



Hello Mesa College Community!

Weekly Update from Prez Hands provides a brief overview of the exciting efforts taking place within our community. The updates are also a great way to tell our collective story of success, and to document our journey of becoming the Leading College of Equity and Excellence. Enjoy!

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OFFICE OF THE *President*

You are cordially invited to **Save-the-Date for the San Diego Mesa College 60th Anniversary Celebration on Wednesday, January 31, 2024**. In 2024, Mesa College will be celebrating 60 years of equity and excellence. You are invited to be a part of the celebration as we launch our year-long festivities. We will begin with a formal program on the Quad from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and transition to music, dancing and other celebratory activities. Join us as we celebrate with students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni, partners, the Mesa College Foundation, and members of the community. Your presence will add to the joy as we reflect on the past and look forward to continued years of empowering students with knowledge and opportunities. Please save the date and plan to join us! More details to follow.



As the semester come to a close, I want to wish all of our Mesa Community a wonderful winter break and a happy new year!

OFFICE OF *Instruction*

The San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation (EDC) named Mesa's Computer Information Science program is now a Verified Program of Computing Talent! Programs were verified as part of a rigorous evaluation process led by Advancing San Diego, the flagship program of EDC's Talent Initiatives, which serves to double the production of skilled workers in San Diego while prioritizing historically underrepresented populations in the innovation economy.



Last week, the **Allied Health Department co-hosted the Healthcare Career and College Symposium with the San Diego Unified School District**. The group was able to present and interact with over 300 high school students from across the county who are focused on future healthcare pathways. Mesa College hosted the panel discussions on all of our various healthcare pathways and were able to answer questions from potential students. We were also lucky to have our dental students join us and also discuss their career journey. It was such a great event!

Last week, Mesa held an **AANAPISI Study Jam** all week long! Students came to study, snack, and get tutored to power through finals together. Each day, the sessions were held in different areas of the campus including the Avanza Engagement Center, Veterans Success Center, Honors Center, and Pride Center.





- **Spring 2024 Promise applications** are due Sunday, January 14, 2024 at 11:59 PM.
- **Spring 2024 Promise contract deadline** is Sunday, January 28, 2024 at 11:59 PM.
- **Fall 2024 Promise applications open** Monday, January 22, 2024.

Dreamer Resource Center and Borderless Scholars – FREE legal immigration consultations with an attorney are available for students and employees! Mesa College and Borderless Scholars are partnering with JFS/HELs to offer FREE legal immigration consultations! To learn more about this service, please contact the EOPS Office to schedule an appointment with a Borderless Scholars Counselor or visit our website at: <https://www.sdmesa.edu/student-services/eops/borderless-scholars/resources.shtml> and www.ifssd.org/HELs.

Participatory Governance

To learn more about our Associated Students, Academic Senate, and Classified Senate, please visit the links below:

Associated Students

Academic Senate

Classified Senate

In The Know

For additional information on what is happening on campus and in our community - visit the links below:

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