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MESA COLLEGE



WEEKLY UPDATES FROM

Prez Hands

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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OFFICE OF THE *President*



New Rule for Title IX Drives Changes to District Policy and Procedures

The Department of Education released new regulations that define procedures the San Diego Community College District must implement to address sex-based harassment and sex-based discrimination. The new regulations became effective August 1, 2024 and require that any incident which occurred prior to August 1, 2024 be processed through current District [policies and procedures](#) and that incidents which occur after August 1, 2024, be subject to the new regulations. This requires that the District retain existing published policies and procedures while simultaneously implementing new policies and procedures.

For more information, please [click this link for an Information Sheet](#).

The San Diego Community College District's Board of Trustees has unanimously agreed to place a \$3.5-billion bond measure on the November ballot to fund critical construction and modernization projects that will ensure the region's largest provider of workforce training and higher education continues to be a leader in driving the San Diego economy.

To learn more about the bond, please visit the [SDCCD News Center](#).

*You are cordially invited to the Dr. Blackmun
Recognition Ceremony, on Wednesday, September 11,
2024 at 3:30 p.m.*

Dr. Blackmun Recognition Dinner and Ceremony

September 11, 2024 | 3:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

San Diego Mesa College
7250 Mesa College Drive, D-101
San Diego, CA 92111

**This is a ticketed event. Please click below for tickets
and program information:**

Blackmun Ticket and Program Information



*Sponsorship and underwriting opportunities would be very
much appreciated. If you would like to donate to support the
event, [click here](#).*

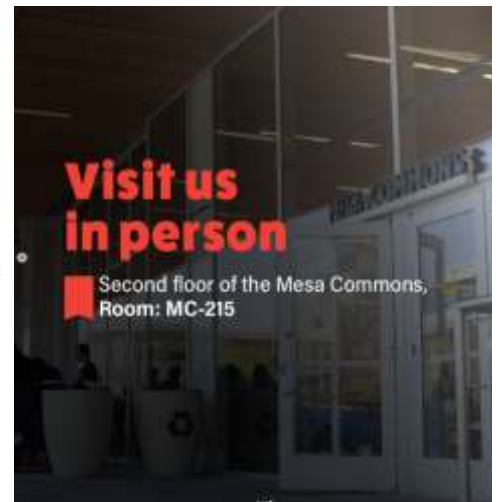


**Experiencing
Loss of Canvas
Access?**

**We're here
to help!**

Contact Mesa Technology Services Group:
619-388-2880

Monday-Thursday: 8am-5pm
Friday: 8am-4:30pm



OFFICE OF *Student Services*



2024-2025

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS APPLICATION

Submit by Friday, September 13 at 11:59 p.m.
Scan for Application or Visit https://bit.ly/AS_2024



Mesa's Associated Students are looking for students with a desire to learn and represent their community! Please pass this along to your students. Deadline to submit an application is Friday, September 13, 2024, at 11:59 p.m.

NEW PROGRAM!

The San Diego Mesa College **Hire Up program** is a new program that launched this Fall 2024. The program is designed to provide financial support to students who were formerly incarcerated, are CalWORKs recipients, or are former foster youth. This program offers stipends to help cover college-related expenses, easing financial stress so students can focus more on their academic goals. The stipends are calculated based on an hourly wage and are tied to the number of units they are currently enrolled in, ensuring they align with your educational plan. To be considered for the Hire Up Program they need to meet the eligibility criteria

Stipends can go up to \$2,720/monthly based on enrollment levels, and is determined and subject to change based on unmet need as determined by the Financial Aid Office.

Eligibility Criteria

- U.S. Citizens, eligible non-citizens, or exempt from paying nonresident tuition per 68130.5.
- Must be a CalWORKs, Foster Youth, or formally incarcerated (within the last 3 years) and is currently participating in the Rising Scholars Network.
- Must be enrolled at least half-time (6 units) in a certificate or degree program.
- Must have a current FAFSA/CADAA on file.
- Must have unmet financial need.
- Remain in good academic standing per college policy.

Interested in the Hire Up Program? Contact CalWORKs, NextUp, FAST and Rising Scholars. Students must meet the eligibility requirements to participate in the program. Funding for Hire Up is limited, submitting an interest form does not guarantee a stipend.



The Stand: Dr. Pamela T. Luster Resource Center is excited to announce a new member to our team. Through a partnership with San Diego County Health & Human Services we are excited to welcome:

Monica Gonzalez, Human Services Specialist

Phone: 858-585-2553

Email: MonicaBibianaP.Gonzalez@sdcounty.ca.gov

Monica will be joining us on campus on Wednesdays to assist students with the CalFresh Application process.

Please feel free to send students to The Stand if they would like more information or to make an appointment to meet with Monica.

OFFICE OF *Administrative Services*

Are you experiencing loss of Canvas access, or having difficulties with Multi-Factor Authentication? Please contact the Mesa Technology Services Group for resolution at 619-388-2880, Service hours are 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on Fridays, or visit the Technology Services office at MC-215 during those same hours.



The period of student permit suspended enforcement has been extended **through August 30, 2024 with full enforcement beginning on September 3, 2024.**

All other violations, including staff permit violations, are being enforced.

For more information, please visit the [Parking Information Page](#).

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](#)

Ashanti Hands, Ed.D.

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Creating conditions that matter for our students to succeed!

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