

# Fact Sheet

2023-2024

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**1964**  
Founded



**30,405**  
Students enrolled  
2022/2023



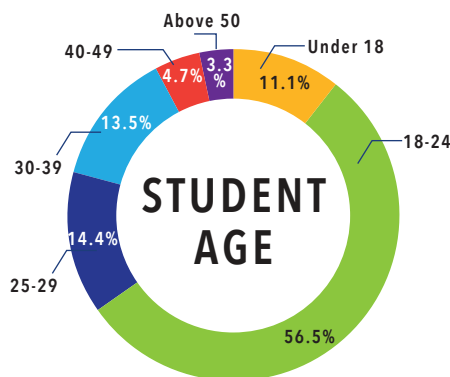
**1,880**  
Academic Degrees &  
Certificates Awarded



**27.1%**  
First Generation  
College Students

**San Diego Mesa College** is a fully accredited, comprehensive college committed to equity and excellence. We honor our diverse community of students, faculty, professional staff, and administrators who collaborate to foster scholarship, leadership, access, and innovation in an inclusive learning environment. By promoting student learning and achievement that leads to degrees and certificates, transfer, workforce training, and lifelong learning, we empower our students to reach their educational goals and shape their future. Among the largest

community colleges in California, Mesa serves over 30,000 students per year, 19% of whom are full-time. Mesa offers nearly 200 associate degree and certificate programs and was one of the first California community colleges to offer a bachelors degree. Mesa ranks as San Diego's top transfer institution, is a proud Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI), an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI), and a Gold Status Military Friendly School, serving nearly 4,000 military, veterans and their families.



## ETHNICITY

Latinx 40.2% • White 28.9%  
Asian/PI 10.8% • Other/Multi 7.6%  
Black/African American 6.6% • Filipino 4.3%  
Unreported 1.2% • Native American 0.2%



**3,982**  
**MILITARY**

Active Military, Veteran  
Spouse/Dependent

## MISSION

San Diego Mesa College is a comprehensive community college committed to access, success, and equity. We honor those commitments as a diverse community of faculty, students, professional staff, and administrators who collaborate to foster scholarship, leadership, innovation, and excellence in an inclusive learning environment. By promoting student learning and achievement that leads to degrees and certificates, transfer, workforce training, and lifelong learning, we empower our students to reach their educational goals and shape their future.

## VISION

To be the leading college of equity and excellence, educating students to shape the future.

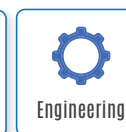
## VALUES

- Access
- Accountability
- Diversity
- Equity
- Excellence
- Freedom of Expression
- Integrity
- Respect
- Scholarship
- Sustainability

## MESA 2030 GOALS

- Completion
- Community
- Pathways & Partnerships
- Stewardship
- Scholarship

## TOP 5 MAJORS



**\$46**  
Cost per Unit,  
CA Resident



**1,581**  
San Diego  
Promise Participants

## HONORING OUR GRADUATES

# Class of 2024



### Ashanti T. Hands, Ed.D., President

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### HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Mesa College Foundation & Innovative Partnerships .....	619-388-2285
Advisory Committees & Industry Partnerships.....	619-388-2755
Campus Facilities/Events.....	619-388-2554
Athletics.....	619-388-2737
Student Activities & Services.....	619-388-2699
Media and Public Information.....	619-388-2759
Mesa College Newsroom.....	<a href="http://www.sdmesa.edu/Newsroom">www.sdmesa.edu/Newsroom</a>

## SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE



*The Leading College of Equity and Excellence*

## DISTINCTIONS

- Mesa College ranks as one of San Diego's top transfer institutions. Mesa's transfer rate consistently surpasses the statewide average, with over half of the college's students transferring to a four-year institution within six years (Source: CCCC DataMart).
- Mesa College was the first community college in California to offer a bachelor's degree program in Health Information Management (HIM). Mesa made history by awarding the first set of bachelor's degrees in Spring 2018. In 2023, nearly 30 students graduated from the Program.
- Mesa has been designated as a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI), an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI) a Gold Status Military Friendly College and multiple times as a Fulbright Top Producing Institution.
- In 2021, Mesa College was named an Equity Champion of Higher Education by The Campaign for College Opportunity for awarding Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) to Black and Latinx students.
- In 2022, Generation Hope included San Diego Mesa College in the second cohort of higher education institutions participating in Family U to provide support to, and increase the number of parenting college students so they can graduate.
- In 2022-23, for the 4<sup>th</sup> time, San Diego Mesa College Athletics was awarded the DeVore Trophy as the Pacific Coast Athletics Conference (PCAC) member college with the most successful men's and women's intercollegiate athletic program for the academic year. Mesa is leading all other schools in Chet DeVore Trophy awards.

### ABOUT THE SDCCD

As one of the largest of California's 73 community college districts, the San Diego Community College District serves approximately 100,000 students annually through three two-year colleges and the San Diego College of Continuing Education. San Diego City College, San Diego Mesa College, and San Diego Miramar College, offer associate degrees and certificates in occupational programs that prepare students for transfer to four-year colleges and entry-level jobs. Mesa College also offers a bachelor's degree in Health Information Management. The San Diego College of Continuing Education offers noncredit adult education at seven campuses throughout San Diego.

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