

# SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

## EOPS PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

*This scholarship fund was established by the EOPS Department of San Diego Mesa College in order to recognize and provide financial assistance to a deserving EOPS student currently in good standing with the program. **This scholarship is intended for continuing students.***

### **TO BE ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

- Be currently enrolled at least 9 units at Mesa College
- Be currently receiving services from the EOPS Program
- Have completed a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher
- **Plan to register in at least 12 units at Mesa College in the fall 2012 semester. Verification of enrollment for the fall 2012 semester will be required prior to release of award.**
- Maintain academic progress. Verification of academic progress from a counselor will be required.
- Must meet all of the requirements of the EOPS Mutual Responsibility Contract (MRC)

### **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 Mesa College EOPS Program, classified staff, student government, and administration.

### **APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:**

Biographical Questionnaire	20 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

### **RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Recipients will be notified by mid-April. Awards will be presented on Friday April 27, 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 **unofficial** transcripts.
3. Submit two current letters of recommendation on official letterhead:
  - One (1) from 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 (non-faculty) who can provide information regarding your internship(s) work-experience, leadership and/or community service activities.
4. Submit a typed well-written original essay with a paragraph on each of the following:
  - Why should you be awarded this scholarship?
  - What does your education mean to you?
  - What hardships/challenges have you encountered in obtaining an education?
  - What extra-curricular activities have you participated in, and what volunteer positions have you held?

The essay should be no more than two pages and double-spaced.

### **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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