



**A L U M N I**

Santiago Canyon College



## Alumni Stories – Eurononymous Fernandez

My name is Eurononymous Fernandez. I have gone to Santiago Canyon College to study American Sign Language and to receive my associate of arts as well. I first entered in 2015 and got my ASL certificate in 2017 and my AA in spring 2020.

I have become known on campus for my life story, yet many don't know how it got started. Coming to SCC was not easy for me, especially coming from household led by a single mother and having to take the bus. For three years I took the bus from Nutwood in Fullerton to Jamboree. It was totally a journey to come to school.

It was Professor Dena Kusak who told me about the Guardian Scholars Program. She read one of my essays in class, and asked me if I was a foster child. On learning that I was, she gave me advice on connecting with the program.

*My most memorable time at SCC has been swimming at seven in the morning for class, in the cold and feeling amazing for doing it. But to be known by President John Hernandez has been so unique to me. I felt proud to know he knows of me and what I have gone through. He has inspired me to want to work for Santiago and be part of the college district. I have felt wanted in the school. I am happy about what I did here at Santiago, because what happens here matters.*