

MTB NEWS

March 2022

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MORE THAN
BOOTSTRAPS
to succeed



MTB Celebrates Women's Herstory Month!

This month we celebrate WOMEN!

Is there a particular woman (famous or not) whom you look up to in your life?

My mother Doris Jackson was a dual first-gen student-college and graduate school. Her three children followed in her footsteps - **Matt Jackson (MTB Board Member)**

Gabby Giffords, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, & Stacey Abrams for leading calls to action for social and environmental change. Julie Taymor (who directed the 2007 film *Across The Universe*, as well as the Broadway show *The Lion King*) was part of sparking my interest in creative video editing and collage - **Hannah Seaman (MTB Advisory Board)**

My grandmother was a religious young woman who overcame many norms in order to begin medical school, yet her ambitions were thwarted by Hitler. Instead, she and her husband were forced to flee, leaving most of her family behind. As they traveled from country to country seeking refuge and safety, my grandmother cared for her husband's parents, her two young children, and her husband while using her charm and language skills to navigate Europe. Her grit helped support the family when they reached the US and started life all over again - **Audrey Fisch (MTB President)**

BIG NEWS

Lizbeth Coliente and Melissa Reyes, College Student Leaders, were both selected for the Governor's Hispanic Fellows Program. This selective program places students in summer internships and includes amazing networking opportunities for future Latino/a leaders. We are so proud of them for applying, thrilled that they have been accepted, and excited to see how this opportunity will help them thrive.

Kamila Gell, College Student Leader, has been selected for positions as both a Resident Assistant and a General Education Mentor at Kean. Both of these roles will allow Kamila to continue to use her skills to support other students; they will also be an important source of funding for her education. Again, we are proud of her for applying, thrilled that she has been accepted, and excited to see how this opportunity will help her thrive.



Career Design

"What do you want to do?"

In February, MTB hosted a workshop presented by College Success Coach, Laura Amigone. Watch as she helps us reframe this popular career question.

The MTB Desk

FINANCIAL AID FACTS

Over the next few weeks, MTB will be sharing videos on our social media about financial aid facts. Check out the first in this series [HERE!](#)



New High School Fellows Recruitment Event

March 17 and 18, 2022

5:00pm

Reka (College Leader) and HS Fellows Ashley, Jennifer, Marisol, and Catherine (seniors) will be holding information sessions for students, who are currently sophomores interested in joining MTB next academic year. The Zoom sessions will be held Thursday, March 17, and Friday, March 18, at 5 pm. Interested students should [register here](#). Please visit our [website](#) for more information and help us spread the word!

MTB Family Event (In Spanish) - Supporting Your Student in College: What to Expect

March 25, 2022

5:30pm

The workshop will discuss the benefits of college, how college is different from high school, an overview of costs, a discussion of college options and majors, and discussion of how parents can support first-gen students in college.

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