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## **El Camino College MESA Student Leaders Selected For Conference**

A select group of four El Camino College students honed their leadership skills at a special invitation-only conference for math-based majors in San Diego early last month.

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) Student Leadership Conference was themed “Today’s STEM Students – Tomorrow’s STEM Leaders.” It offered extensive professional and leadership development through direct interaction with industry mentors and speakers. The MESA students, all science, engineering, or math majors, represented more than 27 universities and community colleges from across the state.

The event was fully sponsored by industry donations. Edison International was the lead sponsor with additional funding from San Diego Gas and Electric, Southern California Gas Company, Pacific Gas and Electric, and AT&T.

ECC students were sponsored by the Southern California Gas Company and Edison International. In addition, SoCalGas and Edison employees volunteered their time to work with the students during the conference.

Students participated in mock interviews, connected with industry representatives, heard guest speakers and attended workshops. Attending El Camino College students included: Christopher Alfaro, aerospace engineering; Karen Lopez, biomedical engineering; Mario Mosqueda, aerospace engineering; and Ashley Quispe, mechanical engineering.

The MESA program at El Camino College promotes STEM success through mathematics, engineering and science academic enrichment. With tutoring and mentoring, extra study sessions, transfer counseling and study centers, MESA provides an environment that allows students to succeed in math and science and navigate the transfer system more easily.

For more information about MESA at El Camino College, visit [www.elcamino.edu/academics/mathsciences/mesa/](http://www.elcamino.edu/academics/mathsciences/mesa/)

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