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February 2019 Newsletter



## Meet Jocelyn E!

Jocelyn is a Computer Science Major at California State University, Long Beach who plans to graduate in May 2020. She held an internship at Jacobs Engineering during the Summer of 2018 and learned a lot about life on-the-job.

Like many of our STEM Advantage Scholars, Jocelyn is a first-generation college student; the first in her family to attend college. She is a member of the student chapter of the Association for Computer Machinery, or ACM, and has volunteered to help with their "Web Jams."

One of Jocelyn's long-term goals is to "create or improve a technology that helps many people." Jocelyn plans to attend graduate school after completing her Bachelor's degree at Cal State Long Beach, serving as a role model for other Latinas that, just like her, "si se puede!"

You can learn more about Jocelyn and our other Faces of STEM by checking out our website or following us on Social Media!

We are always looking for new partners to **provide internship opportunities** for scholars like Jocelyn. If you have opportunities to share, please contact **Lee Ann Kline**, President & Founder at 949.322.3320 or at [leeann@stemadvantage.org](mailto:leeann@stemadvantage.org).

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## Support our Scholarship Fund!

### 7th Annual STEM Advantage Scholarship Gala 2019



Join us on **Saturday, April 27, 2019** for our  
**7th Annual Scholarship Gala**  
at the  
California Science Center  
**Samuel Oschin Space Shuttle Endeavour Pavilion**  
**7:00PM to 10:00PM**

Catering by Kensington Caterers  
Frank Mottek- Senior Money Anchor KNX-1070 will once again be our  
Emcee  
George Pla, CEO, Cordoba Corporation is our Keynote Speaker

Presentations by several STEM Advantage Alumna  
Other VIP Guests TBA!

**Individual Tickets are Now Available!**

Adult Ticket = \$225 per person  
Under 16 Ticket = \$175 per person

For more information or to find out more about **Sponsorship Opportunities** contact Dr. Dawn Mooney Digrius, Executive Director at [dawn@stemadvantage.org](mailto:dawn@stemadvantage.org) or Lee Ann Kline, President & Founder at **949.322.3320**

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Co-Located Event  
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Media & Entertainment  
Services Alliance  
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WITH- Women in  
Technology Hollywood  
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**"Upgrading your  
Leadership Code"**

Our Own **Cindy McKenzie**, Vice President of STEM Advantage and CIO at Deluxe Entertainment Services Group, will present as part of a panel "Upgrading your Leadership Code" at the co-located event **Smart Hollywood Summit, Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at the Skirball Cultural Center, Los Angeles**. For more information [click here](#)

**Upgrading Your Leadership Code**

This event panel features five of the WITH Leadership Award winners from 2017 and 2018. Each of these women are recognized as champions for the WITH pillars, the mission statement that embodies our WITH community. These executives rose through the ranks in this male dominated field, have courageously advocated for gender equality and are passionate role models/mentors for many others in the industry. This session continues the leadership conversation, addressing: What made each successful as a leader and what pitfalls did they avoid? Who is the inspiration behind their voice and what resources do they leverage to keep their leadership skills sharp? What attributes should every leader have and what advice do they have for others who are interested in becoming more effective leaders? Join us for a genuine, no holds barred discussion on the challenges they faced and overcame in their leadership journey. Get your questions answered and update your own leadership code!

**Moderator:**

**Cybill Miklaszewski**, Director of Technology and Co-Chair, Women in Tech, 21st Century FOX

**Panelists:**

**Susan Cheng**, Executive Vice President, Content Tech & Operations, Warner Bros., **Denise Evans**, Executive Vice President, Operations, FilmTrack, **Deborah Fiorella**, Senior Vice President, Information Technology, NBC Universal Theme Parks & Resorts and Co-Founder TechWomen Los Angeles, **Cindy McKenzie**, Chief Information Officer, Deluxe Entertainment Services Group and Co-Founder, STEM Advantage

**Accenture provides  
Grant Funding to  
STEM Advantage!**

STEM Advantage thanks our partner Accenture for providing \$20,000 in grant funding to support our collaborative involvement with their Skills to Succeed corporate

citizenship initiative.

In February, we launched Accenture's Skills to Succeed Academy to our Scholars. An immersive, online learning program that features real-life situations with coaching and feedback along the way, the tool allows students to build skills and confidence to choose the right career, find a job, and be successful in the workplace. Students can choose from 36 interactive, bite-sized learning modules to create their own personalized learning path.

Based on the positive feedback we have received, we plan to roll-out more broadly to STEM students at the Cal State Campuses we serve. Several of our scholars, including Shawna D. (seen here) held internships and have been hired by Accenture. To learn more about Accenture's Community Engagement, click below.

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