

Weekly Updates from Prez Hands: October 26, 2022
Sent On Behalf Of President Ashanti T. Hands



Hello Mesa College Community,
Weekly Updates from Prez Hands provide 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!

WOW (Word of the Week) - Enrollment (aka Duplicated Headcount)

- The number of seats enrolled, sometimes referred to as duplicated headcount.
- Enrollment for a department, division and college is 'duplicated' in the sense that all class enrollments are counted, including students taking multiple courses.

Office of the President Updates

I joined students in the "Careers in Congress" event yesterday, where students learned about different job opportunities available in Congress. The U.S. House Office of Diversity and Inclusion hosted the event, along with representatives from the office of Congressman Scott Peters.

The U.S. Department of State recognized San Diego Mesa College as one of the U.S. colleges and universities that sent the most scholars abroad through the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program during academic year 2020-2021. The Gilman Scholarship expands access and equity in study abroad and international internship opportunities among U.S. undergraduate students with high financial need.

I will join members of the SDCCD Community at the County of San Diego Black Chamber of Commerce 2022 Gala at the Hilton San Diego Bayfront on Friday evening. The theme of the event is "Business By The Bay: Celebrating SD Economic Engines". The event is also a fundraiser for the Urban Business Resource Center (UBRC).

Campus Events

As their final event of LGBTQIA+ History Month, the Mesa College Pride Center is hosting a "Sip 'n Paint" event today, from 1:00pm to 2:30pm, in AVANZA, room I4-202. This afternoon tea party event will allow attendees to connect and de-stress while painting to their heart's content. Everyone is welcome! RSVP is requested, which can be accessed [here](#).

The Mesa College Transfer Center is hosting UC San Diego Day today in the Mesa Commons Breezeway from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Students can connect with UC San Diego Representatives from Admissions, Financial Aid and Scholarships, and various Academic departments as well.

Today the Mesa College Outreach Ambassadors Team will join the California Student Opportunity and Access Program (CALSOAP) College Fair in providing information to future students on college enrollment, financial aid, Free Tuition with the San Diego Promise Program, and more. This event will take place from 4:30pm to 8:00pm at the Scottish Rite Center.

Tomorrow from 10:30am to 2:30pm, Student Health Services will host the Early Signs of Psychosis Event in collaboration with UCSD, which will be located in MC-211 A/B.

There will be a Self-Care and Time Management Workshop held this Friday from 10:00am to 11:00am in the AVANZA Room (14-202) or attendees can use the Zoom ID: 859 4383 3195. Attendees will learn how to prioritize their schedule, formulate time management, and learn techniques that focus on taking care. The Mesa College Olympians Football Team will take on Fullerton College this Saturday. Kickoff (at Fullerton) is scheduled for 6:00pm.

Office of Instruction Updates

Here is a 2 minute video created to recap the recent [MOST's Fall22 "Include" Cohort](#). Eighteen faculty recently completed the LOFT's MOST Include Session.

Student Services Updates

The [Career Ready Guide Student Data](#), documenting responses from December 2021 to September 2022, is now available.

Students who have completed course chapters in the [Career Ready Guide](#) are awarded Career Ready Guide Certificates of Completion.

Promise Counselors are facilitating Promise Workshops for Mesa Promise students. There are a total of 7 workshops scheduled throughout the semester for Promise students to take advantage of. Promise students that attend a workshop will have this count as one of the counseling contacts required for the semester. The Workshop topics include Financial Literacy, Heart and Stones-Rock Painting, Learn about Graduate School, Understanding the Transfer Process, Navigating my Mesa Planner, and Academic Success.

In preparation for spring registration, counselors have additional availability for drop-in/walk-in sessions in the upcoming weeks for general questions and registration support. Although drop-in availability will increase over time, appointments will still be offered to students throughout the semester.

In the Know

To stay abreast of the latest news and to find out what's happening on campus, visit the links below.

- [Mesa College Newsroom](#)
- [Mesa College Events Calendar](#)

Best,
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