

Justin Greene

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Middle College

Understanding Cohort

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Senior

We are happy to present Justin Greene as the MVLA Student of the Month for the Middle College Understanding Cohort.

In our dialogue-and-project-based classes, Justin models intellectual curiosity. Justin is a genuine, thoughtful, and respectful contributor who often poses questions that challenge the student groupthink and lead to a deeper, more substantive, and meaningful discussion.

In addition to his positive participation in class, Justin is also an outstanding citizen. Justin's care and concern for others is central to his character. For example, a few weeks ago, we had a junior student who was having a significantly difficult time and had to step out of class. Justin saw this student in passing and took it upon himself to stop and make sure they were safe, helped the student identify strategies to navigate the issue, and (with the student's consent) let staff know so we could further support the student. In this situation and others, Justin is compassionate, resourceful, and navigates complex situations with great intra- and inter-personal wisdom, and he has earned the trust of his peers. Justin is also well-known in our community for being extremely welcoming. He can often be found inviting others in, and more than once, has volunteered at recruiting events to speak to his Middle College experiences, answer questions, and encourage students to apply. We are so fortunate to have Justin in our community.

Since joining us, Justin has opportunistically used Foothill College's diverse offerings to explore his passion for health topics and public service. Last year, Justin opted to participate in Foothill's Research and Service Learning Symposium, a campus-wide event that gives students the chance to engage in research with the support of professors in the department. Justin plans to pursue Public Health at the university level and dedicate his career to help address health inequities.

Congratulations to Justin Greene. We can't wait to hear about his future adventures and accomplishments.