

YOU COULD BE THE CLASS OF 2017

Student Commencement Speaker



The San Diego Mesa College Commencement Speaker Selection Committee is looking for an outstanding graduating student to be the commencement speaker for the 2017 Mesa College graduation.

Graduation exercises will be held Saturday, May 20, 2017 at 3 p.m. at Jenny Craig Pavilion, University of San Diego.



This is your chance to represent the 2017 graduating class and to share your wisdom and insights with fellow graduating students.

The student chosen to speak at the graduation will be awarded a \$100 stipend.

To Apply visit <http://bit.ly/MesaCollegeCommencementSpeaker2017>

Deadline Monday, April 10, 2017 11:59pm

Eligibility Requirements

Students interested in applying must fulfill the following eligibility requirements:

- Completed or will complete a degree at Mesa College by Summer 2017.
- Petitioned to graduate. This step can be completed online at <https://studentweb.sdccd.edu/e-grades/> or by visiting the Evaluations Office, I4-306.
- Good academic and disciplinary standing.
- Applications with essay must be submitted online by 11:59 pm on Monday, April 10, 2017.
- Available to present speech to the Selection Committee on Thursday, April 13, 2017 between 8:30am – 9:15am.

Selection Process

Applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of faculty, staff, administrators & students. All finalists will be asked to deliver their speeches before the committee. During the selection process, the committee will evaluate based on the following criteria:

- Speech length
- Eye contact
- Delivery
- Ability to communicate the spirit of the day
- Clarity of the message
- Body language

The selected speaker is required to work with a coach from the Communication Studies Department to revise and refine her or his speech from the time of the selection through the graduation ceremony.