

MESA Weekly News – Oct 3rd

The Engineering/SHPE club is working toward a very strong turnout at the SHPE National Conference in Phoenix, AZ on Nov 12th-16th. If you plan to be there, you MUST register online by Monday, Oct 6th! Don't let \$\$ stop you, the group has free transportation and is raising funds for registration too.

Field trips to UC Berkeley Engineering and UC Davis (science & engineering) are coming up soon so sign up now at the MESA Center! Also, check out the two internship programs that you can apply for now – come to my workshop on Friday about how to prepare a strong application!

Finally, the other big news is that the Science & Technology Division received yet another grant from the US Department of Education. It's worth \$1.5million over the next two years to strengthen and expand math, science and engineering at Cañada!

TO DO THIS WEEK

- Mon 6th – DEADLINE – Register for the SHPE National Conference – if you plan to go to the SHPE Conference in Phoenix, AZ, Nov 12-16th you MUST register online by Oct 6th www.shpe.org (or email Aldo at arum.kum@gmail.com or Edgar at edeloa@gmail.com) for help
- Fri 10th 11am – MESA Workshop: Applying for Internships – come to the MESA Center to learn about two open internships and how to have a strong application. Free lunch!
- Sign Up Now at the MESA Center!
- Oct 31st UC Berkeley Community College Day in Engineering (maybe Biology Scholars too)
- Nov 7th – UC Davis Community College Transfer Day for Science and Engineering Majors
- Come to the Olive Festival -- Cañada College Arts & Olive Festival is Sunday October 5th (10am-5pm). It's a huge fundraiser for scholarships and we need volunteers – contact Linda at hayes@smccd.edu More info: www.olivefest.org

MESA Workshop - Applying for Internships -- Friday, Oct 10th – The UC Davis 2-week Winter internship in Biophotonics is now open for you to apply (deadline Oct 24th). So is the Dept of Energy's Community College Internship program for engineers and science majors. Come learn about both programs, the process for applying and tips for putting together a strong application. Enjoy a free lunch too! Fri, Oct 10th, 11am-noon @ the MESA Center

MESA Workshop – Writing Strong Personal Statements -- Monday, Oct 13th – Tips for making your personal statement essays as strong as possible. How to start, what to include and ways to align your

personal statement to a specific scholarship opportunity and more. Enjoy free snacks too! Mon, Oct 13th, 2:30 – 3:30pm @ the MESA Center

Cañada Survey – you may win a free iPod or \$150 iTunes gift card! The survey helps the college with ideas for reaching more students like you. It will simply ask you about how you use the media and spend your time. To participate, go to: <http://www.interactresearch.org/mp23/>

Username: canada and Password: redwood

October 20-24th is Chemistry Week!

Mark your calendars for these events. More details in next week's MESA News.

22nd – Guest Speaker: Howard Peters "Chocolate - Food of the Gods" 9:30am -11:00 am (3-148)

23rd – Chemistry Career Panel – 9:30-11am (17-203)

25th – Chemistry Outreach @ Sequoia Station 10:00am – 1:00pm

MESA Field Trips

Sign up for fall semester MESA field trips now! There's a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the MESA Center alongside flyers for upcoming fall events.

Trips to Universities

- Oct 31st – UC Berkeley Community College Day in Engineering (maybe Biology Scholars too)
<http://coe.berkeley.edu/students/prospective-students/prospective-student-events/community-college-day-2.html>
- Nov 7th – UC Davis Community College Transfer Day for Science and Engineering Majors
- Nov 15th – UC Berkeley Bridges Multicultural Transfer Day (all majors)
<http://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~bridges/>
- New! Nov 21st – UC Santa Cruz VIP Tour for MESA Engineers & Scientists with Skyline MESA students. Will include a meeting with Students Informing Now (SIN) AB540 student group on-campus.
<http://cityonahillpress.com/article.php?id=1056>

Industry Field Trips, Club Trips & Conferences

- SHPE Noche de Ciencias K-12 Family Science Night (San Jose, CA) - Oct 15th
- MESA Job Shadow Day at Google's Headquarters (Mountain View, CA) Friday, Oct 17th
- SHPE BOMBA Blast @ Apple Computers (Cupertino, CA) You must attend if you're going to the SHPE National Conference - Oct 18th sign up by emailing Aldo (arum.kun@gmail.com)
- Chicanos in Healthcare Education (CHE) Dia de los Muertos Conference (UC Davis) – Sat, 11/1
- PG&E MESA Student Leadership Conference – (San Ramon, CA) Fri-Sat, 11/7-8
- New! Graduate School Diversity Forum (UC Berkeley) –The California Forums for Diversity in Graduate Education, planned by a consortium of public and private colleges and universities, have been designed for students who belong to groups that are underrepresented in graduate school. You must register in advance: <http://www.ucop.edu/diversityforum/> Saturday, Nov 8th
- Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) National Conference (Phoenix, AZ) – Thousands of engineers from all over the country will be at this conference. Nov 12 – 16th Registration deadline Oct 6th! -- <http://oneshpe.shpe.org/wps/portal/shpe2008>

Workshops On-Campus:

- CSU/UC Application – 10/14 (Tu) noon-2pm (room 9-106)
- What's Your Major? Explore with Assist Software – 10/16 (Th) 11:30-12:30 (9-206)

University Reps Coming to Cañada:

- 10/9 National Hispanic University 10-2pm
- 10/13 UC Merced 10-1pm
- 10/22 UC Berkeley 10-noon (drop-in) noon-2pm (appt only)
- 10/29 TRANSFER DAY @ Cañada College Cafeteria (lots of universities!) 10am-1pm

Internships:

New! UC Davis Biophotonics Internship (2 weeks in January) – 2-week internship Jan 5th-16th for community college students. \$600 stipend. Graham Garvin participated last year. Apply Now Deadline Oct 24th – <http://cbst.ucdavis.edu/education/undergraduate/internship-community-college>

New! Community College Institute Department of Energy Internship – 10-week paid internships for community college students. Rolling admissions so apply early. Apply Now – <http://www.scied.science.doe.gov/scied/CCI/about.html>

Scholarships:

SHPE San Francisco Scholarship– Deadline Oct 15th – Ten \$500 scholarships to local Bay Area SHPE students (it pays to join SHPE!). Winners announced in Nov at the SHPE Conference in Phoenix, AZ. <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/canmesa/scholarships.html>

Scholarship to attend the Celebration of Diversity in Computing Tapia Conference – Deadline Oct 15th – For anyone interested in computer science or computer engineering. Conference is in Portland, OR April 1st-4th -- Apply online <http://www.tapiaconference.org/2009/>

Marathon Oil Scholarship & Internship – Deadline Nov 1st – For sophomores in engineering (African American, Hispanic, Asian/Pacific Islander or American Indian) US citizen or residents with a 3.0 GPA. – Apply online <http://www.hsf.net/Scholarships.aspx?id=464>

New! Scholarship to attend Harvard University Kennedy School of Government's Ninth Annual Harvard Public Policy and Leadership Conference -- Deadline Nov 21st – For anyone interested in combining science/engineering with a graduate degree in public policy. Everything is free -- travel, hotel, food, etc. Come to the MESA office to work on ideas for writing your personal statement. Conference to be held at Harvard in Feb 2009. www.hks.harvard.edu/degrees/admissions/pplc

Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) –Apply Now, deadline Feb 18th <http://www.hsf.net>

Transfer Applications:

· Transfer Agreement Guarantees – heed the advice of MESA Transfer students and get at least one TAG in place if you're planning to transfer in Fall 2009. UC Davis, UC Merced & UC Santa Cruz are now open. Check in with your counselor, Lyn Belingheri or Soraya Sohrabi to get started on one or more TAGs.

UC – http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/undergrad_adm/apply_to_uc.html

Spring 2009 transfer application deadline: Oct 31st

Fall 2009 transfer application deadline: Nov 30th

CSU -- http://www.csumentor.edu/admissionapp/undergrad_apply.asp

Clubs! MESA-related clubs meet at the MESA Center and there are free snacks during meetings.

- Engineering & SHPE Club – meeting Thursdays at 2:30pm@ MESA

to join, email canadaengineeringclub@gmail.com

- Pre-Med/Health Club – meeting Wednesdays at 3pm@ MESA

to join, email premedhealth@yahoo.com

Where's Cathy? I'm in the office all week so I'll be at both the Pre-Med Club and Engineering/SHPE meetings. See you there!

Have a great week!

Cathy – Cathy Lipe, MESA Program Coordinator, office 9-251A lipec@smccd.edu

MESA Website - <http://www.smccd.edu/accounts/canmesa>