



#WE ARE *Mesa*

## Fall 2021

### Reconnecting

Welcome back to Fall 2021. As we begin the Fall semester, we find ourselves in a new set of challenging circumstances, battling COVID, protecting ourselves and our families, racial equity, international events, and all of the issues we had “in the before times”...and we are all trying to find some sort of rhythm and purpose as we move forward. Our students, faculty, staff, and administrators have worked tirelessly to stay connected and provide continuous access to learning over the past 18 months. As we embark on this next chapter, I urge you to stay connected to the many communications coming from our [District Office](#) and the college. #WeAreMesa is more than a hashtag, we are all about supporting this family, and as we begin our safe return to campus, I invite you to engage as often as possible in our work together.

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**Fall Convocation 2021**



### Mesa College Fall 2021 Virtual Convocation

Thursday, August 19, 2021

8:30 a.m. Districtwide Opening  
Session

9:00 a.m.. Mesa College  
Convocation

Join via Zoom, Flex available

Please join us on Thursday, August 19, 2021 for Convocation. Please attend the **San Diego Mesa College Fall 2021 Semester Virtual Convocation** on Thursday, August 19, 2021. The morning will begin with a **Districtwide Opening Session** from 8:30 – 8:50 a.m. with a message from Chancellor Carlos O. Turner Cortez, Trustee President Maria Nieto Senour, and AFT President Jim Mahler. The Districtwide Opening Session will be available via Zoom Webinar, and will also be streamed live on YouTube.

The **San Diego Mesa College Convocation** will follow that program in a separate zoom webinar beginning at 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and will include campus updates, a peek at the events and goals for the 2021-22 Academic Year, and announcement of the Olympian Spirit Awards. *Please see your email for the Zoom links.*

## Campus Community Forums



This Fall, we will continue our [Campus Community Forums](#), focused on providing information, updates and support to our community. In summer and fall, Forums have focused on the work we do to continue to be the Leading College of Equity and Excellence. Our next Forum is on Tuesday, September 14, at 2:15 p.m. —invitation and information coming soon.

## In-Person and Online Student Support

Student Services continues to create conditions that matter for our students to succeed. This Fall, on-line support will continue, and many services will resume with on-campus/in-person support. Please visit our [Online Student Support Services](#) page to access information about online/remote services available to students, such as Financial Aid, Counseling, Tutoring, Library Services and more. If students have questions, or need help knowing where to go, please have them call our **Services Helpline at 619-800-2230, M-Th, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and Fri, 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.**

## The Stand Farmers Market Continues

The Stand Basic Needs Resource Center is working remotely to serve students. We are happy to provide two large FREE food distributions each month. To ensure that students don't miss out on the opportunity to participate in our mobile markets and other events, please encourage them to [Register to opt in for emails about upcoming events](#). Please visit [The Stand webpage](#) for Fall 2021 Mobile Market and Farmers Market dates.

## Fall Classes Still Available

Multiple full-term and over 40 “short-term” classes are still available this fall, most of which start on October 11. Please share the information with your students. For more information, they can visit [www.sdmesa.edu/Fall](http://www.sdmesa.edu/Fall).

## Upcoming Events



[Mesa College Associated Students](#) are hosting a [Welcome Back Virtual Pep Rally](#) on August 17, all are welcome. Please see the [Mesa Campus Calendar](#) for information on that and other upcoming events.