



Mt. San Antonio College
2022



Thank You

A Few Words from the Committee

It is our sincere pleasure to welcome each of you as we honor some of the finest students and educators at Mt. San Antonio College with the most prestigious awards the College has to offer.

Today we not only honor and celebrate Mt. SAC's best and brightest students, but also our dedicated educators who have motivated and inspired our students. All of the honorees are outstanding role models who exhibit great spirit, vision, and tenacity.

Thank you for bringing your talents to Mt. San Antonio College. Each of you exemplify that "Excellence is never an accident. It is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, and intelligent execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives - choice, not chance, determines your destiny" (Aristotle).

Warmest Regards,

Educators of Distinction Committee

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Honorees

Educator of Distinction

Jean-Pierre Gatillon

Academic Achievement

The selection of the Academic Achievement Award recipients were based on academic performance, balanced and broad course of study, course content, course rigor, and campus involvement.

Alina Agopian
Jeremy M. Cote
Nathaniel Reinhart Iskandar
Weizhen Jiang
Catherine Hope Martinez
Matthew Sosa
Amanda Udukumbura

Educator of Distinction

Mary McGuire

Service Achievement

The selection of the Service Achievement Award recipients was based on the quality of service to Mt. SAC, or the community, and cumulative grade point average.

An Ha
Fatima Hernandez
Araceli Nino
Carlos Antonio Romero

Acknowledgments

We extend our sincere gratitude to everyone listed below:

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Educator of Distinction

Lani Ruh

Competitive Achievement

The selection of the Competitive Achievement Award recipients was based on competitive activities, awards, honors, and impact on others and the college.

Janell Contreras

Alex Flores

Jailin Garcia

Frida Monsalvo

Educator of Distinction

Concepcion M. Toledo

Personal Achievement

The selection of the Personal Achievement Award recipients was based on level of hardship and personal challenges experienced, personal improvement, and campus involvement.

Lyfen Chheng Clarke

Dwight D Hinton

Gio Kingsbury

Leandro Perez

Gelo Rivera

Educators of Distinction

The selection of the Educator of Distinction award were based on student submissions of faculty, staff, and administrators who made a positive impact on their education, provided a beneficial influence in their life, and motivated them to realize their goals.



Jean-Pierre Gatillon

Professor of Sociology

"My nominee is known for his bright and caring nature. Beyond his intelligence in his discipline, he is incredibly affirming and respectful of his students' feelings, ensuring a balanced dynamic between the student and the professor."

Academic Achievement Award



Alina Agopian

Major: Psychology

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a clinical psychologist

Personal Achievement Award

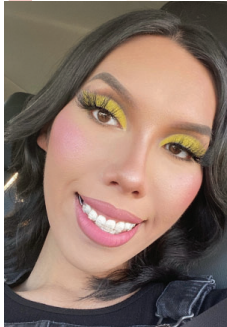


Leandro Perez

Major: Alcohol & Drug Counseling

Transfer University: California State University, Fullerton

Career Goal: To provide opportunities to people who are affected by the judicial system and incarcerated



Gelo Rivera

Major: Respiratory Therapy

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a registered Respiratory Therapist

Academic Achievement Award



Jeremy M. Cote

Major: Biology

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a psychiatrist



Nathaniel Reinhart Iskandar

Major: Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Transfer University: University of California, Berkeley

Career Goal: To become a software engineer and future contributor to Artificial Intelligence research



Weizhen Jiang

Major: Business Administration

Transfer University: University of California, Berkeley

Career Goal: To become a professional consultant to large companies

Academic Achievement Award

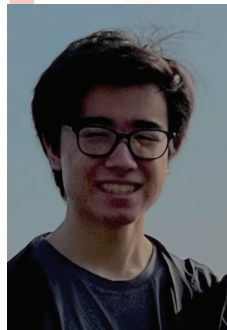


Catherine Hope Martinez

Major: History

Transfer University: University of California, Los Angeles
or University of California, Irvine

Career Goal: To become an attorney



Matthew Sosa

Major: Music & Philosophy

Transfer University: TBD

Career Goal: To become a lawyer in entertainment or
criminal justice; or a professor of philosophy and/or jazz
performance



Amanda Udukumbura

Major: Sociology

Transfer University: University of California, Berkeley

Career Goal: To become a professor of Gender and
Sexuality Studies

Personal Achievement Award



Lyfen Chheng Clarke

Major: Early Childhood Education

Transfer University: California State University, Pomona

Career Goal: To return to the Head Start Program



Dwight D. Hinton

Major: Business Administration

Transfer University: California State University, Fullerton
or California State University, Pomona

Career Goal: To become a successful entrepreneur and
private investigator



Gio Kingsbury

Major: Alcohol & Drug Counseling

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a social worker and foster youth
advocate

Competitive Achievement Award



Frida Monsalvo

Major: Business

Transfer University: University of California, Riverside

Career Goal: To own business in the fitness industry and a career in soccer

Educators of Distinction



Concepcion M. Toledo

Test Administration Clerk

"I returned to continue my studies this past semester because of the unconditional support I've received from this extraordinary woman pushing me to always move forward and not give up despite the circumstances. I am convinced that she deserves this honor."

Educators of Distinction



Mary McGuire

Professor of Art History

"My designated professor is an excellent teacher and mentor. She encouraged me to be independent and think more critically about the information presented to me, encouraging outside-of-the-box thinking as their discipline requires creative thinking."

Service Achievement Award



An Ha

Major: Business Administration

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a UI/UX Designer



Fatima Hernandez

Major: Studio Arts

Transfer University: California State University, Channel Islands

Career Goal: To restore art and/or become a professor

Service Achievement Award

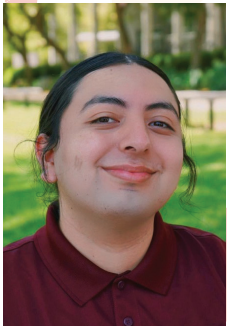


Araceli Nino

Major: Sociology

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a Medical Social Worker



Carlos Antonio Romero

Major: Psychology

Transfer University: University of California, Los Angeles

Career Goal: To become an academic counselor or neuropsychologist

Educators of Distinction



Lani Ruh

Professor of Kinesiology/Aquatics

"She instills the values of discipline, perseverance, and hard work in all of us. The Men's and Women's swim team wouldn't have been able to win the South Coast Conference without her inspiration, guidance, and encouragement."

Competitive Achievement Award

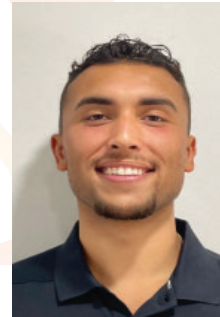


Janell Contreras

Major: Nursing

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a nurse



Alex Flores

Major: History

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a lawyer and own a law firm



Jailin Garcia

Major: Political Science

Transfer University: To Be Determined

Career Goal: To become a lawyer