



June 2025 Newsletter

Scholars Celebrate a Huge Milestone

Thanks to your support, over 100 Scholars earned a bachelor's degree with a STEM major recently and are launching careers at exciting companies, including Aerospace Corporation, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Capital Group, Lockheed Martin, Microsoft, Northrop Grumman, Reddit, SAP, and The Trade Desk. Plus, a few are starting graduate school. Congratulations graduates! Sharing a few highlights...



"STEM Advantage has provided such a kind and welcoming community throughout my college journey. Through the mentorship program, workshops, and overall support from the staff, I've built confidence in my career and feel prepared for each step of the way. I really appreciate how STEM Advantage always looks to meet students where they are at, continuously adapting to their needs and making sure that their efforts make a difference."

- Alison earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Science at Cal Poly Pomona. She is a Software Engineer at The Trade Desk.



"I would like to say thank you to the donors since they are changing so many lives during these tough times. STEM Advantage is a great program to develop your skills, network, and most importantly grow as a human being. The workshop activities during the winter were great since they prepared us for the real world! I can't thank you enough for this opportunity and the program is run by an amazing staff."

- Hector earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Engineering at Cal State Northridge. He is a Safety System Engineer at Banner Quality Management.



"Thank you for providing the opportunity to join STEM Advantage and for the career support over the last few years. I am especially grateful for the mentorship program because I was able to connect with someone from the workforce who was also once in my shoes. The advice, guidance, and encouragement I have received from the STEM Advantage program have been invaluable."

- Allison earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Science at Cal Poly Pomona. She is a National Technology Consultant at Ernst & Young (EY).



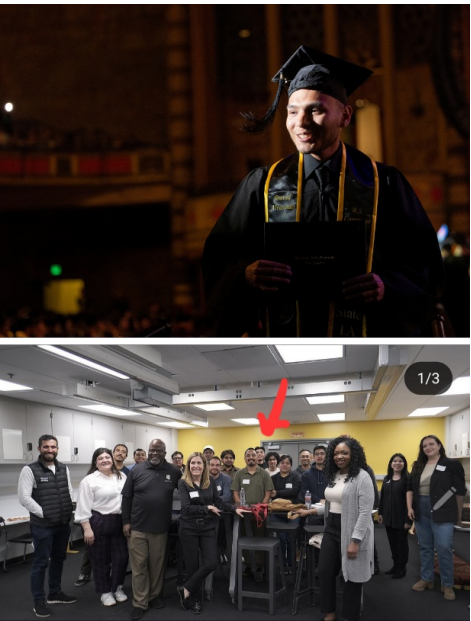
"It was an honor to be a part of STEM Advantage, and I continue to grow through being a part of the program."

- Eric earned a bachelor's degree in Mathematics at Cal State Northridge. He is earning a master's degree in Pure Mathematics at Cal State Northridge and is a Teaching Associate.



"I truly appreciate everything STEM Advantage has done to support me throughout my college journey. Being part of this program gave me access to mentorship, career guidance, and a sense of community that made a significant difference, especially as a first-generation college student navigating STEM. The encouragement and resources I received helped me build confidence and gain valuable experiences that I will carry into my professional path. I'm proud to be part of a network that invests in the success of students like me, and I look forward to staying connected as an alumna."

- Miriam earned a bachelor's degree in Biology - Pre-Med - at San Diego State University.



"Thank you so much for your support throughout my college journey. Being part of the STEM Advantage Scholars program was a game changer. This program not only provides financial support, but also mentorship, career guidance, and a community that believed in me. Your resources and encouragement helped me develop both professionally and personally. This opportunity would not have been possible without the confidence, skills, and network I gained through STEM Advantage. I'm incredibly grateful to the donors and staff who make this program possible. Your impact is real, and I'm proof of that."

- David earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Science at Cal State LA. He is launching his career as an Installation Technician for Computacenter at Riot Games Headquarters.



"STEM Advantage has been an invaluable resource for my education and career development. The workshops, scholarships, mentors, and everything else the program has to offer have all played a crucial role in helping me navigate my years in college. Out of all the different things STEM Advantage provides, my favorite one is the sense of community. Even when times were tough, it was very reassuring and motivating to know that I always had a network of amazing mentors, program organizers, and fellow students who I could reach out to at any time for advice. I will always be grateful for being a part of STEM Advantage!"

- Melvin earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Science at Cal Poly Pomona. He is a Solutions Reliability Engineer at Capital Group.



Internships & Entry-Level Jobs

Aerospace Corporation, Atlassian, Amazon Web Services, Capital Group, Meta, Microsoft, Northrop Grumman, Reddit, Salesforce, The Trade Desk, & USAA

What do these companies have in common?

These are just a few of the amazing companies where our Scholars have secured summer internships and entry-level jobs! If your company offers paid internships and entry level roles, we have vetted skilled talent ready to make a valued contribution to your team. Please contact Jasmyn at jasmyn@stemadvantage.org to discuss your hiring needs. Thank you!



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If you would like donate an item for our online and live auctions, please contact Cindy McKenzie at cindy@stemadvantage.org. A few ideas...

- Vacation homes or time shares for a 3 to 7 day stay
- Tickets or Box Seats for sporting events, concerts, plays or musicals, the Hollywood Bowl, etc.
- Experiences, e.g., studio tours, theme parks
- Wine tastings
- Cooking lessons
- Sports memorabilia, Golf lessons/experiences, etc.
- Electronics such as a laptop, MAC, iPad, Apple AirPods
- Gift baskets, e.g., wine, cooking, pamper yourself, pamper your pet

Invest in STEM Talent

Talent is equally distributed, but opportunity is not. STEM Advantage Scholars have the talent, grit, and ambition to succeed -- they just need someone to open the door. Your investment and generosity can provide internships and vital career-building experiences, mentors, scholarships, and community for primarily first-generation and low-income students. Together, we can unlock potential and change lives.

Please join us in creating opportunities for those who need it most. We sincerely appreciate your support.

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