

# Distinguished Graduate

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## Ala Sherif

**COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST**

*“All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them.”*

**- Walt Disney**

Ala Sherif was born in Somali and raised in a refugee camp in Ethiopia. After she arrived in the United States, she attended San Antonio College, becoming the first child in her family to attend college. Ala has maintained a 3.693 GPA during her time at SAC and has worked as a federal college work-study student at Methodist Healthcare Ministries. She is a member of the National Society of Leadership & Success, the nation’s largest leadership honor society.

Her education began in Ethiopia, where she was in the English Learning Improvement Program. She was a basic computer teacher from the ages of 17 to 21 years old and also worked as a secretary at the Maxima Language and Computer School PLC in Ethiopia.

Her plan for the coming years is to earn a bachelor’s degree in computer science and to become an occupational therapist assistant. She is also multilingual, speaking English, Arabic, Amharic, and Somali. She currently works as a clinical practitioner assistant for Medway Support Services, working with children with autism and autistic spectrum disorders, developmental delay and behavioral issues.

