

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

THE BETTE AND CÉSAR A. GONZÁLEZ SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship fund was established by the faculty and staff of San Diego Mesa College to recognize and provide financial assistance to a deserving student who has achieved outstanding scholarship and leadership.

TO BE ELIGIBLE, STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Be currently enrolled in at least 9 units at Mesa College
- Have completed a minimum of three (3) courses in Chicano Studies at Mesa College
- Have completed a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale for Mesa College courses completed, and cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher
- Have a declared academic goal of transfer to a four year institution
- Maintain academic progress. Progress verified by counseling
- Have leadership/service related to Chicanos/Latinos at Mesa College or in the community

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 Mesa College faculty, classified staff, student government, and administration.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Biographical Questionnaire	10 points maximum
GPA of 2.5 and higher	20 points maximum
Leadership/Community Service	20 points maximum
Essay	30 points maximum
Recommendation letters (2)	10 points maximum
Chicano Studies courses	10 points maximum

RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Recipients will be notified by mid-April. Awards will be presented on Friday May 7, 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.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants are requested to submit the following documentation:

1. Submit a fully completed biographical questionnaire. All information requested must be provided.
2. Submit two current letters of recommendation on official letterhead:
 - One (1) from a Mesa College faculty member (counselors are faculty members) specific to this scholarship and discussing your academic achievement and/or progress in your planned educational program.
 - One (1) from a person (faculty or non-faculty) who can provide information regarding your internship(s), work-experience, and/or community service activities.
3. Submit an **unofficial** transcript.
4. Submit a well-written original essay about your background, problems you have encountered, and your educational and career goals. Your essay should not exceed 500 words.

RETURN OR MAIL TO:

San Diego Mesa College
Student Affairs Office
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
7250 Mesa College Drive, H-500
San Diego, CA 92111

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