

Student Recognition & Achievement Ceremony

2024-2025



Student Achievement and Awards | Event Program

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Breanna Castro, *Director, Financial Aid Services & Emcee*

Welcome & Congratulatory Remarks

Kim Lopez, *President*

San Mateo County Community Colleges Foundation

Karen Chadwick, *Donor Relations Manager*

Student Recognition & Guest Speakers Honoring Transfer Students, Tutors, Peer Mentors & Scholarship Recipients:

Transfer Program Recognition

Gonzalo Arrizon, *Program Supervisor, COLTS-U Transfer Center*

Honors Transfer Program Recognition

Rebekah Sidman-Taveau, *Ph.D., Honors Transfer Program Coordinator*

Alumni Speaker

Nigel Hawkins – *Cañada Alumni*

Tutor & Peer Mentor Recognition

Ron Andrade, *Ed.D., Director of Student Support – Learning Center*

Scholarship Recognition

Breanna Castro, *Director, Financial Aid Services*

CAÑADA COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS FOR THE 2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

AAUW, Mid-Peninsula Chapter Scholarship

The Mid-Peninsula AAUW Board offers an annual scholarship through the San Mateo Community College Foundation. The scholarship will be for \$2,000 annually for two years. Applicants must show evidence of the following for consideration: must be attending Cañada College, must be a graduate of a Sequoia Union High School, demonstrate academic merit and financial need, and must maintain a “B” average at the four-year academic institution at which the scholarship recipient attends. This scholarship opportunity is open to all, but preference is that the scholarship recipient be a woman.

Makariotera Pina

Anne Marquart Scholarship

This is an endowed fund to provide annual scholarships for worthy, working students with financial need for college; one at each of the three colleges.

Ana Barajas

Adriana Valencia

Assistance League of San Mateo County

This scholarship is to help single parents and re-entry students to attend or continue to attend college in an effort to become more financially self-sufficient through education. Students must have economic needs. Special consideration given to women and single mothers.

July Cotos

Miriam Garcia

Barbara McCarthy Scholarship

This scholarship is for continuing students pursuing a career in the fields of Physical Education or Healthcare. Recipients must have completed 12 units at Cañada College, with a minimum 2.75 GPA, and demonstrate a commitment to community service.

Rubi Mendez Gonzalez

Cinthia Vazquez Hernandez

Miguel Rivera

Big Smile Scholarship

This scholarship was established in the memory of the donor's uncle whose big smile was the defining characteristic of his personality. In his work as an appliance salesman at Sears, and in his personal life, his big smile made people feel welcome and appreciated. This scholarship is for a deserving student whose own “big smile” and positive outlook are commendable.

Chloe Goh

Beverly Travlos Scholarship

The Beverly Travlos Scholarship funds are directed toward students pursuing education and degrees in fashion design and merchandising. They are meant to help those in need reach their full potential by removing obstacles to education. This scholarship is for Cañada College students who are enrolled full time or part time, is open to new, returning, continuing and transferring students. First-generation college students preferred, must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher, be majoring in fashion design and merchandising and intend to transfer to a 4-year college/University after completing their educational program at Cañada College.

Daron Session

Shontelle Watkins

Bruno and Kathleen “Be” Carnovale Scholarship

This scholarship is to help students improve their ability to more fully participate in the economy and society. A hope is that some of the beneficiaries will someday be able to enjoy the pleasures of paying the favor forward. Criteria for this award is based on full time or part time enrollment, GPA must be at least 2.5 or higher, student must have unmet financial need, and be currently employed. This scholarship is offered to graduating high school seniors, new, returning, continuing and transferring students and shall be rotated annually between the three colleges.

Yesenia Valencia

Cañada Fashion Department Scholarship

This scholarship is for continuing students who are in the Fashion Design Program at Cañada College, and who plan to complete an associates degree or certificate in Fashion Design.

To be Announced

Cañada Learning Center Scholarship

This scholarship fund is for both continuing and transferring students of merit that have demonstrated consistent use of the Cañada Learning Center and contribute to the overall collaborative and supportive environment of the Center. Continuing students must have a minimum 2.5 GPA, and transferring students must have a minimum 2.85 GPA. Eligibility is determined by the Scholarship Committee.

Griselda Huggins

Cañada STEM Scholarship

This scholarship is intended to assist a full-time continuing or transferring student majoring in a STEM field with their college expenses. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and intend to transfer to a 4-year university after completing their program at Cañada. Extra consideration given to first-generation college students and undocumented AB 540 /Dreamers.

Carlos Angulo

Sofia Carrilho

Castillo Scholarship

This scholarship recognizes full-time students of academic merit that have demonstrated financial need. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Oscar Benavente

Frederico Ferreira Costa

Andrew Garner

Samuel Zhang

Changemakers Scholarship Fund

This scholarship is dedicated to promoting student success and educational equity at Cañada College by supporting undocumented students and/or those actively engaged with the Undocumented Community Center (UCC).

David Cisneros Tang

Lilian Martinez

Marcia Sotil

Constance Marshaye Hartley Scholarship

The scholarship is awarded to a student who participates in the CalWorks/CARE program. This scholarship is for a student who is a continuing, returning reentry student enrolled part-time or full-time. The scholarship is awarded to one student of the district's three colleges: Cañada, College of San Mateo and Skyline.

Alina Lysak

CSEA Chapter 33 Scholarship

This scholarship is sponsored by the California School Employees Association Chapter 33 and is for a full time, continuing student who has demonstrated leadership skills on campus through student government, clubs, student employment, tutoring or mentorship.

Yixin Liu

Dale & Helen Mersereau Scholarship

This is a discretionary scholarship fund for Cañada students selected by the scholarship committee on the basis of financial need and academic merit. The students shall be incoming, continuing, or returning.

Jose Hernandez Armenta
Seyedehferyal Asadi
Angie Barrios Ramos
Erin Berger
Maria Brandoni
Isabella Burns
Katelyn Cao
Jeovanny Carlos
Rebeca Castro
Mirella Cena
Priyanshi Chaudhary
Natalia Ceglarek
Brian Cooke
Darlyn Franco De Paz
Francesca Re Fraschini
Danielle Fuentes Vasquez
Diane Sanchez Galicia
Erika Zamora Garcia
Ramila Mahmoodidehshotoran
Stephanye Mata
Amanda Molina Lopez
Gugulethu Ndlovu
Duy Minh Tri Nguyen
Melanie Reano Ondarroa
Rosa Zuniga Ortega
Jane Jeffers
Yancy Lopez Franco
Wilson Lopez Perez
Ali Rismanbaf
Philip Roidmaier
Maria Reyes Ortiz
Meng Qu
Ricardo Quintana Rodriguez
Angelica Sham
Aleksandra Shetrakova
Ayia Tadj
Shontelle Watkins

Jerwayne Williams
Yue Yu
Sara Zuluaga

Darryl Usher Memorial Scholarship

In memory of Darryl Usher, son of Alma Usher, an emeritus classified staff member at Cañada, this scholarship is awarded annually to a student athlete of merit with demonstrated financial need.

Daniel Rubio Garcia

Dr. Genevieve H. Cory Interior Design Scholarship

This Cañada scholarship is for a continuing full-time or part-time student in Interior Design who is chosen by the Interior Design Department. The criteria are industriousness, diligence, devotion to the program and to the interior design field, at least a modicum of talent, and other criteria determined by the Interior Design faculty.

Shilla Ahmadi
Natalia Ceglarek
Maria Rosaria Di Criscienzo
Sara Zuluaga

Dr. Steve Shire Endowment Scholarship

The Dr. Steven J. Shire Memorial Scholarship is awarded each year to the Cañada College Digital Art and Animation student who would like to expand her/his knowledge and skill in photography. The award is generously donated by the Shire family in memory of Steve, a scientist and lover of digital art who passed away in June 2017. Steve particularly enjoyed multimedia classes in Cañada College's Digital Art and Animation department and the Shire family has chosen to honor his passion.

Olha Kuzminova

ECE Student Scholarship

This scholarship is for students who have declared Early Childhood Education as their major and are preparing for an AS degree or transfer. Minimum 3.25 GPA, demonstrated financial need, and has shown service to the community.

Rebeca Castro

Ayia Tadj

Elizabeth Egan Scholarship in Art

Scholarship is for one student per year. This scholarship is for a continuing or returning student majoring in Studio Art, Students must have completed one year at Cañada, be full time, have a minimum 3.5 GPA and demonstrated financial need.

Isabella Burns

Isaac Cardenas

Jeovanny Carlos

Priyanshi Chaudhary

Carmen Cuevas Contreras

Joshua Estrada

Taylor Holland

Arielle Kremesec

Michelle Kui

Jane Jeffers

Miranda Manjarrez Montero

Angelica Sham

F.L. Griffin Scholarship

This scholarship is for a Cañada student who is an immigrant that has a 3.0 GPA or higher and financial need, living in San Mateo County or Santa Clara County; preference should be given to continuing students at Cañada.

Sarah Blumenthal

Yanyu Cai

Milena Chica Castro

Mirella De Lima Gomes

Arian Esbraghi

Rodrigo Huaman Palomino

Carlos Perez-Mendez

Vanderlei Moreira

Ivan Salas

Manuela Santamaria

Diana Santiago Gallardo

Aswin Siwakoti

Miluska Vidal

Julieta Zuniga Gonzalez

Gail Kamei Scholarship

This scholarship is given to honor the memory of classified staff member, Gail Kamei, whose warmth and kindness were a hallmark of her career at Cañada College. This scholarship will be awarded each year to a current or former student assistant in recognition of their outstanding service and contributions to the college.

Altaira Hernandez

Hamilton Award for Excellence in STEM

This award is for Cañada students of merit majoring in math or science fields. Students must have at least a 3.2 GPA with plans to pursue a bachelor's or graduate degree. Selection of the award is made by the Science and Technology Division faculty and is based on academic achievement and service to the Division. Two awards will be given this year to recognize an outstanding continuing student and an outstanding transfer student. The Hamilton Award for Excellence in STEM is a \$1,000 scholarship given to each of the Science & Technology Division outstanding students.

To be Announced

Hennessy Family Scholarship

This scholarship recognizes Cañada students of merit who will be the first in their family to receive a college degree. Students must be full-time, have a minimum 3.0 GPA, and are working towards earning their associates degree and/or transferring to earn a bachelor's degree.

To be Announced

Hobbach Family Endowed Scholarship

The Hobbach Family Scholarship is open to full-time Cañada College students looking to further their education or professional careers, but lacking financial resources or family aid to achieve them. As part of the application process, candidates who wish to be considered should include a personal statement addressing their need, along with a description of future goals they plan to accomplish. Higher consideration will be given to students who are involved in campus life and programs celebrating Latino culture, including PUENTE, MESA, TRIO, Latino culture activities and EOPS.

Kenia Buenrostro

Cinthia Vazquez Hernandez

Iliff Scholarship

This is an award for international students based first on need, then on academic excellence. The award is administered by the International Student advisors, with one award at each college.

Mia Berta Valle

Neil-Matthew Sutherland

James R. and Hope A. Tormey Memorial Endowment Fund

Jim Tormey was a Trustee of the District from 1971-1995; he established this scholarship in memory of his parents in 1988. The scholarship is for a full-time second-year student who has completed at least 30 units, or a graduate of one of the district's colleges who will matriculate as an education major in the education department of the California State University system or the University of California.

Chloe Goh

Jean Evelyn Letsinger Scholarship

This scholarship is from the estate of Jean Letsinger and is to be used to recognize students pursuing a career in teaching. Students must demonstrate financial need.

Blanca Luna

Joan B. Del Gaudio Trailblazer Scholarship

To provide scholarship awards for first-generation and re-entry students who are enrolled at Cañada College and overcoming adversity to be a trailblazer for themselves and/or their families in their pursuit of education. Applicants must show evidence of the following for consideration: enrollment at Cañada College, although some coursework may be taken at Skyline and College of San Mateo, have financial need to pursue educational goals, and have the intention of part-time or full-time enrollment (documentation of 6-12 credits required).

Rebeca Castro

Karl S. Pister Leadership Opportunity Award, University of California, Santa Cruz

This \$20,000 scholarship is for a transferring student leader who has attained outstanding academic achievement and is nominated by Cañada College. Acceptance of the nomination is determined by the University of California, Santa Cruz scholarship committee.

Oscar Arreola Buendia

Laura Hill Griffin Scholarship

This Cañada scholarship is for a re-entry student who is a parent with a 3.0 GPA and financial need living in San Mateo County or Santa Clara County; preference should be given to continuing students at Cañada.

Georgina Castaneda

Darlyn Franco De Paz

Griselda Huggins

Maria Hernandez

Elizabeth Jones

Alina Lysak

Maria Reyes Ortiz

Socorro Pimentel

Olivia Flores

Teresa Solorzano Montalvo

Marcia Sotil

Pisileni Tu Uhoko

Erika Zamora Garcia

League of CA Cities - Latino Caucus Scholarship

This scholarship is for continuing or transferring Cañada students who have demonstrated commitment to service in their community and/or have expressed an interest in pursuing a career in public service. Student must have at least a 2.75 GPA and have long-term academic interests in leadership development, public administration, teaching, or a closely related field.

Maria Aguilar

Lewis Family STEM Scholarship

This scholarship is for incoming, continuing or transferring students majoring in a STEM field. Students must have demonstrated financial need and a minimum 2.5 GPA.

Edgar Calderon Pacheco

Diego Ruiz Arvizo

Mary Topalis Trust for CSM and Cañada Nursing Scholarship

This scholarship is for students pursuing a nursing degree and selection of the recipient is based on merit and demonstrated financial need. The recipients should show promise of success in their Nursing Program.

Hanna Bender

Sofia Carrilho

Cinthia Vazquez Hernandez

Griselda Huggins

Arlen Salas Medina

Mitzi Ramirez Rangel

Shekinah Solero

Michael Vosburg-Casey Scholarship

This fund will provide assistance (to be used for tuition, books, or other education-related expenses) to 2 Sequoia Union High School District graduates who enroll in a San Mateo County Community

College. Awardees will demonstrate a commitment to the values and/or beliefs of the late Michael Vosburg-Casey.

Michelle Manjarrezmontero

Jonathan Pedraza Barrera

Lotus Tang

Monterra Credit Union Scholarship

This scholarship is for students with a minimum 3.0 GPA who have financial need and have performed and are committed to service in their community.

Hanna Bender

Ma Rosario Moreno Morales

Nature-Ecology Preservation Scholarship

The Nature/Ecology Preservation scholarship is awarded to a continuing or transferring Cañada student who has initiated or been involved in projects that demonstrate an environmental concern. Preference given for students pursuing majors and careers in environmental science, resource management and sustainability.

Gustavo Ferreira Costa

Nellie Leong Scholarship

This scholarship is in honor of Nellie Leong, a dedicated and popular 10-year employee of the SMCCCD. This scholarship is for full time students and shall be awarded based on a combination of financial need and academic performance.

Kenia Buenrostro

Alexandra Castillo Hernandez

Maximilliano Espinoza

Joshua Estrada

Chen Liang

Ryan Khaled Mustfa

Julyssa Sandoval

Sahar Saneifard

Shekinah Solero

Haohuan Qin

Nikita Ogireddy Scholarship Fund

This scholarship provides annual awards for students who are enrolled in one of the following programs: Nursing, Medical Assisting, or Early Childhood Education/Child and Adolescent Development at Cañada College, College of San Mateo (CSM), and/or Skyline College. Applicants must show evidence of the following for consideration: be enrolled in Nursing, Medical Assisting, or Early Childhood Education/Child and Adolescent Development, attend Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and/or Skyline College, and be a new, continuing, and/or transferring student.

To be Announced

Oscar Siguenza Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship provides annual awards for full-time students at College of San Mateo, Skyline College, and Cañada College who are majoring in biology, biotechnology, chemistry, health science, life science, mathematics, physics, or pre-pharmacy and indicate a plan to transfer to a four-year institution. Applicants must show evidence of the following for consideration: demonstrate significant financial need, be a first-generation college student, have at least a 3.5 GPA, and demonstrate service to the community through volunteerism.

Carlos Martinez Saavedra

Osher Scholars Endowment Scholarship

This scholarship is funded through the generosity of the Bernard Osher Foundation and is part of a \$25 million endowment to the Foundation for Community Colleges. Student eligibility is based on a combination of criteria including eligibility for the California College Promise Grant fee waiver, determination to achieve in spite of adversity and a commitment towards completing their college education. Students must be enrolled at least half time and be making satisfactory academic progress.

Maliya Anderson

Jamella Harris

Antoine Hines

Taylor Holland

Mauren Saavedra Fernandez

Pacific Dining Student Scholarship

Since the founding of the company in 1989, Pacific Dining has grown by providing the highest quality food services to its diverse clientele. It is the primary food service vendor for the San Mateo County Community College District. Pacific Dining is pleased to sponsor scholarships for district students; Cañada College scholarships are awarded at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

Edith Benitez

Daniel Boyd

Michelle Haro Rios

Michael Taylor

Pat Hanada Classified Service Scholarship

Named in memory of long-time classified staff member Pat Hanada, this scholarship will be awarded each year to a Cañada student in recognition of outstanding service and/or contributions to the College, either as a volunteer, as a club officer, or as a paid student assistant. Minimum GPA of 2.5, continuing or transferring student.

Jules Thomas

Pepsi Scholarship Fund

This scholarship is to recognize a student of academic merit who demonstrates financial need. Students may be incoming, continuing, or transferring.

Giselle Hernandez

Alexa Morales Chavez

Private Client Reserve Scholarship

This scholarship is for incoming, continuing, or transferring Cañada students of merit who are committed to attaining a college degree.

Elizabeth Estrada

Anthony Neglia

Kathy Ruiz Alarcon

Andrea Sandoval

Project Change - Reverend Kristi Denham Scholarship

This year's scholarship is in honor of Reverend Kristi Denham. The Project Change Scholarship was established by Tom Bauer. This scholarship is for a student who illustrates commitment to social service both on campus and in the community. Has engaged regularly in student leadership opportunities and is an active member of the Project Change learning community. The recipient must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and plan to transfer to a four-year university.

To be Announced

Rhonda Chaney Design Scholarship Fund

The Ronda Chaney Scholarship for Fashion and Interior Design is a scholarship to benefit students with unmet financial need and enrolled in the Canada College Interior Design or Fashion and Merchandising programs. The scholarship was established by Mr. Richard Pope, a former student and lover of great design. As a student, he benefited from the instruction, inspiration, and camaraderie of Prof. Chaney. With the creation of this scholarship fund, Mr. Pope wants to enable other students to pursue their passion and creativity as well.

Erin Berger

Robert & Toni Oyster Endowed Scholarship

Named for local community members, Robert and Toni Oyster, this scholarship is given to a continuing or transferring student who has demonstrated financial need. Preference given to students who have returned or re-entered college after a break who are committed towards achieving a college education.

Priya Alo

Canisha Cantrell

Shayde DeSail

Gustavo Ferreira Costa

Stephanie Garcia Villagomez

Gloria Guerra Sibrian

Alicia Haskell

John Khazraee

Andrea Lopez

Josue Lizama

Arelis Materan

Ke'Shawna Nolan

Samantha Pilkington

Sandra Pina

Mitzi Ramirez Rangel

Roxana Sarina

Lupita Segura

Ricardo Silva Rios

Khine Thwal

Delvin Vasquez-Fuentes

Robert Stiff Scholarship

This scholarship, in honor of emeritus Cañada President Robert Stiff, is awarded each year to recognize students of academic merit with economic/ financial need, students who have demonstrated a commitment to the betterment of Cañada, CSM and Skyline College by being involved in leadership or volunteer activities. Students may be continuing with the intent to transfer or transferring to a four-year college or university. This scholarship is available to Cañada, CSM and Skyline College on a rotating basis.

Anthony Neglia

San Francisco Benefactor Nursing Scholarship Fund

This scholarship is for a full time student with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Scholarship recipient should be enrolled in CSM's ASN and Cañada's BSN programs. The student should have a demonstrated financial need with a high likelihood of success in the nursing program.

Danielle Fuentes Vasquez

Ali Rismanbaf

San Mateo County Community College Foundation Finish Line Fund Scholarship

San Mateo County Community Colleges Foundation raises funds for scholarships and educational programs for our District's three colleges. Contributions to the Foundation are received from many sources: individuals (including alumni), businesses, civic groups, community organizations, and other foundations. This scholarship is awarded at the discretion of the Foundation Scholarship Committee to promote student success.

*Shadia Alawamleh
Jennifer Alvarado
Pablo Alvarado Alvan
Erika Ayala-Huerta
Maria Aguilar
Stephanie Akers-Wright
Michelle Bal
Sandra Brown Sexton
Jose Ruiz Campos
Odalis Catalan Orrego
Larissa Celtron
Kricia Chamagua
Irene Chavez
Maria Clara Moraes
Lashanda De Rosans
Dubraska De La Torre
Eduarda De Linardo
Sonia Escobedo Parada
Flor Flores Gonzales
Corina Fonseca
Imee Francisco-Harrag
Julian Garcia Mendez
Brandy Halsell-Travenia
Samuel Jimenez
Deysi Julian Diaz
Ganna Latushko
Yixin Liu
Adriana Lopez Contreras
Yanmin Ma
Ziara Matthews
Jennifer Maranion
Angel Moreno*

*Alexis Naranjo Castaneda
Konatsu Okita
Justin Parrish
Jorge Perez Rojas
Aung Phone Thiha
Lucia Porta
Nancy Price
Laura Ramirez
Emily Ramos
Maria Rodriguez Plancarte
Luis Romero
Bryan Romero Pacheco
Angelina Rossoovich
Edmar Ruiz
Arlen Salas Medina
Sebastian Salcido
Dyana Santos
Xavier Stoney
Daniel Tadeo
Azzurra Tissingh
Angel Vega Moreno
Roger Vidal Mauricio
Alejandro Viveros Hernandez
Zhijian Wu
Jun Ying
Lidice Zegarra
Kaiwei Zhang*

Sara Boddinhouse Coastsideside Scholarship

This scholarship is for one or two females involved in Hispanic or Portuguese culture that live or have lived in San Mateo County, preferably on the Coast, with a minimum 2.0 GPA. The student must have completed a minimum of 25 college units and must have financial need.

Jasmin Becerra-Alonso

SMCCCD Retirees' Scholarship

This annual scholarship is sponsored by the retirees of the three colleges – Cañada, CSM, and Skyline. This scholarship is for continuing or transferring students at Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College. Applicants must show evidence of the following for consideration: have a minimum GPA of 3.0, completed 12 units, and be enrolled full-time.

Yiling Wu

Social Sciences of Cañada College Scholarship

This scholarship is for a fulltime student who plans to transfer with a minimum GPA of 3.5. Major or career track in Anthropology, Communication Studies, Economics, Geography, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, or Sociology. The recipients should participate in various clubs on campus, especially the Social Sciences Club, Political Awareness Club, and/or Phi Theta Kappa.

Samuel Trumble

Zhijian Wu

Sterling Redman Scholarship

To provide scholarship awards to new, continuing, and transferring students at Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College who demonstrate a commitment to community involvement and volunteerism.

Nadera Ali

Edgar Alvarado

Delgerjargal Bayarbat

Zachary Berger

Daniela Bigatti

Kanjamad Bosel

Isabella Camacho

Luis Cervantes

Zianna Angela Cruz

Carol Delgado Rodriguez

Jonathan Exley

Jonathan Gonzalez

Rodrigo Gonzalez

Marvin Gonzalez Barrientos

Yanina Jimenez Hualpa

Gloria Jimenez Rocha

Brayan Ledesma

Krystal Ly

Daniela Marroquin

Angel Miguel Gonzalez

Katherine Ochoa Jimenez

Katy Oseguera

Gabriel Pena

Elizabeth Lopez

Moises Lopez

Maria Pena Marquez

Laura Radas Mercado

Bryanna Mcgee

Celene Reyes

Corina Romero

Victoria Rosemeyer

Monica Salto Maldonado

Marlen Schleeft

Alex Silva

Anabella Sosa Alvarez

Lulu Sperow

Rosa Valadez Zaragoza

Rocio Vega

Yostin Xinico

Susan Yoshimura Scholarship

In memory of classified staff member Susan Yoshimura, this scholarship is awarded to a continuing or transferring Cañada student who demonstrates perseverance in attaining their educational goals. Students challenged by disability or chronic illness are given priority.

Oscar Benavente

Susanne L. Stevens Scholarship Fund

This scholarship provides awards for full or part-time students at Cañada College, College of San Mateo, and Skyline College majoring in accounting and pursuing a career as a CPA or tax professional. Applicants must show evidence of the following for consideration: be a continuing or transferring student, and have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Alina Lysak

Mayra Sanchez

Toby Merman Memorial Scholarship in Interior Design

This scholarship is for students in or entering the Interior Design Department who intend to pursue a professional career in the Interior Design fields. The student should demonstrate artistic or technical ability through a combination of portfolio, letters of recommendation, and/or GPA. Financial need is a criterion and the scholarship should be awarded to a student whose current circumstances present an obstacle. If all applicants are equally qualified, preference should be given to a veteran of the armed services.

Dolly Paucar Romero

Jasmin Becerra-Alonso

The Carmela Santino Scholarship Fund

To provide annual awards for full-time or part-time students at Cañada College who are pursuing a career in fashion design and merchandising. Applicants must show evidence of the following for consideration: indicate a plan to pursue a certificate, associate degree, or four-year degree in fashion design and merchandising, be a first-generation college student, and demonstrate an entrepreneurial nature and desire to exceed their limiting beliefs, and those of others, to make their professional dreams and goals come true.

Daron Session

The San Mateo County Community College District Bookstore Textbooks Scholarships

The SMCCCD bookstores are sponsoring three scholarships, one each for Cañada College, College of San Mateo and Skyline College students. These scholarships are vouchers to be used at the bookstores for supplies and books. Students may be full or part-time; have a minimum 2.75 grade point average; and demonstrate financial need. Students who currently work at the bookstores have preference.

Maria Clara Moraes

The William & Cora Saperstein Foundation Scholarship Fund

The William and Cora Saperstein Foundation awards one to two-year \$1,000 scholarships to deserving students pursuing their associate degree in the San Mateo County Community College District.

Walter Herrera

Angel Samora-Delgadillo

University Pathway Scholarship

This scholarship is funding for an incoming or continuing Cañada student who plans to transfer to a 4-year university. Students must be San Mateo County residents, have a minimum 3.0 GPA and demonstrated financial need. The scholarship is renewable for up to three years while attending Cañada provided students maintain the minimum GPA and progress standards in completing their educational goal.

Serena Okigbo

Atekeh Mojgan Laali

Vera Quijano Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship

The purpose of this scholarship is to assist students pursuing careers in Visual and Performing Arts. Visual and Performing Arts are defined as dance, music, photography, drama, painting, sculpting, drawing, architecture, graphic design, mixed media, animation and gaming, multimedia, and museum studies. Students must have at least a 3.0 G.P.A, demonstrate financial need, and be accepted by and transferring to a baccalaureate and/or graduate degree program at an accredited institution majoring in a Visual and Performing Arts program as defined above.

Michelle Kui

Virginia Hudson Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is for a transferring student of merit eligible under AB540 with limited access to financial aid resources. Special consideration for students planning to transfer to a California State University or University of California campus.

Alexis Arevalo Murillo

Maria Ortiz



HONORS TRANSFER PROGRAM

The Cañada College Honors Transfer Program recognizes its 13th year of graduates. To graduate as an Honors Transfer Program Scholar, a student must have a 3.3 or higher GPA, and complete a minimum of 15 semester units of honors level coursework. In addition, many of our Honors Transfer Scholars have written original research and presented their work at selective regional conferences. We are proud of our scholars and wish them the best as they transfer to the most competitive universities in the country.

canadacollege.edu/honorsprogram

Basler, Beech L.

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Economics
Transfer Major: Economics

Bhow, Anoushka Lily

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in English
Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Sociology
Transfer Major: Comparative Literature

Cheng, Mikael T.

Associate in Science Degree in Chemistry
Transfer Major: Chemistry

Choueiri, Drew E.

Transfer Major: Statistics

Costa, Gustavo Ferreira

Transfer Major: Civil Engineering

Ferreira Costa, Frederico

Associate in Science Degree in Engineering
Transfer Major: Electrical Engineering

Gottlieb, Alice A.

Transfer Major: Mathematics/Applied Science

Infante-Gutierrez, Monica

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Economics
Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in Business Administration 2.0
Transfer Major: Economics

Johnson, Leigh

Transfer Major: Physics

Liang, Chen

Associate In Science Degree for Transfer in Biology
Associate in Science Degree in Chemistry
Associate in Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies in Mathematics and Natural Sciences
Transfer Major: Biological Sciences

Linares, Eric L.

Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in Computer Science
Transfer Major: Computer Science

Matthews, Blake

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Political Science
Transfer Major: Political Science

Okita, Konatsu

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Psychology
Transfer Major: Psychology

Qin, Haobuan

Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in Physics
Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in
Mathematics
Associate in Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Studies in
Mathematics and Natural Sciences
Certificate of Achievement in University Transfer
Transfer Major: Applied Physics

Saneifard, Sabar

Transfer Major: Biomedical Engineering

Schnitt, Avery E.

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in English
Transfer Major: Comparative Literature

Tiutvin, Iurii

Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in Physics
Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in Computer
Science
Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in
Mathematics
Associate in Science Degree in Engineering
Transfer Major: Electrical Engineering

Wang, Yubuangze

Transfer Major: Political Science

Wu, Yiling

Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in Business
Administration 2.0
Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer in Economics,
Certificate of Achievement in University Transfer
Transfer Major: Business Economics

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