



# ACCESS TO SUCCESS

## ACCESS SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

**June 7 to July 1**  
**Mon-Thurs 10 AM to 3 PM**  
**Fri CLOSED**

**August 16 to 27**  
**Mon-Thurs 10 AM to 4 PM**  
**Fri CLOSED**

## ACCESS OFFICE CLOSED

**May 31 to June 4**  
**July 2 to August 13**

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## **JUNE 2010**

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## **EXTENDED LIBRARY HOURS**

The Mission College Library is pleased to announce extended service hours the final two weeks of the semester (May 17-28).

Library hours will be:

### May 17-22

Monday:  
9:00am to 8:30pm

**Tuesday to Thursday:**  
**9:00am to 10:00pm (EXTENDED HOURS)**

Friday:  
10:30am to 3:30pm

Saturday:  
10:00am to 3:00pm

### May 24-28

Monday:  
9:00am to 8:30pm

**Tuesday to Thursday:**  
**9:00am to 10:00pm (EXTENDED HOURS)**

Friday: 10:30am to 3:30pm

## **APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE FOR BOOKS, LAPTOPS, CALCULATORS, RECORDERS**

We are now accepting your applications for the loan of textbooks, laptops, and/or calculators for use during the Summer 2010 or Fall 2010 semesters. Students who also qualify for both ACCESS and the DISC Program may be able to borrow digital recorders as well. Applications are available in the office. Come in and fill out your applications SOON! Items are loaned on a first-come, first-served basis.

## **HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET FOR SUMMER AND/OR FALL CLASSES????**

Classes for Summer Session 1 run from June 7 to July 15; Summer Session 2 runs from June 21 to August 29. Fall semester begins on August 30. Have you registered for your classes yet? Due to economic restrictions, fewer sections are being offered, so the sooner you register, the better your chances of getting into the classes you want and need. **REGISTER NOW!!!**



# Congratulations to ACCESS Student Graduates and Certificate Recipients!

Pending A&R verification, the following ACCESS students have qualified to receive their AA/AS Degrees and/or Certificates. Congratulations!

## ***2009 – 2010 AA / AS Degree Recipients***

<b>Name</b>	<b>Major</b>
Jimmie Robert Brodie	A.A. Business
Celida M. Buchanan	A.A. Art
Mary Ann Zarate Catalan	A.S. Vocational Nursing
Clarissa Magno Cua	A.S. Graphic Design
April Linda De Oliveira	A.A. Liberal Arts: Arts & Humanities
James Brenden Hart	A.A. Liberal Arts: Social and Behavioral Sciences
Rene Erique Hartwig	A.A. General Studies
Joy Henderson	A.A. General Studies / A.S. Hospitality Management
Monica L. Hernandez	A.S. Business
Jihan Osman Ibrahim	A.S. Biological Sciences
Son Kim	A.A. General Studies
Artie Dewitt Lashbrook	A.A. Liberal Arts: Social & Behavioral Sciences / A.A. Social Science / A.A. Sociology
Jennifer Lyons	A.A. Psychology, General
Amanda Lea Madrid	A.S. Biological Sciences / A.A. General Studies
Zahida Mubeen	A.A. Liberal Arts: Social and Behavioral Sciences
Sara Marcia Navarro	A.A. General Studies / A.S. Vocational Nursing
Myphuong Ngo	A.A. Social Science
Sunny Nguyen	A.A. Business
Mohib Omarzi	A.A. Liberal Arts: Natural Science and Mathematics
Mustafa Omran	A.A. Liberal Arts: Natural Science and Mathematics
Brenda Pinal	A.A. General Studies
Sonia Martinez Robles	A.A. General Studies
Melissa Jayline Rodriguez	A.S. Graphic Design / A.A. Liberal Arts: Arts & Humanities
Farkhanda Sharifi	A.S. Biological Sciences

## ***2009 – 2010 Certificate Recipients***

<b>Name</b>	<b>Major</b>
Clarissa Magno Cua	Graphic Arts
Victor Hugo Castillo Encarnacion	Business - Level I / Business - Level II / E-Business / Management & Supervision - Level I / Management & Supervision - Level II / Small Business Start Up
Susan Rose Giudicessi	Vocational Nursing
Holly Jean Hembree	Vocational Nursing
Monica Lynn Hernandez	Human Resource Management / Microsoft Office / Office Administration
Son Kim	Communication Studies
Jennifer Lyons	Psychology for Human Service Agency Workers
Sara Marcia Navarro	Vocational Nursing
Jadelynn Reiko Pettyplace	Computer Application: Microsoft Office / Microsoft Office
Rowena Mendoza Tirao	Vocational Nursing
Carina Tovar-Vasquez	Vocational Nursing

# CONGRATULATIONS

## TO THE FOLLOWING ACCESS STUDENTS WHO ARE RECEIVING 2010-2011 SCHOLARSHIPS!

Name of Scholarship	ACCESS Student Recipient(s)
Dolores "Dee" Gonzales Endowment	Michelle Allison
Mission-West Valley Land Corp Promise Scholarship	Eskinder Aberra, Michelle Allison, Manuel Carmona, Vanessa Castro-Valdez, Jesse Esparza, Regina Esparza, Susan Giudicessi, Juan Gonzalez, Karma King, Muhammad Naiyar, Michael Orozco, Baldev Singh, Diana Stevenson-Choto, Cecilia Tovar, Jamie Williams
Osher Scholarship	Michelle Allison, Amy Snodgrass
Santa Clara Rotary – West Scholarship	Amy Snodgrass
Silicon Valley Business Partners	Elaine Baculi
Larry Souza Memorial Scholarship	Earl Hargrove
Michale P. Vargas Memorial Scholarship	Clarissa Cua
Against All Odds Scholarship	Regina Esparza
DISC Empowerment	Earl Hargrove
Yvonne & Pierre Frelier Memorial Scholarship	Jamie Williams
Joanne Garlick Scholarship	Earl Hargrove
Eileen Hill Scholarship	Elaine Baculi
Optimist International Scholarship	Artie Lashbrook
David Schor memorial Scholarship	Juan Gonzalez-Pineda
Robert & May Walton Memorial Scholarship	Catherine Garcia
ASB/Transfer Student Scholarship	Clarissa Cua, Melissa Rodriguez
ASB/Continuing Mission College Student Scholarship	Sherona Harris, Dung Nguyen
ASB/Re-Entry Student Scholarship	Catherine Garcia, Reynaldo Ledesma
ASB/Single Parent Scholarship	Jesse Esparza
ASB/Part-Time Students/Parents Scholarship	Manuel Carmona



## DR. PIPER HONORED AT AWARDS CEREMONY

At the ABBY Awards luncheon on May 7, 2010, the Arts Council Silicon Valley recognized arts leaders throughout Santa Clara County for their dedication to sustaining the arts and keeping the arts afloat during challenging times. The *Arts Leadership Award* honored those individuals who have worked tirelessly to produce work that continues to engage and inspire while dealing with sustainability and economic difficulties.

Over 900 people crowded the grand hall of the Fairmont Hotel in San Jose to honor the artists, dancers, creative leaders and visionaries of the Santa Clara County and the corporations and nonprofits that support them. Among the honorees was our own Dr. David Piper, Mission College Adjunct Faculty and ACCESS counselor as leader of the African Drumming group "Jaliya."

Congratulations, Dr. Piper!!

## ASPIRE Program for Students Transferring to SJSU

The ASPIRE Program (SSS) at San Jose State University is now accepting applications for the 2010/2011 academic year. ASPIRE has similar eligibility requirements and similar activities as ACCESS. If you intend on transferring to SJSU in the fall, please check out the web site at [www.sjsu.edu/aspire](http://www.sjsu.edu/aspire) to download their application. As space is very limited, please be sure that these are sent in right away. Though they can accommodate only so many students, their intent is to prioritize those coming from projects such as ACCESS.

ASPIRE is hosting its annual Transfer Day on June 18th. This is a day where they gather their new transfer students and orientate them to SJSU, ASPIRE style! Students will get a chance to interact with current students and familiarize themselves with their program and staff. For information, call 408-924-2540.

--Manuel Salazar, Assistant Director, ASPIRE Program, San Jose State University

## Fight Back Against Identity Theft

Identity theft is a serious crime that costs American consumers billions of dollars and countless hours each year. It occurs when someone uses your personal information without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes.

While you can't entirely control whether you will become a victim, there are steps you can take to minimize your risk. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC), the nation's consumer protection agency, encourages consumers to Deter, Detect and Defend to help cut down on identity theft.

### Deter

Deter identity thieves by safeguarding your information:

- Shred financial documents and paperwork with personal information before you discard them.
- Protect your Social Security number. Give it out only if absolutely necessary or ask to use another identifier.
- Don't give out personal information via the phone, mail or the Internet unless you know who you are dealing with.

### Detect

Detect suspicious activity by routinely monitoring your financial accounts and billing statements. Be alert to signs that require immediate attention, such as: bills that do not arrive as expected; unexpected credit cards or account statements; denials of credit for no apparent reason; and calls or letters about purchases you did not make.

### Defend

If you think your identity has been stolen, here's what to do:

- Contact the fraud departments of any one of the three consumer reporting companies (Equifax, Experian, TransUnion) to place a fraud alert on your credit report. The fraud alert tells creditors to contact you before opening any new accounts or making any changes to your existing accounts. You only need to contact one of the three companies to place an alert.
- Close the accounts that you know or believe have been tampered with or opened fraudulently.
- File a report with your local police or the police in the community where the identity theft took place. Get a copy of the report or, at the very least, the number of the report, to submit to your creditors and others who may require proof of the crime.
- File your complaint with the FTC. The FTC maintains a database of identity theft cases used by law enforcement agencies for investigations. Filing a complaint also helps officials learn more about identity theft and the problems victims are having so that they can better assist you.

To learn more, visit <<[ftc.gov/idtheft](http://ftc.gov/idtheft)>>.



## OF INTEREST TO PRE-MED AND HEALTH STUDENTS

8th National AMSA ARC/UCD Pre-Medical and Pre-Public Health Conference

**“Learn to Lead, Strive to Change, Act to Inspire”**

**Saturday and Sunday October 9-10, 2010**

**8:00am-6:00pm**

**University of California at Davis, Pavilion**

**Davis, CA**

Pre-Registration: \$25.00 until 7/1/10 at 11:59pm

Early Registration: \$30.00 until 8/1/10 at 11:59pm

Late Registration: \$35.00 until 10/1/10 at 11:59pm

At Door: \$45.00 after 10/1/2010

*This conference has sold out the last 7 years, so register early!*

**Register by June 15, 2010 at 11:59 pm and enter a chance to win a Kaplan MCAT Prep course valued at \$2,000.** The winner will be randomly selected from the pool of all registered attendees on June 16, 2010

For Registration and more information, please visit online at <<[www.AMSAARCUCD.org](http://www.AMSAARCUCD.org)>>.

**Keynote Speaker:** TBA soon

**Featuring Deans of Admission from** Stanford, Harvard, UCSF, Yale, Johns Hopkins, UCLA, UC Davis, UC Irvine, USC, UCSD, Charles Drew, University of Chicago, University of Utah, Yale, University of Washington, Cornell, Northwestern, Mayo, Duke, University of Michigan, Tufts, Uniformed Services Health Sciences, Brown, Case Western, University of Pittsburgh, University of Pennsylvania, Cleveland Clinic, Loyola, Dartmouth, NYU, Jefferson Medical College, Touro, and Western Schools of Medicine , and many more!

### **Program Highlights:**

Community College Students

CSU and UC Students

Private Colleges

High School Students

Non-traditional student

Deans of Admission Panel and Q & A session

MCAT Director from AAMC

AMCAS Director

How to Get Involved in your Community,

Inspirational Stories,

Pre-Health Professional Fair (over 200 programs represented)

### **Over 75 Informative Workshops, including:**

How to be successful at the MCAT,

Women in Medicine,

Financing Your Medical Education,

MCAT Game Plan,

Osteopathic Medicine,

Summer Programs,

Non-Traditional Students,

Personal Statement,



# Scholarship Opportunities



## Summer Enrichment Program

Contact: Yasmin Williams, University of California, Davis, School of Veterinary Medicine, Davis CA 95616, 530-752-1383, website: <http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu>, email: [ymwilliams@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ymwilliams@ucdavis.edu).

**Eligibility:** Open to students who have completed one year of college in sciences. Interest in Veterinary Medicine, open to citizens and non-citizens

**Award:** Contact for details.

**Deadline:** May 30

## Swackhamer Disarmament Video Contest

Contact: Nuclear Age Peace Foundation, PMB 121, 1187 Coast Village Road, Ste. 1, Santa Barbara, CA 93108, (805) 965-3443, Fax: (805) 568-0466, website: <http://www.wagingpeace.org>, email: [wagingpeace@napf.org](mailto:wagingpeace@napf.org).

**Eligibility:** Applicant must submit a short (2-3 minute) video on the importance of US leadership for a nuclear weapons-free world. Please visit their website for more information.

**Award:** \$250-\$1,000

**Deadline:** June 1

## Presbyterian Church USA

Contact: Student Opportunities Program, Presbyterian Church, USA, 100 Witherspoon Street Louisville, KY 40202-1396, 800-872-3283 ext. 5776, Fax: 502-569-5018, website: <http://www.pcusa.org>, email: [finaid@pcusa.org](mailto:finaid@pcusa.org).

**Eligibility:** Undergraduate juniors or seniors who are majoring in education, health, religious studies, sacred music, and/or social services. Applicant must be a member of the Presbyterian Church (USA), a U.S. citizen, and apply to college for financial aid.

**Award:** \$3,000

**Deadline:** June 15

## Education for Excellence Scholarship offered by SALEF

Contact: Karina Madrigal, Salvadoran-American Leadership & Educational Fund-SALEF, 1625 W. Olympic Blvd., Suite 706, Los Angeles, CA 90015, 213-480-1052, website: <http://www.salef.org>, email: [kmadrigal@salef.org](mailto:kmadrigal@salef.org).

**Eligibility:** For Salvadoran, Central American, or other Latino high school & college students; must demonstrate financial need, minimum 3.0 GPA, show history of community service and involvement, and write a 500 word essay to SALEF. Scholarship is open to students who have been accepted to 4-year colleges or students working on their bachelor's or master's.

**Award:** \$500-\$2,500

**Deadline:** July 15

## The Patsy Takemoto Mink Education Foundation Education Support Award

Website: <http://www.patsyminkfoundation.org/pdf/edsupportapp2010.pdf>.

The Patsy Takemoto Mink Education Foundation will offer five Education Support Awards of up to \$2000 each to assist low-income women with children who are pursuing education or training. Applications will be accepted from May 1, 2010 through July 15, 2010. Education Support Awards may be used for direct school expenses or for living expenses while you are enrolled in an educational program. Awardees will be notified by phone or email in October.

**Eligibility:** a woman, at least 17 years of age; a mother, with minor children; enrolled in a skills training, ESL, or GED program; or pursuing a technical/vocational degree, an associate's degree, a first bachelor's degree, or a professional/master's/doctoral degree; enrolled in an accredited program during the 2010-2011 academic year; low-income (annual family income less than \$17,500 for a family of 2; \$22,000 for a family of 3; \$26,500 for a family of 4)

**Award:** Up to \$2000

**Deadline:** July 15, 2010

## Louis Stokes Health Scholars Program

Contact: Janet Carter, Louis Stokes Health Scholars Program, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc., 1720 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington D.C., 202-263-2800, website: <http://www.cbcbfinc.org/louis-stokes-health-scholars-program.html>, email: [carter@cbcbfinc.org](mailto:carter@cbcbfinc.org).

**Eligibility:** U.S. citizens or legal residents, minimum 3.0 GPA, currently enrolled or planning to start a full-time undergraduate program at either a 2-year or 4-year college, university, vocational, or technical school. Anticipated course of study must be in the health field. Must demonstrate financial need. The ideal candidate is at a 2-year institution planning on completing a four-year degree, also plans on working in an underserved community.

**Award:** up to \$8,000

**Deadline:** July 16

**ACCESS to Success**

<b>2010</b>						
<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<b>May</b>	<b>24</b> Cash for Books Buy-Back Week, Mission Bookstore	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Due Date to Return ACCESS books, laptops, & calculators	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>23</b>	Final Exams : May 22 - 28					
<b>30</b> Mission College Graduation Ceremony, 2pm, Santa Clara Convention Center	<b>31</b> Memorial Day Holiday: Campus is Closed	<b>June</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
		<b>1</b>	ACCESS Office Closed			
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Summer Session 1 begins (June 7 to July 15)	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> ASPIRE Transfer Day at SJSU. Info 408-924-2540	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Summer Session 2 begins (June 21 to July 29)	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			

**Further information on calendar listings is found elsewhere in this newsletter.**

There will no mid-summer newsletters.  
Expect the next ACCESS Newsletter in mid-August.

# HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!