

College of Communications

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Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders

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Glyndon D. Riley Memorial Scholarship

Amount: Two \$2,000 Scholarships

Established by: This award was established by Jeanna Riley in loving memory of her husband Glyndon D. Riley. Dr. Riley was a long-time professor in the Communicative Disorders program and was one of the founders of the Center for Children Who Stutter. Along with his wife, Jeanna, Glyndon created groundbreaking research on stuttering in children and adults. Much of the Riley's work is still used today to diagnose and treat stuttering. This scholarship was created to continue Glyndon's legacy and encourage professional interest in children who stutter.

Open to: This scholarship is open to incoming or continuing students who are pursuing a master's degree in Communicative Disorders at Cal State Fullerton.

Criteria: Interest in children who stutter

Application Procedure: 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the "Scholarships" app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Write a brief essay describing your professional interest in children who stutter and your overall career goals 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

Michael R. Farinacci Family Scholarship

Amount: \$3,000

Established by: The scholarship was established by Doris and Micheal Farinacci to support incoming or continuing COMD students who are pursuing a Master's degree in Communicative Disorders at Cal State Fullerton and a career as a speech-language pathologist.

Open to: This scholarship is open to incoming or continuing COMD students.

Criteria: COMD students who are pursuing a Master's degree in Communicative Disorders at Cal State Fullerton and plan to pursue a career helping adults with speech-language disorders.

Application Procedure: 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the "Scholarships" app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Write a brief essay describing your overall career goals 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

California Scottish Rite Foundation Scholarship

Amount: Two \$2,000 Scholarships

Established by: This award was established by the California Scottish Rite Foundation to benefit Communicative Disorders graduate students who plan to pursue careers as speech-language pathologists and help children with speech-language disorders. The mission of the *California Scottish Rite Foundation* is dedicated to support and assist the children in California to develop their full potential by providing childhood language services, scholarships and other charitable programs.

Open to: This scholarship is open to incoming or continuing students who are pursuing a master's degree in Communicative Disorders at Cal State Fullerton.

Criteria: Students who plan to pursue a career helping children with speech-language disorders

Application Procedure: 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the "Scholarships" app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON

SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Write a brief essay describing your professional interest in becoming an SLP specializing in children and your overall career goals; and 4) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

Pay-it-Forward Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Established by: This award was established by Traci Terpstra, an alumna in the Communication Sciences and Disorders program, who found a passion to become a speech-language pathologist later in her career. This scholarship was created to provide support to students who plan to pursue careers as speech-language pathologists and help children with speech-language disorders.

Open to: This scholarship is open to incoming or continuing students who are pursuing a master's degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders at Cal State Fullerton.

Criteria:

- Students who plan to pursue a career helping children with speech-language disorders
- Students from underrepresented backgrounds who have had or are experiencing financial hardship
- Students who demonstrate financial need
- Submit a personal statement

Application Procedure: 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the "Scholarships" app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Application must be accompanied by a personal statement (approximately 1,000 words) describing any hardship or challenges you have overcome; your financial need; your interest in becoming a speech-language pathologist specializing in children; and your overall career goals; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

NSSLHA Member Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Established by: This scholarship was created by the 2017 executive board of the National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association (NSSLHA) chapter at California State University, Fullerton to support students pursuing careers in communicative disorders. The NSSLHA chapter at California State University, Fullerton strives to provide cutting edge opportunities for students to supplement their education through service events, conferences, panels, social gatherings, and speaker events.

Open to: This scholarship is open to undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students majoring in communicative disorders. You must be a registered member of the NSSLHA chapter at CSUF to apply.

Criteria:

- Registered member of National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association chapter at California State University, Fullerton
- 3.0 GPA or higher
- Submit a personal statement
- Students who demonstrate financial need

Application Procedure: 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the “Scholarships” app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Submit a 1-2 page personal statement reflecting your achievements, goals, and volunteer/community involvement; 3) Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), or if you currently receive financial aid, please attach a copy of your “award” that is available through TITAN Online on your Portal, for establishing financial need; and 4) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

Holly Anne Irvine and Terry Irvine Saenz Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Established by: This scholarship was established by long-time faculty member in the Department of Communications Sciences and Disorders, Dr. Terry Irvine Saenz. Dr. Saenz advocated for multicultural curriculum and clinical practice to provide learning opportunities mirroring the diversity of cultures and languages in our world. The scholarship is named for Dr. Saenz and her sister Holly Anne Irvine who was a speech-language pathologist.

Open to: This scholarship is open to students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree majoring in the Department of Communication Disorders at Cal State Fullerton. Applicants should be interested in a career as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist and have an interest in working with multicultural populations.

Criteria: Full-Time Enrollment ♦ Good academic standing ♦ Financial Need ♦ Students should be interested in or have experience working with multicultural populations

Application Procedure: 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the “Scholarships” app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Submit a 1-2 page personal statement reflecting your achievements, goals, and multicultural involvement; 3) Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), or if you currently receive financial aid, please attach a copy of your “award” that is available through TITAN Online on your Portal for establishing financial need; and 4) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

Student Speech Therapists and Audiologists Nurturing Cultural Enrichment (STANCE)

Amount: \$1,000

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Open to: This scholarship is open to students who (1) is an undergraduate or post-baccalaureate student majoring in communicative disorders, and (2) shows demonstrated financial need.

Criteria: Undergraduate or post-baccalaureate student majoring in communicative disorders ♦ shows demonstrated financial need. Preference will be given to students who are actively engaged in multiculturalism efforts within the community

Application Procedure: 1) Visit the [Scholarship](#) page (it will first take you to your CSUF portal login); 2) Log into your CSUF portal and it will open the Scholarship page. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the Scholarship Application; 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

Titan Shops/Titan Bookstore Scholarship

Amount: \$500 (two awards, dependent upon funding)

Established by: These scholarships are donated by the Titan Requisition Rewards Program of Titan Shops/Titan Bookstore.

Open to: This scholarship is open to continuing communication sciences and disorders majors who are pursuing an undergraduate degree.

Criteria: Good academic standing ♦ Submit a personal statement ♦ Students who demonstrate financial need

Application Procedure: 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the “Scholarships” app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Provide a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or professional reference; 3) If you currently receive financial aid, please attach a copy of your “award” that is available through TITAN Online on your Portal; and 4) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

Application Deadline: March 1 by 5pm

Jim & Rose Lloyd Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Established by: This scholarship was established by Jim and Rose Marie Lloyd in their legacy. Rose received her master’s degree in Speech Pathology and became a special education teacher. Rose lost her hearing at 26 years old, and the couple created this scholarship to support undergraduate students with hearing impairments in her honor.

Open to: This scholarship is open to students pursuing an undergraduate degree in the Department of Communication Disorders at Cal State Fullerton. Applicants should be interested in pursuing a career as a speech-language pathologist or audiologist. Preference will be given to students with hearing-impairments.

Criteria: Full-Time Undergraduate Enrollment ♦ Good Academic Standing ♦ Financial Need

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