

December 11, 2024



Hello Mesa College Community!

Weekly Update from Prez Hands provides a brief overview of the exciting efforts taking place within our community. The updates are also a great way to tell our collective story of success, and to document our journey of becoming the Leading College of Equity and Excellence. Enjoy!

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Five Mesa Students Awarded Prestigious Gilman Scholarships for Summer 2025 Study Abroad!

We are thrilled to announce that five of our students have been selected as awardees of the prestigious Gilman International Scholarship for the Summer 2025 Study Abroad program during the early application cycle in October.

This year's cohort of Gilman Scholars will be embarking on transformative academic journeys abroad. Four students will study in Japan, immersing themselves in the country's rich culture and academic opportunities, while one student will head to England to explore its dynamic educational environment. With 16 students applying, the high number of awardees highlights the strong caliber of our applicants and the dedication they've shown in pursuing global education opportunities.

Congratulations to these outstanding students for earning this remarkable achievement! We look forward to seeing the incredible experiences and insights they bring back to our community.

For students interested in studying abroad, the Gilman Scholarship application opens in mid-January, with a submission deadline in early March. Visit [Gilman Scholarship](#) for more details and to apply.



During this semester, the HSI Title III STEM E³ grant sponsored two workshop series for students. Biology Professor, Dr. Michael Williams facilitated a bio-chem workshop series where students learned advanced biochemical techniques that will make them lab ready and marketable for a bio-industry job. Engineering Professor, Dr. Phuong Truong facilitated an engineering workshop series where students learned basic programming and electronics with Arduino, and created final projects including robotic cars and soil moisture detection. Students receive certificates of completion at the end of the series and are equipped with new skills that will assist them in their STEM fields.



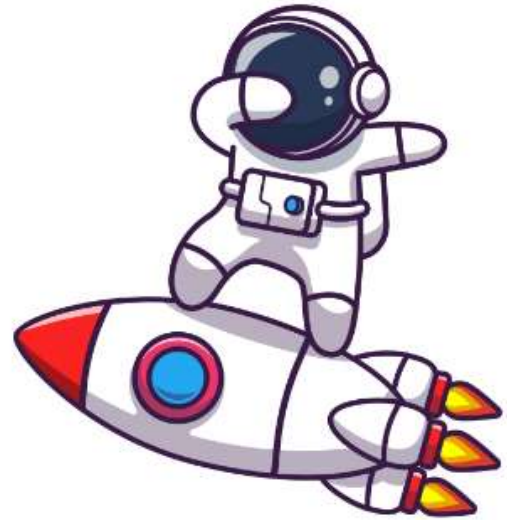
New Issue Alert

[Click here for the latest Mesa Journeys Newsletter!](#)

The Mesa Journeys newsletter gives a more in-depth look at all the great things that are happening on our campus. We encourage all faculty and staff to pass this along to our students, and also to sign up to receive these newsletters straight to their inboxes! Click below to sign up and for more information about Mesa

Journeys:

<https://linktr.ee/mesajourneys>





Please click on the flyers to enlarge.

JOIN US FOR THE 43RD ANNUAL
Martin Luther King Jr. Parade
Sunday, January 19th, 2025, 10:00 am
Harbor Drive (Between Grape and Ash)
Arrival time for marchers | 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

THE TIME IS NOW TO

**BE.
BELONG.
BECOME.**



 Sign up: bit.ly/2025-MLK
Free T-Shirts while supplies last

This is one of the largest celebrations of its kind in the United States in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The parade is held with marching bands, performing trapeze artists, floats, bands, and thousands of participants. The parade is coordinated by the John Hope Franklin Center for the Study of African American History and Culture, the oldest African American history center in America, founded in 1986 and the San Diego Alpha Foundation.



2025 WINTER CRUISE

New Students – CRUISE into Mesa!
Creating Rich Unique Intellectual Student Experiences
Become confident and prepared for your first semester at Mesa College

**It's FUN!
It's FREE!**
And it's open to all new college students!

- Connect with a Peer Navigator who will serve as your mentor
- Receive support for CRUISE and the spring semester
- Build community and meet other incoming students
- Learn about campus resources and student life
- Participate in workshops aimed at your transition to Mesa College

WINTER CRUISE SESSION
All New, Incoming Students
January 14th - 15th
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Lunch provided!

For more information and to register for Winter CRUISE, visit us at www.sdmesa.edu/cruise



Deadline to register: January 6th, 2025 at 11:59 p.m.

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
Contact: Agustin Rivera | Room: 14-2031 | 619-388-2757 | www.sdmesa.edu/cruise
Request for disability related accommodations should be made no later than eight (8) working days prior to event.



WEEK



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CLICK HERE TO JOIN

EVENT PLANNING OFFICE HOURS

EVERY TUESDAY | 9:00 A.M. TO 10:00 A.M.

Events and Operations will be holding weekly office hours! Please join us to receive support on event locations, space availability, and more!

Participatory Governance

To learn more about our Associated Students, Academic Senate, and Classified Senate, please visit the links below:

[Associated Students](#)

[Academic Senate](#)

[Classified Senate](#)

In The Know

For additional information on what is happening on campus and in our community - visit the links below:

[Mesa College Newsroom](#)

[Mesa College Events Calendar](#)

Creating conditions that matter for our students to succeed!

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