

La Donna Yumori-Kaku Leadership Scholarship

Spring 2021

Sponsored by De Anza ICC

La Donna Yumori-Kaku was the Student Activities Specialist in the Office of College Life for over 39 years and recently retired in June 2019. She served as the ICC Advisor and was instrumental at developing student leaders at De Anza College.

She is a first-generation college student with a Master's and Bachelor's degrees. She understood the De Anza experience having earned her Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies from West Los Angeles Community College. Since high school she was actively involved with clubs and student leadership organizations. When she was at San Jose State University, she was involved with the College Union Programming Board which prompted her to enter the profession of Student Affairs. When La Donna started working at De Anza College, there were only 25 clubs. In the years she served as the ICC Advisor, she grew our student clubs to over 85. In addition, she was influential in starting several ICC signature events that have continued today including Club Day, Club Karaoke, Fall Dance, and Spring Carnival.

La Donna enjoyed working with our diverse student population especially with our clubs, Inter Club Council (ICC) and the De Anza Associated Student Government (DASG). She encouraged students to participate in campus life in order to enrich their educational experience. This scholarship is in honor La Donna's legacy and to continue the work she started four decades ago.

Purpose: To recognize students who have demonstrated their leadership and commitment to enhancing the campus experience of De Anza College students.

Amount: Up to five (5) \$1000 Scholarship

Given by: De Anza College Inter Club Council

Deadline: Friday **April 30, 2021. Letter of Recommendation from advisors by May 7, 2021.**

**Scholarship winners will be presented at the College Life Student End of the Year Student Recognition Awards event on Wed, June 2nd at 4-6pm as well as the ICC Spring Final at 1:30pm on Wed, June 2nd 2021. Attendance is highly encouraged.*

Requirements:

Please use the same one's as the Carolee scholarship with these changes:

Take out #5

7. Applicant must include two letters of recommendation form completed by a club advisor, faculty, or staff member that observed your leadership abilities.

Essay Question:

What leadership skills did you develop and use as a De Anza student leader? How will you use these skills in your future?