

Allan Hancock College

# ESTEEM (2022-23)

## Enhancing Success in Transfer Education for Engineering Majors

Up to \$4,000/semester!  
Scholarship Grant  
Mentoring  
Academic Support  
Professional Growth

**ESTEEM** is a *need-based* and *merit-based* scholarship grant and mentorship program sponsored by the National Science Foundation and in cooperation with UC Santa Barbara. **ESTEEM** is open to continuing *engineering* and *computer science* majors who will be at AHC in 2022–23 and are planning to transfer to a 4-year university. This year is the last year this opportunity will be available.

**Who should apply?** Continuing transfer-bound *engineering* and *computer science* majors with **unmet financial need** and a minimum AHC GPA of 2.9, who are in (or who have completed) Pre-Calculus 141 in Fall 2022, and are eligible to receive federal financial aid. Applicants should preferably be attending full-time (12 units); reduced grants may be awarded to those attending at least half-time (6 units).

Awards are given only to those with unmet need. Competitive Estimated Family Contributions (EFC) from FAFSA are typically less than \$12,000. Applications are scored equally on (1) financial need and (2) academic merit/potential. Meeting the minimum academic requirements does not guarantee an award.

For 2022-2023, an estimated **15 new scholarship grants** will be awarded at up to \$4,000 per semester. Take advantage of this great opportunity. **Reduce your work hours and focus on school.**

**Application Packet/Instructions may be downloaded at:** <https://www.hancockcollege.edu/mesa>

*Questions?* Contact: **Dom Dal Bello, Engineering Professor**, at [ddalbello@hancockcollege.edu](mailto:ddalbello@hancockcollege.edu).

### Eligibility Requirements (abbreviated)

An applicant must be:

- an AHC student pursuing a bachelor's degree in *engineering* or *computer science*.
- a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or lawfully admitted refugee.
- eligible for need-based financial aid for 2022–23, based on the **2022–23 FAFSA** Student Aid Report (SAR), and have **Unmet Need**. Competitive EFCs are typically \$12,000 or less. The 90-unit limit for financial aid may be waived.
- in (or have completed) PreCalculus in Fall 2022.
- preferably enrolled *full-time* (at least 12 units) at AHC during each term of the award. Reduced grants may be awarded to those with reduced units (minimum 6 units).
- Enroll in 2+ courses per term needed to transfer and earn a degree in Engineering or Computer Science.
- Have a AHC GPA of at least 2.9 (cumulative) at end of summer 2022.

### A complete application packet for ESTEEM contains the following documents :

1. Application Form (2 sides)
2. Personal Statement (~1.5 pages, double spaced)
3. Student Educational Plan
4. College Transcripts
5. Copy of 2022–23 FAFSA Student Aid Report
6. One (1) Recommendation Form from an AHC STEM instructor.

**DEADLINE**  
**for 2022-2023 cycle:**  
**Friday, October 7, 2022**

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