

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
PETERSON AWARD FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND LEADERSHIP

This scholarship fund was established by George and Evelyn Peterson to recognize and provide financial assistance to deserving Mesa College students who have achieved outstanding scholarship and leadership.

TO BE ELIGIBLE, STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Current enrollment in at least 6 units at Mesa College
- Completion of a minimum of 6 units at Mesa College
- Grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale for San Diego Community College District courses completed
- Documented verification of Community Service

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 27, 2009

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be received by 4:00 p.m. on February 27, 2009. 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 Foundation.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Essay/Subject Matter	50 points maximum
Essay/Grammar	20 points maximum
Community Service	15 points maximum
Grade Point Average	15 points maximum

RECIPIENTS NOTIFICATION AND AWARDS

Recipients are notified in April. Certificates will be presented on Friday May 9, 2009 at the annual Scholarship Awards Banquet. **The \$1000 scholarship award will be made in two \$500 installments. The first installment will be released upon verification of enrollment in at least 6 units in the Fall 2009 semester. The second installment will be released upon verification of successful completion, with a GPA of at least 2.5 for coursework taken in the Fall 2009 semester and enrollment in at least 6 units in the Spring 2010 semester. All 2009/2010 scholarship awards must be disbursed by the completion of the Spring 2010 semester.**

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants are requested to submit the following documentation:

1. A fully completed application-biographical questionnaire. All information requested must be provided.

2. **Submit an original essay on the following topic:**
 - What do you hope to achieve as a result of your education at Mesa College?

The essay should be typewritten and no more than two pages, double-spaced.
The essay must address this topic.

3. Documented verification of community service:
 - Community Service work must be documented. Submit one current letter of recommendation on official letterhead from a person who can provide information regarding your community/volunteer service.

RETURN OR MAIL THIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AND ESSAY TO:

San Diego Mesa College
Student Affairs Office
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
7250 Mesa College Drive, H500
San Diego, CA 92111

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Application-Biographical Questionnaire

Date: _____ Student ID#: _____

Name: _____
last first middle

Address: _____
number and street city zip code

Telephone: _____
home work

Total Units Earned at Mesa _____ Cumulative SDCCD GPA _____

Number of units currently enrolled at Mesa _____

- Educational goals:**
- Transfer to four year college/university
 - Completion of A.A./A.S. degree
 - Completion of Certificate Program

CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE INFORMATION

I certify that the preceding information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and authorize the release of any student records to persons who need access to them in consideration of my application.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

OFFICE USE ONLY	OFFICE USE ONLY	OFFICE USE ONLY
ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION:		
Completed 6 units at Mesa	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
GPA 2.5 or higher	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Essay received	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Verified by _____
Demonstrated Community Service	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Date _____