

MESA/MPS/UndocuSTEM

Newsletter Winter 2026 - Week 8

Highlights!

🌟 Your Week 8 with MESA!

Welcome to Week 8!

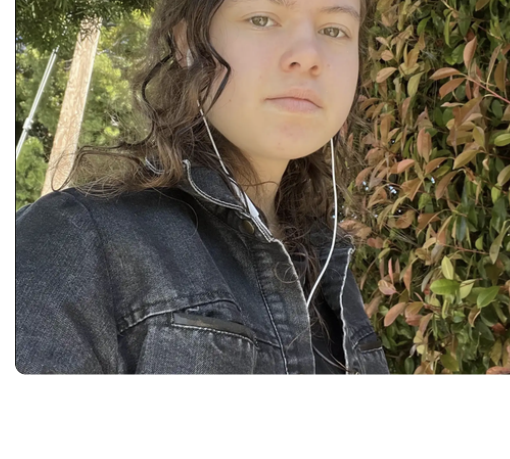
By now, the quarter is in full swing and assignments and exams may be starting to pile up—but you don't have to do it alone. MESA is here to support you with drop-in math help, a welcoming space to ask questions, and a place to reset, focus, and build confidence. Let's keep the momentum going and finish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



Highlight!

Meet our MESA Tutor Rowan Schmieder-Frank!

I'm a tutor at the MESA center and I'm super excited to work with y'all! I have some experience working with students a middle school level, but this is my first time working with college students. A large part of why I wanted to work with students in general is remembering how much trouble I had with school, especially math, when I was younger. Math and school don't have to be scary, and I hope that I can help you believe me.



MESA/De Anza College Events

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>



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.siliconvalleywye.org/>

RSVP:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc0SxODJ-PE30Jter7m6zCN8IMKnX2Ohfr4qJg80ITad3SHO/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.



Healthcare Career Panel at De Anza College Tues 3/3/26!

Join this tribute mini conference! Registered Nurses will share their academic and career journey as a way to inspire and motivate our De Anza students towards a career in the healthcare industry. These panelists will share their journey, challenges and celebrations and their current role in the frontlines.

Date: Tues 3 March 2026

Time: 12:00-3:00

Location: Conference Room A&B

For more information please go to: <https://www.deanza.edu/nursing/diaz.html> To register click [here!](#)



DAHacks Recruiting

DAHacks, De Anza's annual hackathon run by De Anza Developers, is recruiting student organizers for 2026 to 2027. Roles include Marketing and Outreach, Logistics, Finance and Sponsors, and Tech.

The deadline to apply is March 1

Apply here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9An4SHeBn0thAxGKFSZjHTTITtkygP2lpGtQUy-9JomUWg/viewform>

Students transferring in Fall 2026 are not eligible.



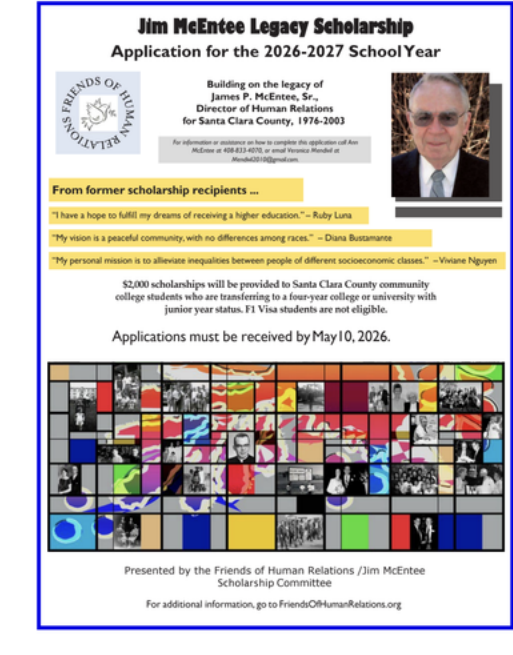
External Opportunity

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.

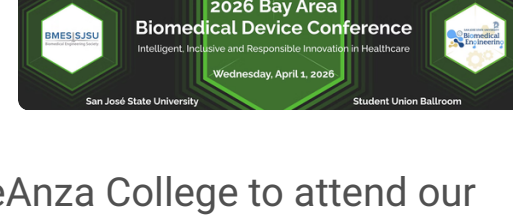
Applications must be received by 11:59 pm on May 10, 2026.

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.

Nano Stanford

This opportunity is open to all Bay Area community college students, and no prior lab experience is required. We truly encourage everyone to apply, curiosity and interest are all you need. We expect to hire 3-4 interns, with positions beginning in April 2026.

Application deadline is February 23.

Application Link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeJleEfr30d_WhGZt-PXoo38faGkw0CLes2JgShkxWr3XoD0/viewform

For more information: <https://nanolabs.stanford.edu/education/internships>

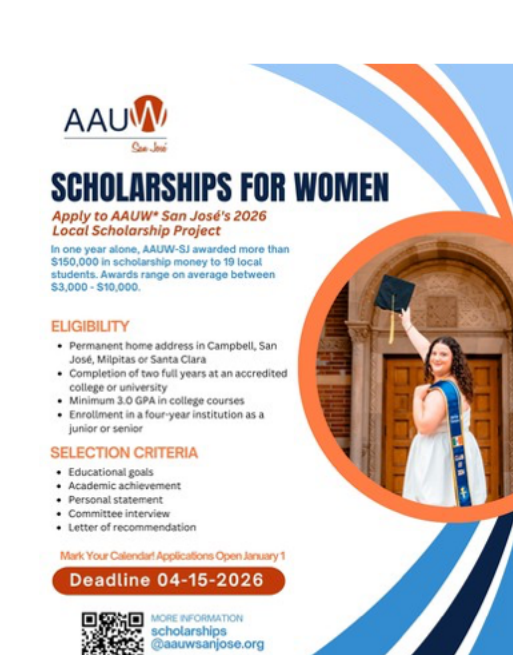


AAUW San Jose-Scholarship for Local Women

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+Applications+2026+-+First+Campaign&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_125fc65fc1-3c8b03b843-119828184

Engineering Pathway Program

Engineering Pathway Program focuses on propelling California community college engineering transfer students into the California workforce. Our goal is to ensure that community college students transferring to CSUs or UCs in engineering will have full participation in the California workforce. We are looking for students transferring in fall 2026.



Deadline: Feb 27, 2026

How to apply and for more information: <https://samueli.ucla.edu/engineering-pathways-for-community-college-students/epp-application/>

Day of Science Febuary 28th, 2026

Day of Science is CCOP's annual celebration of STEM, research, and community that takes place at the College of San Mateo (CSM) in collaboration with CSM's Mathematics, Engineering, Science, and Achievement (MESA).

RSVP:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd7Dek675bFNNHFKn69rUJZhsS5ld8hMXPt4LKnkzXisYlA/viewform>

For more information: <https://ccop.stanford.edu/>



The SHPETinas Conference

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

Location: Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA

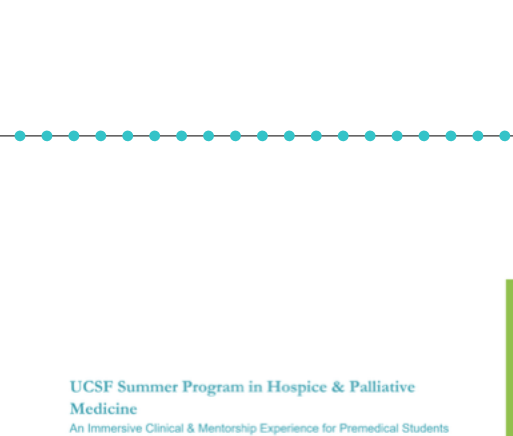
Date and Time: Saturday, Mar 7 from 8:30 am to 5 pm PST

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



UCSF Summer 2026 Pre-med Program Hospice and Palliative Medicine

The 3.5-week program provides premedical students with an immersive clinical experience in the field of hospice and palliative medicine, with clinical shadowing in inpatient palliative medicine, outpatient palliative medicine (virtual visits), and home-based hospice. The program includes didactics related to the field of hospice and palliative medicine, including tools for resiliency in this work. Participants will also be provided with longitudinal mentorship by palliative care physicians at UCSF through the medical school application process and beyond.



Application deadline is February 28, 2026.

How to apply and for more information: <https://palliativemedicine.ucsf.edu/education/hospice-palliative-medicine-pre-med-summer-program>

Scholarships For Dreamers

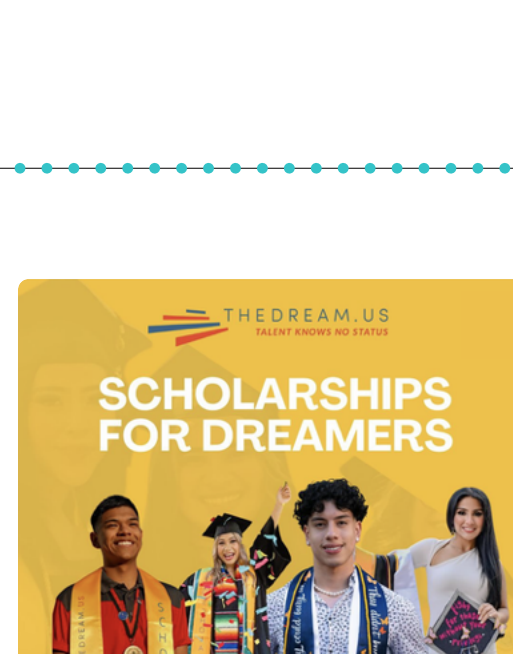
Who can apply:

- First-generation immigrant students
- Are currently undocumented (with or without DACA or TPS)
- Came to the U.S before November 1 2020
- Have lived continuously in the U.S since then
- Entered the U.S before the age of 16
- Earned or will earn a high school diploma or GED in the U.S

National Scholarships (Deadline: 28 February 2026)

- Up to \$16,500 for an associate degree
- Up to \$33,000 for a bachelor's degree
- Up to \$6,000 in stipends

APPLY NOW: <https://www.thedream.us/scholarships/>



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](#).

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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 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!

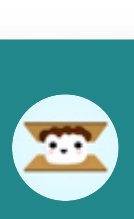
Connect with UndocuSTEM!
[Instagram](#)
[Discord](#)

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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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Yvette is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters