

# 2018-2019 ALL-MCC Academic Team

*Sponsored by Mesa Community College (MCC)*

\$\$\$ Campus scholarships available to MCC students! \$\$\$

## To be eligible for nomination to the All-USA Academic Team a student must:

1. Must be enrolled in 6 credits at Mesa Community College during the Fall 18 and Spring 19 semesters to be nominated to the All-USA representing MCC Southern and Dobson or Red Mountain Campuses.
2. Must plan to graduate from MCC at the May 2019 Graduation Ceremony. (Graduation Certification required)
3. Must be currently enrolled in associate degree level coursework and be enrolled through May 2019 in a minimum of 6 semester hours (9 quarter hours) at the Campus they are applying from.
4. By December 31, 2018, you will need to have at least 30 semester (45 quarter) college-level credit hours completed from a two-year/community college within the past 5 years (Fall 2013-present; remove remedial/developmental coursework in total credit count).
5. Must have at least 36 semester (48 quarter) college-level credit hours (either completed or transferred) of associate degree level coursework by December 31, 2018 (after removing remedial/developmental coursework).
6. Must have posted a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.50 out of a possible 4.0 in all college-level credit coursework completed in the past five years (Fall 2013-present) (Include coursework at all institutions attended in the past five years when calculating GPA. GPA is calculated at point of application. You must maintain a 3.50 or higher GPA at the end of Fall 2018 semester to remain eligible for national scholarships.
7. Must have a record free from any criminal conduct. (If you have ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony, you may check YES to this question if you have completed all terms and conditions of sentencing, including probation.)
8. Must hold temporary or permanent residency in the country of the community college the student is attending or possess a visa considered appropriate by the college. The [Citizenship Eligibility](#) document outlines acceptable documentation used to verify proof of citizenship. \*
9. Must be on track to obtain an Associate or Bachelor's degree
10. Must be the first time you are nominated for the All-USA/Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team.
11. Must be enrolled part-time or full-time in a Bachelor's Degree program at a baccalaureate degree granting institution in Fall 2019
12. Must have at least 45 semester (60 quarter) college-level credit hours (either completed or transferred) of associate degree coursework by December 31, 2018 (after removing remedial/development course work)
13. Must have completed at least 50 semester (75 quarter) college-level credit hours by the time you transfer to a bachelor degree granting institution Fall 2018 (after removing remedial/development course work)

\* You will be requested to provide proof of citizenship for the national competition. The All-USA Community College Academic Team, the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team, the Coca-Cola New Century Scholars program, and the GEICO Pathway to Completion Bachelor's Degree Scholarship allow a variety of citizenships.

## To be eligible for Campus-based scholarships a student must:

- Be at least a part-time student (enrolled in 6 credit hours minimum).
- Be an Arizona State Resident. \*\*
- Be a U.S. Citizen. \*\*
- Be a high school graduate or have been certified as having passed the GED.
- Be working toward a degree, certification program, and/or transfer program.
- Have completed at least 12 credit hours at MCC in 100 level courses or above.
- *Students who have received other Talent Scholarship funds may not be eligible for these funds.*

\*\* Proposition 300 passed by Arizona voted in November 2006, stipulates that college students who are not legal US Citizens or without lawful immigration must pay out-of state tuition, and that persons who are not United States citizens and who are without lawful immigration status are not eligible for financial assistance using state money.

MCC Scholarships will be awarded for Fall semester and all Students will have the chance to apply for the All-USA Academic Team in the Fall, scores from this round will help support nomination for the top applicants.

### **Applications due Wednesday August 1, 2018 by 5:00pm**

Return applications to the MCC Enrollment Services  
Southern & Dobson Campus or Red Mountain Campus

Questions? Contact: Duane Oakes 480-461-7214 or Duane.Oakes@mesacc.edu

***Note: Any information from this application may become public through local and national media***

# All-MCC Academic Team Information Sheet

## Overview:

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The All-MCC Academic Team is sponsored by Mesa Community College to recognize scholarly achievements of students enrolled at Mesa Community College. For the purpose of this award, “scholar” is defined as one who excels in the classroom; who has the intellectual curiosity to pursue academic, career, and cultural enrichment outside the traditional classroom that shows evidence of substantial development of talents in academic and technical education; and who has demonstrated an ability to share this development with others.

## Nomination procedures:

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All forms must be typed and returned together in one packet. Nominations will NOT be accepted by fax or e-mail; however, photocopies of the original forms are acceptable.

## Advice to nominators and nominees:

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The All-MCC Academic Team seeks to honor outstanding students from a variety of backgrounds and disciplines to hold up as representatives of all outstanding two-year college students. All elements of the scholarship application should work together to demonstrate nominees’ academic excellence; intellectual rigor, growth, potential; and how the student uses their two-year college education to benefit themselves, the college, and their communities.

The discussion questions are meant to give judges a sense of the nominees’ background and time commitments outside of school so they can better place the nominees’ achievements in context. The questions should not be interpreted to mean that students must overcome obstacles or be somehow disadvantaged in order to be named to the All-MCC Academic Team.

This nomination form is compiled to match the judging criteria for the ALL-USA scholarship. It is important to read the form carefully and follow directions precisely. Be as specific and as concise as possible. Legibility and readability are important. **All responses must be typed in typeface no smaller than 10-point and adhere to length limits specified.** CDs, videotapes, photographs, newsletters, and newspaper clippings will be removed from the nomination packet before judging and will not be returned. Do not include any information that you would not want released publicly. Contents are subject to rigorous fact-checking. PLEASE NOTE THE FINAL APPLICATION WILL CHANGE TO REFLECT WHAT PHI THETA KAPPA PROVIDES in the Fall of 2018.

## Required Materials:

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- Completed application form, including responses to background, discussion, and essay questions.
- A copy of your unofficial academic transcript(s) including your complete college record within the last five years.
- Two letters of recommendation. Each letter must address the topic indicated on the form and must be completed by the individual indicated on the form. No more than two letters will be considered.

**To obtain an electronic version of the application, go to the Financial Aid website [www.mesacc.edu/scholarships](http://www.mesacc.edu/scholarships) or contact Vickie Gallegos at 480-461-7243 in the Center for Community & Civic Engagement**

# All-MCC Academic Team Application

## 1. Personal information:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name) (First Name) (M.I.)

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip)

Home phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Campus:  Southern & Dobson Number of credits on this campus \_\_\_\_\_  
 Red Mountain, extended campuses & online classes Number of credits on this campus \_\_\_\_\_

Phi Theta Kappa member:  Yes  No Phi Theta Kappa Member number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: / / Student ID number: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Major at MCC \_\_\_\_\_ Highest degree objective: 

Associates or Certificate
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Career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Credits earned: \_\_\_\_\_ Credits currently carried: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (Include all college-level coursework in the past 5 years, Fall 2013-present, from all institutions attended. You must maintain a 3.50 or higher GPA at the end of Fall 2018 semester to remain eligible for national scholarships.)

Nominee expects to earn a degree of: \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month) (Year)

## Discussion Questions

### **Short Answer Discussion:** (250 words or less)

Who you are is intricately linked to past experiences and who you've known. Thinking about your life and your experiences, explain what motivates you to succeed and who you are now.

### **Short Answer Discussion – Community College Attendance:** (150 words or less)

What are the benefits of attending a community college?

Why are you a good candidate for this award and what would it mean to you to receive a scholarship from this application process? (150 words or less)

### **Short Answer discussion - Short-term/Long-term Goals:** (150 words or less)

What is your career goal?

### **Short Answer Discussion - What has your current involvement in volunteerism taught you?** (150 words or less)

**Short Answer Discussion – Awards:**

Indicate which of the following awards you have received:

- PTK Competitive Edge Level 5
- PTK Competitive Edge Level 4
- PTK Competitive Edge Level 3
- PTK Competitive Edge Level 2
- PTK Competitive Edge Level 1
- PTK Leadership Development / Completion of HON201
- College Dean’s List
- College President’s List
- Community Recognition (Volunteerism/Service)
- Peer Mentor Tutoring Awards
- College Recognition (Leadership)
- College Recognition (Academics)
- Community Recognition (Leadership)
- National Recognition (Leadership)
- National Recognition (Academics)

List up to three awards, scholarships or special recognitions you have received while enrolled at your community college. List your most significant award first, including the name of the award and the date received. If you do not have any awards or recognitions, enter N/A.

Org Award 1  
Award Date  
Award Summary (250 words or less)

Org Award 2  
Award Date  
Award Summary (250 words or less)

Org Award 3  
Award Date  
Award Summary (250 words or less)

**Essay Question – Most Significant College Endeavor** (Required, 500 words or less.

Significant Endeavor Essay Describe your most significant endeavor since attending community college in which you applied your academic or intellectual skills learned through your community college education to benefit your school, community or society. This endeavor may be in community/service learning, in research, in the arts, journalism, advocacy, public affairs, etc. Judges consider originality, initiative, degree of difficulty, results and benefit to society. Consider using measureable terms, steps taken and quantifying the outcome using impact data and numbers. Limit your essay to ONE specific endeavor. Do not include web links or photos in the text box

**Discussion Question – Academic Achievement and Excellence** Required, 500 words or less.

Describe your commitment to academic excellence

**Discussion Question – Academic Leadership** Required, 500 words or less.

Describe your leadership ability as it relates to your involvement in academic/classroom activities

**Special Circumstances**

If there are any special circumstances or information about yourself not elicited elsewhere in the application that you would like Phi Theta Kappa to be aware of, provide a brief description here. (Optional, 150 words or less)

**ACTIVITIES**

Do you have any Phi Theta Kappa activities to include?

Activity 1

Activity Dates

Activity Hours

Activity Leadership

Activity Leadership Description (Optional, 150 words or less)

Activity Description (Optional, 150 words or less)

Activity 2

Activity Dates

Activity Hours

Activity Leadership

Activity Leadership Description (Optional, 150 words or less)

Activity Description (Optional, 150 words or less)

Activity 3

Activity Dates

Activity Hours

Activity Leadership

Activity Leadership Description (Optional, 150 words or less)

Activity Description (Optional, 150 words or less)

How many total hours per week do you spend engaged in Phi Theta Kappa Activities?

**Phi Theta Kappa Impact**

You may write about an activity from a previous section. Do not include weblinks or photos. Choose from one of the following writing prompts: (Required, 250 words or less)

1. As a member of Phi Theta Kappa, describe the activity in which you led or participated that had the greatest impact on your life.
2. As a member of Phi Theta Kappa, describe an event in which you took a leadership role and what you learned about yourself.

**Phi Theta Kappa Impact (Continued)**

Do you hold a position with your Phi Theta Kappa Chapter’s leadership team?

List the position title or briefly describe

Are you a Phi Theta Kappa Regional Officer?

List the position title or briefly describe

Advisor First Name / Last Name

Phone #

Email Address

**VOLUNTEERISM**

**Do you have campus activities to include?**

Campus activity 1

Dates

Hours per week

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Campus Activity Description

Campus activity 2

Dates

Hours per week

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Campus Activity Description (250 words or less)

Campus activity 3

Dates

Hours per week

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Campus Activity Description (250 words or less)

**Do you have community activities to include?**

Community Activity 1

Dates

Hrs/wk

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Activity Description (250 words or less)

### Community Activity 2

Dates

Hrs/wk

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Activity Description (250 words or less)

### Community Activity 3

Dates

Hrs/wk

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Activity Description (250 words or less)

### **Do you have outside obligations to include?**

#### Outside Obligation 1

Dates

hrs/wk

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Obligation Description (250 words or less)

#### Outside Obligation 2

Dates

hrs/wk

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Obligation Description (250 words or less)

#### Outside Obligation 3

Dates

hrs/wk

Leadership Position

Leadership Description (250 words or less)

PTK Related

Obligation Description (250 words or less)

### **TRANSCRIPT UPLOAD**

#### **OPTIONAL ADDENDUM:**

If you would like to explain special circumstances that have affected the transcript (e.g. withdrawals or a drop in grades), an addendum will be accepted in the section below. Judges will deduct points for a large number of withdrawals or a drop in grades without an adequate explanation.





## Graduation Certification

I have reviewed \_\_\_\_\_ academic graduation plan and he/she is on schedule to graduate from Mesa Community College by the spring 2019. The student listed above is scheduled for classes for both Fall and Spring semesters at their respective campus and is eligible to participate in the Spring Commencement Ceremony. The student is also eligible to transfer to a University in the Fall 2019 semester.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed Name of Official MCC Advisement Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Official MCC Advisement Representative)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

To get this signed, please meet with one of the Academic Advisors listed below who serves as a representative for the All-MCC Academic team process:

### Southern and Dobson Campus

Please make an appointment with one of the following advisors:

Tara Woods	<a href="mailto:tara.woods@mesacc.edu">tara.woods@mesacc.edu</a>	480-461-7222
Cassandra Scott	<a href="mailto:cassandra.scott@mesacc.edu">cassandra.scott@mesacc.edu</a>	480-461-7664
Jenny Gerlock	<a href="mailto:jenny.gerlock@mesacc.edu">jenny.gerlock@mesacc.edu</a>	480-461-7237
Hanna Nguyen	<a href="mailto:hanna.nguyen@mesacc.edu">hanna.nguyen@mesacc.edu</a>	480-461-7207

### Red Mountain Campus

Spencer Peterson	<a href="mailto:Spencer.peterson@mesacc.edu">Spencer.peterson@mesacc.edu</a>	480-654-7750
Roberto (Corky) Palacios	<a href="mailto:roberto.palacios@mesacc.edu">roberto.palacios@mesacc.edu</a>	480-654-7623

## 9. WAIVER AND SIGNATURE

I agree to allow my name to be placed in nomination for the All-MCC Academic Team. I also agree to have my GPA and academic standing reviewed for eligibility for this award. Further, I allow Mesa Community College to use my name and picture for publicity as one of the recipients of this award. **If I am nominated to the All-USA Academic Team, I will be available to complete the required process for this recognition and will remain enrolled in 6 credit hours in the Spring Semester at the campus I am nominated from.** The information I have submitted is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the contents of this nomination are subject to verification and, if found untrue, will result in my disqualification. I understand that any part of this application may be released for public consumption. Routine uses of the data include possible public relations including press releases to news media and to campus community. I also understand that if my GPA drops because of completed classes being posted to my transcript, I may be removed as an official nominee for the ALL-USA Academic Team scholarship.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of nominee)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)