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## June 2021 Newsletter

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### Internships and Entry-Level Jobs

If your company has openings for interns and/or new grads, please contact Lee Ann at [leann@stemadvantage.org](mailto:leann@stemadvantage.org)

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### Congratulation Graduates!



Ashley earned a B.S. in Civil Engineering with an emphasis on Environmental Science at Cal Poly Pomona. She is joining a consulting and design engineering firm working in land development.

"I'm so grateful to STEM Advantage for providing such vital resources for myself and others in the program to fulfill our academic aspirations and providing the support I wouldn't otherwise have.

I have worked all throughout my college journey and had not been able to do so entering my senior year of college due to Covid19. Receiving a STEM Advantage scholarship allowed me to complete the last few classes needed for me to get my Civil Engineering degree without the financial burden.

Being the first college graduate and engineer in my family, navigating job searching and understanding what I should look for in the workplace, especially during the midst of the pandemic, was completely new territory for me. STEM Advantage paired me with a fantastic mentor who focused in the area of Civil Engineering that I was interested in pursuing, providing me with the insight and perspective that I would not have known or considered. My mentor has helped me in weighing full time offers, helped answer questions on what I could expect going into full-time work, gone over important certifications and licensing, helped me prepare for interviews, and has also been such a big support and encouragement for me as a student and civil engineer (Thank you Matthew!).

Thanks to professional development programs such as the seminars with those in industry and UniteLA Work Force Ready, I feel much more confident in my interview skills, writing resume and cover letters, and offer negotiations.

I'm much better prepared to enter into the workforce and am looking forward to starting my career as a Civil Engineer!"

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Amy earned a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering at Cal State LA. She accepted a position with Northrop, where she will be working in the space sector doing aerospace systems.

"STEM Advantage helped me further my career, I was able to reach out to employers and make a bigger network to prepare myself for a full-time position."



Nafisa earned a B.S. in Computer Science at Cal State Northridge. She accepted a position as a Software Developer at General Motors.

"STEM Advantage has helped me a lot and is still helping me through the connections that I made. The scholarship helped me reduce my financial stress. I could not imagine how I would have survived in the job-hunting stage without the help of STEM Advantage.

Currently I am a software developer at General Motors. Rubi Mora (a STEM Advantage alumna) helped me tremendously to prepare for the interviews. I still ask her many questions. Guidance from my mentor Tuan Quang (an alumnus) encouraged me a lot. Plus, I have some great memories from STEM advantage sessions.

I am really grateful for getting the opportunity to be a STEM Advantage Scholar. I highly encourage people to join STEM Advantage and contribute in any way possible."



## Save the Date

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM FOR OUR 9TH ANNUAL STEM ADVANTAGE SCHOLARS GALA TO ADVANCE EQUITY THROUGH EDUCATION!

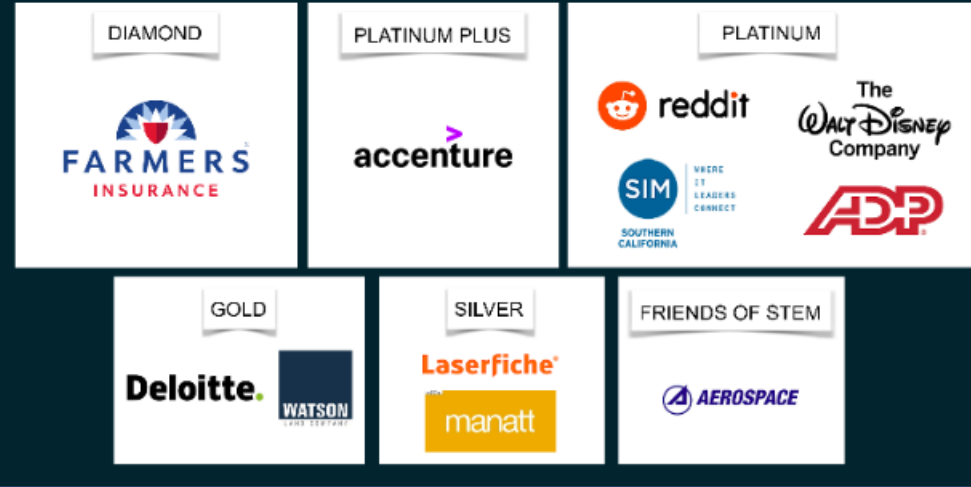
PLACE: NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2021  
TIME: 7:30 PM TO 10:30 PM

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### Los Angeles Business Journal honored STEM Advantage as Diversity, Inclusion + Equity Nonprofit of the Year

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