

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
- **Plan to register at Mesa College in Fall 2010 and Spring 2011**
- **Documented verification of Community Service**

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 26, 2010

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be received by 12:00 p.m. on February 26, 2010. 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 7, 2010 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 2010 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 2010 semester and enrollment in at least 6 units in the Spring 2011 semester. All 2010/2011 scholarship awards must be disbursed by the completion of the Spring 2011 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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