

Pacific Coast Athletic Conference (PCAC) Co-Champions

1st Team All Conference: Amber Davidson, Delea Pursel, and Joslin Alexander

2nd Team All Conference: Kelsey Magness

Men's Cross Country

Champion, PCAC

Athletes 2nd Place State Championships Muluken Beressa

State Individual Champion All-State Team: Muluken Beressa, Marcos

Corona, Barrett Tilley

Thom Hunt was named Pacific Coast Conference (PCC)

Coach of the Year

Women's Cross Country

2nd Place Pacific Coast Athletic Conference Championships – the team's fourth consecutive PCAC title.

9th Place State Championships

Renee Ross was named PCC Coach of the Year

Women's Soccer

See article at left.

Men's Track & Field

State Medalists

Mike Denman: State Champion, 3000m Steeplechase

Muluken Beressa: 2nd Place, 5000 meters

Women's Track & Field

State Medalist, Samantha Espindola: 5th Place, 10,000 meters and

PCC Women's Track Athlete of the Year

Women's Swimming and Diving

2009 Pacific Coast Conference Champions

5th place State Championships

Swimmer of the Year: Murphy Wimer

State Champion: Murphy Wimer, 3 events; 500 Freestyle, 200

Individual Medley, 100 Butterfly

Coach of the Year: Jim Fegan

Mesa College Female Athlete of the Year: Murphy Wimer

Mesa College Male Athlete of the Year: Muluken Beressa



GREEN GRADS

Whichever way you cut it, fashion careers make sense for those with talent who have the passion, knowledge and skills to actualize their dreams. Mesa grads are making a mark in the trendy sports apparel field, where Southern California labels lead the world. At Canari Cyclewear in Vista, 2007 graduate **Ksenia Galygi** hit the ground running and has advanced rapidly in design and product development. Canari is a leader in the design and manufacture of a host of cycling wear with a nod toward eco-friendly wear.



In just one semester, 2009 graduate **Lindsey Tarr** created the environmentally focused OneClub and grew the membership to more than 100 students. As commencement speaker of the class of 2009, she told fellow graduates how she learned as much from students and faculty outside the classroom as inside the classroom. OneClub members saved thousands of square feet of rainforest land. You can help too, by just clicking on www.therainforestsites.com. Today, Lindsey sends blogs from her AmeriCorps adventures in the deep south.



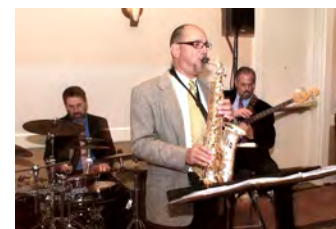
Of Scholars and Scholarship

The annual San Diego Mesa College Scholarship/Mesa College Foundation Awards Gala is one of the college's highlights of the year, bringing together students, family, faculty, and staff for an evening celebrating student success. Behind the scenes of this dinner, dance and awards gala is the generosity of caring people whose legacy is the gift of higher education.

Contributions from faculty, staff, people in the community, and local organizations and businesses have grown the Mesa College Scholarship Program from its meager beginnings in 1995 – when it awarded \$2,400 in scholarships – to the more than 89 scholarships totaling \$91,000 awarded in 2009.

With an increasing number of alumni, individuals, academic departments, businesses and organizations on board, the scholarship program continues to steadily grow. The Mesa College Foundation Board acts as the executor of the Mesa College scholarship program.

If you, or someone you know, are interested in establishing a scholarship, call 619-388-2699 or visit: www.sdmesa.edu/scholarships.



Support the Osher Scholarship Fund

Mesa College — along with every one of California's 110 community colleges — has received a grant from the Bernard Osher Foundation, which will provide a 50% match (\$1 for every \$2 raised prior to June 30, 2011) to provide scholarships to Mesa College students.

The college is actively seeking contributions to this fund. If you are interested in contributing to this effort, please call 619-388-2699.

In the early '70s, **Pat Caughey** enrolled at Mesa College to study landscape design fresh out of high school. Thirty five years later, Patrick W. Caughey is back on campus creating eco-friendly landscapes, most recently at the new east gateway entrance to Mesa College. As president of Wimmer, Yamada and Caughey, the oldest and sixth largest landscape architectural firm in San Diego County, Caughey is designing and building sustainable landscapes for SDCCD:

Caughey is strong advocate for preserving and protecting the environment. "For those interested in this field, the current economic downturn comes as an opportunity to continue your education, pursue your interests, and prepare to take on the responsibility of providing a sustainable future for generations to come."



The San Diego Mesa College Foundation

MISSION

The San Diego Mesa College Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to cultivating friends and raising funds to help Mesa College achieve its mission of offering programs and services for the benefit of our diverse student body. This all-volunteer group aims to support the College beyond that which is funded by the state. For more information and to become involved, please call 619-388-2721.

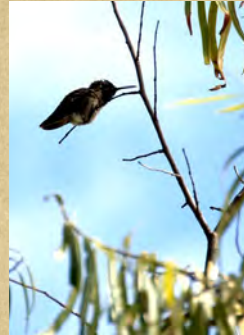
OBJECTIVES

The San Diego Mesa College Foundation strives to:

- Offer scholarships to students based on merit and need
- Fund special projects to support and further the needs of the college
- Continue to build a permanent endowment to support the college and provide responsible stewardship of these funds
- Increase the college's visibility
- Develop ongoing relationships for the college that result in increased private support

2008-2009 FOUNDATION MEMBERSHIP:

Jeff Marston	President – Public Director
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San Diego Mesa College *Facts on File*

Student Profile—2008-2009

Annual Unduplicated Headcount
2008-09 33,417

Headcount by Term
(Unduplicated within Terms)
Summer 2008 12,003
Fall 2008 23,323
Spring 2009 23,967

Ethnicity
Fall 2008

African American	1,436	6%
American Indian	208	1%
Asian/Pacific Islander	3,623	16%
White	9,318	40%
Latino	4,575	20%
Filipino	1,183	5%
Other	627	3%
Unreported	2,353	9%
Total	23,323	100%

Age Fall 2008

Under 18	1,205	5%
18-24	13,189	57%
25-29	4,034	17%
30-39	2,749	12%
40-49	1,269	5%
50 & over	869	4%
Unreported	8	1%
Total	23,323	100%

Gender

Female	12,449	53%
Male	10,864	47%
Unreported	10	<1%
Total	23,323	100%

Fall 2008

First Generation College Students	5,352	23%
Students receiving financial aid	6,850	29%
Students receiving DSPS services	588	3%

(Includes unduplicated headcount for students receiving more than one service)

Student Course Load

Fall 2008

Full-Time (12 or more credits)	5,644	24%
Part-Time (Fewer than 12 credits)	17,679	76%
Total	23,323	100%

Degrees and Certificates Awarded (2008-2009 Academic Year)

AA/AS Degree	999
Certificate of Achievement	281
Total Degrees & Certificates	1,280

Top Five Majors Selected by Students

Undeclared AA/AS	6,470
Business Administration	2,398
Transfer	2,142
Biology	1,193
Unclassified Restricted Technical Programs	977

Number of Teaching Faculty

Contract Faculty	212
Adjunct Faculty	657
Total Faculty	869

Total Number of Employees:	1,404
Classified Staff:	172

Source: SDCCD Facts on File 2008-09



Fiscal Responsibility

MESA 2008-2009 Actual Expenses

CATEGORY	ADOPTED BUDGET	ADJUSTED BUDGET	ACTUALS
ACADEMIC SALARIES	32,219,714	31,351,836	32,376,512
NON-ACADEMIC SALARIES	9,276,669	9,038,302	8,407,791
BENEFITS	9,762,292	9,685,430	9,705,765
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	771,774	729,385	321,266
OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	451,313	468,806	452,353
CAPITAL OUTLAY	200,000	242,462	229,172
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$52,681,762	\$51,516,221	\$51,492,859





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