Fall 2023
Scholarship Newsletter
Greetings, College of Communications Supporters!

As we celebrate the 35th anniversary of the College of Communications this year, I invite you to meet the 2023-2024 outstanding scholarship recipients within our College’s four departments: Cinema and Television Arts; Communication Sciences and Disorders; Communications; and Human Communication Studies.

Thanks to your commitment and generosity, scholarship funding supports College of Communications students in their academic and co-curricular endeavors, culminating in the attainment of a college degree. Because of you, Titan students today will join your alumni ranks tomorrow, not only as successful professionals in their chosen fields, but also as community leaders in our society.

Since 1988, the mission of the College of Communications has been to prepare communicators to advance a democratic society. In honor of this mission – which requires perpetual support – we are establishing the College of Communications Scholarship Endowment in honor of the 35th Anniversary of the College, so that future generations of students likewise will be supported in perpetuity. I have made a personal contribution to this endowed scholarship, and I invite you to consider joining me.

Your support for students also has inspired my own life partner and myself to create a scholarship of our own. The Sha-Aeschelmann Scholarship now supports College of Communications students for study abroad opportunities, much like the one I experienced as an undergraduate Asian American student in France, which is how my partner and I met.

If you have questions about any of the scholarships or wish to learn more about current initiatives in the College, please contact Courtney Lutkus, Director of Development, at 657-278-4173 or clutkus@fullerton.edu.

Sincerely,

Bey-Ling Sha, Ph.D., APR, Fellow PRSA
Dean
“Being a recipient of the Sha-Aeschelman Study Abroad Scholarship helped me tremendously while studying abroad in Florence, Italy. The scholarship turned my years-long thoughts and dreams into a reality, and it has become one of my most memorable experiences as a student at CSUF. I could do things I would never have thought possible, such as living in an apartment at the heart of Florence, museum hopping for my classes, trying local foods, and meeting different people from other parts of the world.”
- Mariel Danganan
John and Jessie Maxwell
Communications Scholarship

Amelia R. Alim
Andres Webster Cabrera
Ava D. Villalobos
Bernadette Velasco

Charles B. Graham
David Nunez
Dominic Samaniego
Eddie Alexander Flores Orozco

Emily Castro-Luis
Emily M. Sinon
Fabian Acosta
Faith Jordan Bray

Gianna Luisa Horvath
Hritu Parna Barua
Jenin Jomaa
Kathryn F. Alves

Luis Esteban Vizcaíno Cortes
Malia K. Medina
Mariana Cerriteno
May Pham
John and Jessie Maxwell
Communications Scholarship
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Mia Mendoza
Michael M. Yoshinaga
Mingyu Wu
Nathan Villasenor
Nghi Nha To
Samuel A. Enriquez
Seleney Yveth Orozco
Skylr Scott
Taylor Payne
Valeria Banuelos
Yelka Gonzalez-Vargas
Aspen J. Olsen
Brenda P. Elizondo
Brooke Alexandra Borges
Catherine Cervantes
Cesar Barreto Villanueva
Christian M. Rebottaro
Evelyn N. Soriano
Gabriel D. Perez
Gabriela Gradillas
Haley Lopez
Htet Myet Ko
Jakob Michael Gil
Jessica A. Ryan
Jonathan C. Espinoza
Jorjette Alexandria Rosales
Julian E. Sandoval
Kaylee Gabriela Tatengo
Miranda N. Davis
Noah A. Ramos
Paulina L. Reyes
Stacy Arriaza
Vanessa Rodriguez
Xzachary Rositas
“I plan on using the filmmaking skills I learned at CSUF to open my own film business, offering services such as creating music videos, commercials, and more. The scholarship allows this dream and more to become a reality as I finish up my last year of school.”
- Fabian Acosta

“As a female Asian-American filmmaker, I am striving to be a creator that opens doors for those like me as well as tell stories that are harder to be heard. This scholarship has allowed me to focus on the creative endeavors I need to take to gain experience for my career in the film industry after graduation.”
- Hayley Garcia
“This generous gift will empower me to maximize my educational experience by allowing me to fully immerse myself in gaining real-world experience in the field in my clinical internships, without having to worry about added financial burden. This scholarship is a great help for my family and I, as it empowers me to follow my dreams and strive for excellence.”

- Rebeca De La Cruz
Department of Communications Scholarships

Andres Webster Cabrera
Alfred and Louise Hewitt Journalism Scholarship and John Stewart Memorial Scholarship

Skylr Scott
Barbara K. Rickard-Riegle Broadcast Journalism Scholarship and Vikki Vargas/NBC4 Broadcast Journalism Scholarship

Nathan Villasenor
David Little Scholarship

Leslie Olivo
Edgar P. Trotter Scholarship

Mia Mendoza
Edgar P. Trotter Scholarship

David Nunez
Gary Granville Memorial Scholarship and The Society of Professional Journalists Scholarship

Dominic Samaniego
Gary Granville Memorial Scholarship and Jay Berman Daily Titan Scholarship

Emily Castro-Luis
James Alexander Scholarship

Luis Vizcaino Cortes
Jay Berman Daily Titan Scholarship and John Stewart Memorial Scholarship

Gianna Horvath
Miven Venture Partners Scholarship

Brandon Caudill
Myles Atlas Memorial Scholarship and Terry Hynes Scholarship

May Pham
Terry Hynes Scholarship

Bernadette Velasco
Tien Family Scholarship

Xzachary Rositas
Titan Shops/Titan Bookstore Scholarship
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**“Receiving this scholarship not only represents a monetary reward but also symbolizes my hard work and support of the scholarship committee in my potential and aspirations. This scholarship has ignited a renewed sense of motivation and determination within me to excel academically and make a positive impact on my career and family history.”**

- May Pham

**“This scholarship means a lot to me. I am able to apply it towards the career I want to go into, which is creative direction. Thanks to this scholarship I will be able to purchase the necessary graphic design software and photography equipment required for my career.”**

- Gianna Horvath

**“I intend to use this scholarship to help me pursue an education that will help me build the foundation to work in a career and field that would benefit those marginalized communities whose stories remain untold or overlooked in the media. I want to fulfill that purpose in my career. I want to specialize in advocacy journalism, fighting for what I believe in and serving as a voice for the voiceless. Being a full-time undergraduate student and also living in an entirely different city on my own meant taking on a financial burden for me, myself, and I. Such scholarships are of great help to me. Besides financial aid and my current jobs and employers, I am my only source of income. These scholarships empower me to follow my dreams and strive to make the world a better place. Change has to start somewhere; education is an excellent way to start.”**

- Dominic Luke Samaniego
“My goal in pursuing and achieving the knowledge and skills provided by CSUF is to give back to society, especially within my own marginalized community. I believe through communication we can do almost anything. This scholarship is going to give me the means to engage in more research projects and hopefully even present CSUF work in large conferences. I would love to spread the good work our school and students are producing.”
- Krystal Morris
If you would like to support the College of Communications Scholarship Endowment in honor of the 35th Anniversary, please scan the QR code below.

https://give.fullerton.edu/35for35

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