

MESA/MPS/UndocuSTEM

Newsletter Winter 2026 - Week 9

Highlights!

🌟 Your Week 9 with MESA!

Welcome to Week 9!

By now, the quarter is in full swing and assignments and exams may be starting to pile up—but you don't have to do it alone. MESA is here to support you with drop-in math help, a welcoming space to ask questions, and a place to reset, focus, and build confidence. Let's keep the momentum going and finish the quarter strong together!

De Anza College



Highlight Upcoming Event!

MESA STEM TALK: The Biology of Success:

Transferring from MESA to UC Davis Human Bio

A former De Anza MESA student shares a strategic roadmap for successfully transferring to and thriving within the Human Biology program at UC Davis. This talk covers navigating the transition to a top-tier pre-health environment, leveraging MESA resources for a competitive application, and finding research or clinical opportunities within the College of Biological Sciences. Learn how to bridge the gap between community college and a career in healthcare or research.

DATE: MAR 5, 2026

TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: ONLINE

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/QYezaYnsCs66EwD56>



Highlight!

Healthcare Career Panel at De Anza College

We had a wonderful time celebrating and honoring Sandra Diaz yesterday, which featured an inspiring healthcare panel followed by engaging workshops on global health and equitable practices. It was amazing to see Conferences A and B come together in one space, sharing ideas and building community. Thank you to everyone who joined us and made the event such a success. We look forward to seeing even more of you at our next gathering!



Meet our MESA Tutor Jesus Urias!

Hi everyone! I'm Jesus Alberto Urias, a tutor for the MPS program and a Computer Engineering student. I started in Computer Science but found my passion for hardware after visiting Stanford's NANO center. I love technology and helping others navigate STEM, which can be tough without support. MESA offers great resources, and I'm here to help as a Math tutor. Fun fact: I love gaming (especially Final Fantasy XIV) and cooking—I've made everything from steaks to pastries!



MESA/De Anza College Events

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/1FAIpQLSc0SxODJ_PE3QJtr7m6zCN8IMKnX20bfr4qJG80Tadh3SH0/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.



External Opportunity

HKN IEEE Outreach Event

Hello! The Iota Gamma chapter of Eta Kappa Nu (HKN) at UCLA is thrilled to invite community college students to our HKN IEEE Outreach event. This event is designed to help you learn about the exciting world of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE), gain insight into UCLA's ECE program, explore transfer-friendly resources available to you, and compare UCLA to Berkeley. While HKN is an honor society for electrical and computer engineers, the resources and support we offer are open to all students interested in engineering and technology fields. We look forward to hearing from you and helping you take the next steps on your academic journey.



Event Date: 3/6/2026 2PM to 3PM

Link: <https://ucla.zoom.us/j/96767869666>

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](https://www.friendsofhumanrelations.org)



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>

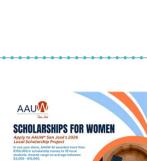
The deadline to apply is March 12, 2026.

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



PUMAS Summer Internship

PUMAS is Gladstone's flagship internship program designed to support and mentor community college students, providing them with hands-on research experience and a pathway into the sciences.



Submission deadline: March 9, 2026, at 6pm PST

How to apply and for more information: https://gladstone.org/training/pumas-summer-internship-program?utm_source=External+Email+List&utm_campaign=3c8b03b843-PUMAS+Application+2026+-+First+Campaign&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f25fc65fc1-3c8b03b843-119828184

The SHPEtinus Conference

The SHPEtinus Conference is a one-day experience designed to bring together SHPEtinus and allies from across the region for connection, SHPEtinus and allies from across the region for connection, empowerment, and growth in a safe and inclusive space.



Location: [Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA](https://www.santaclara.edu)

Date and Time: Saturday, Mar 7 from 8:30 am to 5 pm PST

Registration and for more information: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/region-1-shpetinas-conference-tickets-1980734806125>

MORE OPPORTUNITIES

Looking for potential Internship opportunities? Check out these websites

- [BEU Finder for STEM undergraduates](#)
- [STEM Community College Resource](#)

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Math, Science & Technology Resource Center (MSTRC)

Need some extra support?

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Tutoring Subjects

- Math
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Engineering

Services Offered

- [Drop-in Tutoring](#)
- [Weekly Individual Tutoring](#)
- [Group Tutoring](#)
- [In-Class Tutoring](#) (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 **LatinXCEL 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: da.undocustem@gmail.com



SACNAS (Society for Chicano 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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