# MESA/MPS/UndocuSTEM

Newsletter Winter 2026 - Week 11

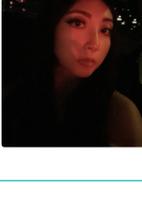## Highlights!

**☆ Your Week 11 with MESA!**

**Welcome to Week 11!**
With only one more week until finals, this is the perfect time to get any last-minute help you need. If assignments, review problems, or exam prep are starting to feel overwhelming, remember that MESA is here to support you. Stop by for drop-in math help, ask questions, review concepts, or simply use the space to focus and study. Let's make the most of this last week and finish the quarter strong together!

De Anza College **MESA**
Math, Engineering and Science Achievement

## Highlight!

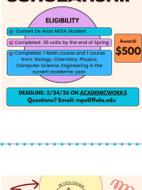**Meet our MESA Tutor Yadira Lopez!**

Hi! My name's Yadira and I'm a statistics tutor for the MPS program. I enjoy watching horror movies and hiking. I first took statistics as a major requirement and ended up loving it. That led me to this tutoring opportunity! I'm currently a nursing major, but my childhood dream was to become a teacher and while I chose a different path, I'm grateful for the chance to support others in their learning through this role.

## MESA/De Anza College Events

**MESA Scholarship 2026!**

The MESA Scholarship is dedicated to MESA students who have successfully completed math coursework and made positive impacts in their communities. This scholarship recognizes students who demonstrate both academic achievement and a commitment to giving back.
**Apply on De Anza College Academic Work!**
**Application Deadline: 24 April 2026.**

MESA 2026 SCHOLARSHIP

**MPS Scholarship 2026!**

We are excited to announce the MPS Scholarship, dedicated to supporting MPS students who have successfully completed Math through the MPS Program and who have made positive impacts in their communities. This scholarship recognizes students who not only demonstrate strong academic commitment to mathematics, but also show leadership, service, and dedication to helping others.
**Apply on De Anza College Academic Work!**
**Application Deadline: 24 April 2026.**

MPS 2026 SCHOLARSHIP

**UndocuSTEM Scholarship 2026!**

The UndocuSTEM Program will award two $500 scholarships who meet the scholarship criteria and have made a positive impact on the undocumented community. Open to all students regardless of ethnic or immigration background.
**Apply on De Anza College Academic Work!**
**Application Deadline: 24 April 2026.**

UNDOCU SCHOLARSHIP

**Women in Engineering Conference!**

Below are a few Conferences opportunities for MESA Students. Registration fees and accommodations* (when out of state) will be provided by the MESA Program. ONLY MESA Students are allowed to apply.

- **2026 Conference WIE Saturday Mar 21, 2026; 7:30am – 6:30pm at San Jose State University (Limited Spots Available).**

For more information: https://2026.siliconvalleywie.org/
RSVP:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScUGx0DJ_PE3OJIzr7mkzCN8fMKvX2Oth4qJGRXTadh3SHtV/viewform

**Save the Date for UndocuSTEM!**

We are excited to bring back the 5th Annual UndocuSTEM Conference at De Anza College! Join us on April 30th to hear from inspiring STEM professionals in Biology, Engineering, and Computer Science. This conference is a vital platform for all students, specifically undocumented and DACAmented students to gain the resources, mentorship, and community support needed to thrive in STEM pathways. Full Program to come.

5TH ANNUAL UNDOCUSTEM MESA CONFERENCE
APRIL 30 2026

## External Opportunity

**ScholarMatch STEM Transfer Program**

The ScholarMatch STEM Transfer Program, supports low-income and first-generation students by providing guidance with transfer planning and application preparation. Through the program, students are paired with a trained ScholarMatch Transfer Coach who offers personalized, one-on-one support with college and financial aid applications.

Students can submit the application by the priority deadline of May 15 or by the final deadline on September 15, 2026. The application can be found here:
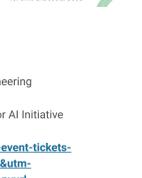https://forms.scholarmatch.org/t/gCUu7ScVRqua

**ScholarMatch Virtual informational Sessions every Tuesday**

ScholarMatch will hold virtual informational sessions every Tuesday from 12:00 PM to 12:30 PM, beginning on March 11 through May 12th. You can find more details on our website page. We are also happy to coordinate a separate informational session at a date and time that best fits your schedule and your students' needs. Please let us know if you'd be interested.

**2026 San Jose Women in AI Event**

We are excited to invite you to a Women in AI Panel Discussion and Networking Event on March 23rd 5-7pm! This event is being hosted in collaboration with the AI Center for Civic and Social Good in Room 225 of the St. Martin Luther King Jr. Library (150 E San Fernando, San José, 95112).
**Featured Speakers:**
- Amanda Renteria, CEO, Code for America
- Sheryl Ekman, SJSU, Dean, Charles W. Davidson College of Engineering
- LaTonya, Kapor Center, Chief Technology Community Officer
- Moderator: Sandy Hirsh, SJSU, Special Assistant to the Provost for AI Initiative

Register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2026-san-jose-women-in-ai-event-tickets-1964156095882?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdssbdestsearch

**Bridges x MRRC's Transfer Empowerment Day!**

Welcome to bridges x MRRC's Transfer Empowerment Day! We'll be hosting a number of presentations and workshops on zoom centered on professional development. Ranging from LinkedIn development, resume development, interview tips, job recruitment demystifying and Berkeley specific programs aimed at professional development!
The event will be hosted on zoom March 22nd from 12 - 4 pm and is open to both current transfers and community college students looking to get a head start!

Register:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScokQlRouxbBapP9oUyavra0CqAcCBa73havWmJCYcNaFfYMA/viewform?usp=header

**The Science and Technology Speaker Series**

The Science and Technology Speaker Series recently featured Dr. E. Lara Lash. This event provided an opportunity for students to hear from a professional in the STEM field and learn more about experiences and perspectives in science and technology.
**Date: Wednesday, March 25, 2026**
**Time: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM**
**Location: Cupertino Community Hall**
**Address: 10350 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, CA 95014**
For more information: https://cupertino-chamber.org/calendar/#id=11248&cid=233&wid=501

**Jim McEntee Scholarship 2026-2027 Academic Year**

This scholarship fund is open solely to community college students in Santa Clara County who
are transferring this academic year to a four-year university with junior year status.
**Applications must be received by 11:59 pm on May 10, 2026.**
**For additional information, go to FriendsOfHumanRelations.org**

**HackHayward 2.0**

HackHayward 2.0: Build with AI & an Entrepreneurial Eye is a next-generation collegiate hackathon hosted in Hayward, CA designed to help students create AI-driven solutions and develop the entrepreneurial mindset needed to carry their ideas beyond the event.
**From March 21 - 22**
**California State University, East Bay**
For more information and application: https://gdg.community.dev/events/details/google-gdg-on-campus-california-state-university-east-bay-hayward-united-states-presents-hackhayward-20-build-with-ai-an-entrepreneurial-eye/

**The Bay Area Biomedical Device Conference**

The Bay Area Biomedical Device Conference is a forum for exposure to the latest advances in medical device technologies and regulations. We are excited to invite students and faculty from DeAnza College to attend our conference on Wednesday, April 1, 2026, at the Student Union Ballroom at San José State University. This is a full-day event focused on biomedical innovation, industry insights, research, and professional development opportunities within the biomedical device field.

How to apply and for more information: https://www.biomedicalconference.org/

**PG&E College Scholarships**

The PG&E Corporation Foundation (PG&E Foundation) is inviting students to apply for its annual Better Together STEM Scholarship Program. The scholarships are for students who are passionate about shaping the future through Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) disciplines.

Interested applicants can learn more and apply here: https://www.pge.com/en/about/educational-resources/grants-and-scholarships.html
The deadline to apply is March 12, 2026.

PG&E Corporation Foundation

**AAUW San Jose-Scholarship for Local Women**

Advancing gender equity includes helping women manage the high cost of higher education. In 2025 alone, AAUW-SJ awarded more than $150,000 in scholarship money to 19 local students.

How to apply and for more information: https://sanjose-ca.aauw.net/local-scholarship-application-information/
**Application deadline: 15 April 2026.**

### MORE OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for potential internship opportunities? Check out these websites
- REU Finder for STEM undergraduates
- STEM Community College Resource

**Get Updates From Our Transfer Center**
Transfer Center Website
Join the mailing list through this form.

## FEATURED @ DE ANZA

**Math, Science & Technology Resource Center (MSTRC)**
Need some extra support? Stop by the MSTRC for additional tutoring and resources!

**Tutoring Subjects**
- Math
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Engineering

**Services Offered**
- Drop-In Tutoring
- Weekly Individual Tutoring
- Group Tutoring
- In-Class Tutoring
- Workshops (back by popular demand)
- Math Review and Preparation
- Math Modules
- Study Skills

**UNDOCUSTEM**
UndocuSTEM aims to support undocumented students in the fields of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) through accessibility, opportunity, and resources by creating a program that promotes equity, racial justice, leadership, and career development. The UndocuSTEM program was founded by students, and funded through the LatinX/CEL grant from the Silicon Valley Community Foundation.

Arlyne - an UndocuSTEM Research Intern - who has worked together with volunteers to create an excel sheet to track all the available internships from this Fall. Take a few minutes to check it out

**Connect with UndocuSTEM**
Instagram
Discord
Email:
de.undocustem@gmail.com

**SACNAS (Society for Chicanos and Native Americans in the Sciences)**
De Anza College is in the process of getting a SACNAS Chapter. If you are interested in joining, please fill out this interest form

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