

**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE  
PHYSICAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIP  
SUPPLEMENT  
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND LEADERSHIP AWARD**

*This scholarship fund was established by the faculty of San Diego Mesa College's Physical Sciences Department to recognize and provide financial assistance to one or more deserving student majoring in physical science other than chemistry. Eligible students must have a declared major in either engineering, physics, or physical sciences (general).*

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

- Be currently enrolled in at least 6 units at Mesa College
- Have completed a minimum of 5 units at Mesa College in the following disciplines: physics, engineering, astronomy, geology, physical science (general)
- Have completed a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale for Mesa College courses completed, and cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher

**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 Physical Sciences faculty.

**APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:**

Biographical Questionnaire	20 points maximum
GPA of 3.0 and higher	20 points maximum
Internships/community service, preferably in the field of physical sciences	15 points maximum
Essay	25 points maximum
Recommendation letters (2)	20 points maximum

**RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Recipients will be notified by mid-April. Awards will be presented on Friday May 8, 2009, at the Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet. Recipients will be honored as special guest 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. A fully completed application/biographical questionnaire. All information requested must be provided.
2. Two current letters of recommendation on official letterhead:
  - One (1) from a Mesa College faculty member (counselors and librarians are faculty members) specific to this scholarship, 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 and/or, community service activities.
3. Submit a well-written original essay about your background, your educational and career goals, and your interest in the field of Physics, Astronomy, Geology, and/or Engineering. 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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