Shayan Zahedi

STUDENT OF THE MONTH Middle College Agency Cohort

March 17, 2025



We are happy to present Shayan Zahedi as the MVLA Student of the Month for the Middle College Agency Cohort. Shayan was accepted to Middle College during his senior year after having spent his first three years at Mountain View High School. Shayan has become an amazing addition to our classes, the Middle College program, and the larger community.

When I think of Shayan, I often am reminded of the quote, "be curious, and not judgemental." Shayan is open to learning new things both about the world and about the people around him. When participating in classroom discussions or simply getting to know other students, Shayan engages in a very sincere and thoughtful way. Shayan listens attentively to others and carefully reflects on what is being said before speaking. His responses in class are often very insightful and help guide the conversation in a deeper and more meaningful way. In addition to his participation in class, Shayan is known to be very friendly and warm.

Shayan is always willing to meet new people with a smile on his face. He truly meets everyone where they are, and is always willing to offer a helping hand. During our orientation week this year, Shayan enthusiastically participated in every single game, discussion, and activity. He helped facilitate some of the activities, and quickly became recognized as a leader in our cohort. Shayan is also well-liked amongst our staff, and has been very reliable and helpful throughout the year. Overall, his ability to engage empathetically inside and outside of the classroom fosters a genuine, welcoming community that Middle College strives to create. We are extremely fortunate to have a student like Shayan in our cohort.

Shayan plans to stay an extra year at Foothill College and explore new career pathways that Foothill may offer. We are excited to hear more about his future achievements and we are very proud of all his endeavors.