

# SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

## Ruth Kern Memorial Scholarship

*This scholarship was established by a generous anonymous donor to honor the services and contributions of Ms. Ruth Kern, Past President of the Mesa College Foundation. This scholarship is intended for continuing students.*

### **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 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Declared Business Major
- **Plan to register at Mesa College in the fall 2012 semester in at least 6 units**

### **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 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 mid-April. Certificates 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 banquet is strongly encouraged so that your achievements can be celebrated and the generosity of the donors publicly acknowledged.

## **DISBURSEMENT OF AWARD**

The scholarship award will be made in two installments. The first installment will be released upon verification of enrollment in at least 6 units in the fall 2012 semester. The second installment will be released upon verification of successful completion, with a GPA of at least 3.0, for 6 units of coursework taken in the fall 2012 semester, and enrollment in at least 6 units in the spring 2013 semester. All 2012/2013 scholarship awards must be disbursed by the completion of the spring 2013 semester.

## **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 an original essay on the following topic:**

- How will this scholarship assist you in achieving your educational goals at Mesa College? Please discuss your personal and career/professional goals.

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

4. 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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