MESA Study Center Hours for Fall 2014, John Muir 124

Monday – Thursday
8:00 AM – 7:00 PM (Tutoring available)

Friday
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM (Tutoring available)

The MESA Study Center is open to all COS Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) majors. The center offers a comfortable study environment where students can work independently or in groups. MESA tutors are available to help students in traditionally difficult upper division math and science coursework.

Working together in the Center

Academic Excellence Workshops
An Academic Excellence Workshop (AEW) is a small community of students working collaboratively to master course material with the guidance of a facilitator. The workshop facilitators are MESA students that have already taken the course and have proven a high level of knowledge and understanding in the subject area. During workshops, facilitators hand out worksheets designed to help students better understand and master subjects. These workshops help students prepare for upcoming tests, quizzes and lectures. Workshop schedules are available in the MESA Center.

Volunteer Projects
We have four core Science, Technology, Engineer and Mathematics (STEM) clubs/student chapters. These include our BioFORGE club, SETA club, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) and Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) student chapters. To provide students with volunteer opportunities, these clubs and student chapters work collaboratively to run a large event that unifies the clubs and students. Spring 2014 semester’s volunteer projects included: Latino Youth Leadership Academy, Noche de Ciencias, K-12 Science Fair poster judging, Science Olympiad Statewide Competition on the COS campus, and establishing a Jr. SHPE chapter at Orosi High School. Students put in many hours of volunteer time. Student volunteers were treated to a semester’s end trip to the San Francisco Exploratorium. Students wrapped up the semester with a potluck, a SETA club tradition.

Latino Youth Leadership Academy

Orosi High Jr. Chapter

Professional Development
Students are encouraged to take part in the professional development opportunities provided by the MESA Program and student clubs. These organizations inspire students, promote personal/professional growth and provide networking opportunities. Being involved is a great way to get to know classmates and future colleagues. Students attended the MESA PG&E Leadership Retreat in San Diego and the SUMMA Pre-medical Student Conference in San Francisco.

PG&E Leadership Retreat-San Diego

SACNAS National Conference

Dr. Robert Urtecho received the SACNAS Community College Mentorship Award.

Fall 2014 Conferences/Events
- AMSA ARC/ UC Davis Pre-Med and Pre-Health Conference.
- SACNAS National Conference-LA
- Expanding Your Horizons Conference
- UC Santa Barbra University Tour/ Camping trip.

COS MESA Students by Major

Opportunities
- BioFORGE and SETA clubs
- SURGE Program – Recruiting interns
- SHPE and SACNAS student chapters

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