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Local Scholars Honored at El Camino College Compton Center Academic Awards Tea

El Camino College Compton Center's annual Academic Awards Tea held on April 24 recognized the academic achievements of 36 honor students, three honors transfer students, three Presidential Scholars, and 45 scholarship recipients. Scholarships awarded by both ECC Compton Center and the Foundation for the Compton Community College District totaled more than \$40,300.

The 2016 Presidential Scholars are Ariadna Aguilera, Nico Balam and Karla Padron. Presidential Scholars represent students who have shown academic strength, singular focus and the desire to reach their highest potential, while overcoming obstacles in the pursuit of their dreams. The Presidential Scholar program that recognizes outstanding graduating students who have a 3.7 grade point average or higher.

For the first time, ECC Compton Center has three honors students who have completed the newly established Honors Transfer Program (HTP). Aidee Nunez-Jimenez, Lluvia Lastra-Morales, and Deyanira Cardenas-Herrera will be graduating in May with the HTP designation. The Honors Transfer Program provides a unique learning environment that stresses academic excellence and develops the awareness necessary to achieve this goal. The program prepares highly-motivated students to transfer by focusing on honors courses that are academically enriched to stimulate students intellectually, encourage independent critical thinking, and promote close interaction between students and faculty.

Honor Students

Honor students are those graduating with a cumulative GPA of 3.50 and higher. The 36 students earning associate degrees this May while also graduating with honors are:

Ariadna Aguilera
Felicia Alison Bader
Nico Balam
Janine A. Belvin
Mayra Reveca Briones
Makiea Georgia Buford
Stephanie Chavez
Joyce Codjoe
Magnolia Delgado
Renee Estrada
Priscilla Gonzalez
Saudhi Aralia Hernandez
Swaá A. Jackson

Lluvia Lastra-Morales
Maria Lermas
Gloria Marquez
Jorge Adrian Martinez
Tiffany Gold McKinley
Sandra Maleny Medina
Mikita Migail Miller
Eduardo Morales
Melendez
Brent Devon Nash
Snow Nguyen
Aidee Nunez-Jimenez
Karla Padron

Nereida Perez
Jasmin Ramirez
Kathy Arely Ramon
Diana Sarai Roque Lagos
Pedro Saucedo
Laura Alejandra Solis
Maria A. Vazquez
Alejandra Z. Vazquez
Derrick Lafronza White,
Jr.
Henrietta Williams

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Departmental Scholarship Recipients:

Shannese Belt, Child Development
Lara J. Blackwell, Art Department
Mariela Camacho, Fine Arts
Lorenzo Casarez, Extended Opportunity
Program & Services (EOPS)
Karla Gomez, Natural Sciences
Maria Monica Gregory, Special Resource
Center
Monique Hilton, CALWORKS
William Joseph Jones, Humanities

Christy Michelle, Cooperative Agencies
Resources for Education (CARE)
Griselda Najera, Athletics
Ana Isabel Olivas, Business
Gabriel Ruiz, Computer and Information
Systems
Jasielle Torres, Nursing
Shadonna Wilson, Career and Technical
Education

Foundation Scholarship Recipients:

Beatrice Diaz Acencio, First Generation
Scholarship
Cindy Alvelo, Foundation Scholarship for Re-
Entry Women
Joycelyn Allen, Foundation for the Compton
Community College District
Angeletta Kauikao Barrera, Southern
California Edison
Tiffany Brown, Osher Scholarship
Melissa Cervantes, Southern California
Edison
Perla Chavez, Osher Scholarship
Stephanie Chavez, Osher Scholarship
Courtney Nicole Clingan, Osher Scholarship
Antawn Dansbury, Schools First Worthy
Student Scholarship
Abraham Joel Franco, Osher Scholarship
Melva George, Osher Scholarship
Alberto Abraham Leon, Osher Scholarship
Alberto Lopez, Arthur Q. Tyler Scholarship
Andrea Marie Marchman, Encore Capital
Scholarship

Pablo Juan Merced, Stephanie Cooper
Aspiring Teacher Scholarship
Clifton Robert Newman, Schools First
Worthy Student Scholarship
Juan Puentes, Southern California Edison
Joshua Ramos Castellanos, Southern
California Edison
Noemi Reyes, Jessica and Jose Villalobos
Scholarship
Elmer Daniel Diaz Rosales, Osher
Scholarship
Gabriel Ruz, American Honda Scholarship
Donald James Sledge, Southern California
Edison
Gary Lee Smith, Southern California Edison
Selena Sykes, Encore Capital Scholarship
Jesus Tinoco, Southern California Edison
Edwin Vidal, American Honda Scholarship
and Jessica and Jose Villalobos Scholarship
Martin Walters, Vanessa Haynes Veteran
Scholarship
Kevin Wilson, Southern California Edison

About El Camino College Compton Center

El Camino College Compton Center is the community's education solution offering a full complement of transfer and degree courses, as well as career and technical education. Students may earn an associate degree or certificate, transfer to a four-year university or train for a career. El Camino College Compton Center is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA 90221.