

MESA/MPS/UndocuSTEM

Newsletter Winter 2026 - Week 6

Highlights!

Your Week 6 with MESA!

Welcome to Week 6!
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 Min Thant Tun!

Hi! My name is Min Thant Tun but you can also call me Reese. I am a MPS tutor at the MESA center right now. I actually applied to be a tutor at the MESA center after a workshop for out-of-state university applications with Luis. In high school, I learned my love for mathematics, particularly pure mathematics. But life isn't always about math: in my free time, I love to play games like Apex, Valorant, and CSGO. I also love watching movies: The Godfather, Se7en, School Ties, and THE BATMAN.



MESA @ SUMMA Conference

Last Saturday, 13 of our MESA students attended the SUMMA (Stanford University Minority Medical Alliance) Conference. The event provided our pre-health students with the resources and guidance necessary to apply for medical school and advanced health programs. It was an inspiring day, and our students returned with valuable lessons to help them on their professional journeys!



MESA/De Anza College Events

Starts Tomorrow! MESA Career Prep Workshops!

Join MESA Program Workshops (open to all students)! Workshops will focus on everything you need to be ready to show off your best professional self. Topics include resume, interview prep & internship search tips!

- Tomorrow! Learn how to land an internship- advice from a current MESA student | Tuesday, Feb 10 | 12:30PM-1:30PM | S-54

Everyone is welcome! We will have pizza!
RSVP: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1yDUHoqay6T6jF9APOjxZorESfrMfgKvJ1TadaXRWts/prefill>



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_Pe3OJtr7m6zCN8IMKnX20bfr4qJG80Tadh3SH0/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. For more information please go to: <https://www.deanza.edu/nursing/diaz.html> To register click here!



Entrepreneurship Series, Chapter 2: Brainstorming Your Business.

Join UndocuSTEM's second entrepreneurship workshop.

Date: Wednesday February 11 2026
Time: 1pm - 2pm
Location: E-COT
RSVP: <https://forms.gle/qmUBTAc4dm4aNCEk7>



The WiCS Online Hackathon

The WiCS Online Hackathon is a 1-week, fully online, low-pressure hackathon focused on helping participants start projects they've been putting off.

- Start: Monday, February 9th @ 9:00 AM
- End: Sunday, February 15th @ 11:59 PM

Register: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScXZmZROJ4x8FuE2x4XE534m9KWYyuK93LA_TaKa1VyQIUNA/viewform



External Opportunity

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/1FAIpQLScJeEfr30d_WhGZt-PXoo38faGkw0CLes2JqShkxWr3XoD0/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 \$100,000 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



Valley Water's 2026 College Summer Internship Program

Valley Water's 2026 College Summer Internship Program offers students nationwide a chance to gain practical experience while exploring careers in the water industry. Each intern will have a Valley Water staff mentor and will receive professional development training, participate in networking events, and prepare a capstone presentation at the end of the program.

- Application deadline: February 15, 2026 (Closing at 11:59 PM PST)
- Apply here: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/scrwd>



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_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/eppp-application/>



Day of Science February 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/1FAIpQLSd7Dek675bNNHFKn69tUJZhsS5id9hMXPt4LKnkzXISyIA/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 inclusive for connection, empowerment, and growth in a safe and the region 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

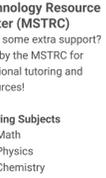
Looking for potential Internship opportunities? Check out these websites

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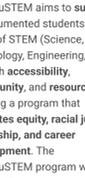
Math, Science & Technology Resource Center (MSTRC)
Need some extra support? Stop by the MSTRC for additional tutoring and resources!

Tutoring Subjects

- Math
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology
- Engineering

Services Offered

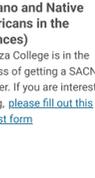
- Drop-in Tutoring
- Weekly Individual Tutoring
- Group Tutoring
- In-Class Tutoring
- Workshops (back by popular demand)
- Math Review and Preparation
- Math Modules
- Study Skills



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 LatinXCEJ 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!
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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