Kelsey Almendral

Department:
Deaf Studies

Program/Major:
BA, Deaf Studies

Awarded:
Lillian Paula Seitsive Scholarship

“The Lillian Paula Seitsive scholarship will help me continue my education here at CSUN by helping me purchase textbooks as well as pay for my rent. I will use this as a constant reminder of why I am here and why I work so hard. When I walk into my future classroom for the first time I will only have the people who supported my dream to thank.”

Lilliana Alvarez Hernandez

Department:
Educational Psychology and Counseling

Program/Major:
MA, Educational Psychology – Early Childhood Education

Awarded:
Association of Retired Faculty/Michael D. Eisner College of Education/Phil and Shirley Hansen Memorial Scholarship

“Having the opportunity to spread out my culminating thesis project into two semesters, I will connect with experienced professionals to learn and share strategies for collaborative engagements regarding Early Childcare and Education policy. In the process, I hope to gain insights and guidance towards choosing a doctoral program that will continue to empower me as a strong leader and advocate for children, families, and the childcare workforce.”
Alisa Baik

Department:
Elementary Education

Program/Major:
ACT- Multiple Subject Credential, Bilingual Korean Teaching Authorization

Awarded:
Hoffman Family Merit Scholarship

“I am excited to have my own classroom to share my passions for education, nature and art. Depending on what will be next after my completion of the credential program, I will use the scholarship money for furthering my education to become a more knowledgeable educator or for supporting my students through classroom resources and materials.”

Jessica Bandarizadeh

Department:
Educational Psychology and Counseling

Program/Major:
MS, Marriage and Family Therapy

Awarded:
Association of Retired Faculty/Michael D. Eisner College of Education/Phil and Shirley Hansen Memorial Scholarship

“As a full-time graduate student and a part-time student assistant at the Center for Teaching, this scholarship will assist me in working towards my academic endeavors with stronger financial stability. I hope to ultimately become a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist.”
Melva Barrios

Department:
Liberal Studies

Program/Major:
BA, Liberal Studies – ITEP Multiple Subject Credential

Awarded:
Marilyn Joshua Williams Scholarship

“The scholarship will feed my ambition for progress, nourish my knowledge and serve as a steeping stool for future endeavors. As an educator in the making, this scholarship will help me help others – a continuous cycle of giving, support and encouragement.”

Amanda Boiko

Department:
Liberal Studies

Program/Major:
BA, Liberal Studies – ITEP Education Specialist Credential, Mild/Moderate Disabilities

Awarded:
Myrna Vallens Scholarship

“I have always loved working with children. The best part of working with them is watching them blossom over time in their own unique ways. I love watching their faces light up when they understand something new, and I truly love being a part of it. Teaching and caring for children with special needs is my absolute passion. This scholarship is getting me closer to reaching my dream to become a Special Education teacher and for that, I am so incredibly grateful.”
Brenda Cavallaro

Department:
Special Education

Program/Major:
Education Specialist Credential – Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Awarded:
Lillian Paula Seitsive Scholarship

“I just moved closer to where I will student teach. The scholarship will help me settle in. It will also aid me in the preparation of teaching as I want to give it my all, showing how motivated I am to be both a teacher and a Deaf role model.”

Daniel Cruz

Department:
Secondary Education

Program/Major:
ACT – Single Subject – Science: Geoscience

Awarded:
Dan and Cindy Chernow Future Teacher Scholarship

“My car was stolen last year and was returned in terrible condition. I will use my scholarship money to make repairs to my car so that I can have a secure method of transportation. This scholarship will help me get to school so that I may teach what I love.”
Kayleigh Felt

Department:
Liberal Studies

Program/Major:
BA, Liberal Studies – Multiple Subject Teaching Credential

Awarded:
Hoffman Family Merit Scholarship

“As a future teacher I plan use this scholarship award to help build my classroom library, as well as provide my students with necessary classroom supplies and access to technological resources.

Natalie Gibson

Department:
Secondary Education

Program/Major:
Single Subject Credential – English

Awarded:
Association of Retired Faculty/Michael D. Eisner College of Education/ Phil and Shirley Hansen Memorial Scholarship

“I am so grateful to be receiving this scholarship. I will be using it to continue my pursuit of a credential for teaching in Los Angeles and one day open a non-profit organization that focuses on students struggling with low socioeconomic status.”
Hazel Heredia

**Department:**
Elementary Education

**Program/Major:**
ACT – Multiple Subject

**Awarded:**
Hoffman Family Merit Scholarship

“This scholarship has given me the opportunity to start planning for the future classroom I hope to have. It has allowed me the flexibility to design a classroom where students will come and enjoy learning, and will help provide me with the resources I need to create a supportive learning environment.”

Kimberly Hollis

**Department:**
Liberal Studies

**Program/Major:**
BA, Liberal Studies – ITEP Multiple Subject Credential

**Awarded:**
Wells Fargo Teacher Education Scholarship

“I am a returning student. I am very grateful for the Wells Fargo Scholarship, and I intend to use the funds towards purchasing books and supplies that will advance my teaching skills. Thank you again!”
David Janik

**Department:**
Elementary Education

**Program/Major:**
Multiple Subject Credential

**Awarded:**
Hoffman Family Merit Scholarship

“This scholarship will help me focus on student teaching and completing the final coursework needed to earn a preliminary teaching credential this spring. I am looking forward to becoming a classroom teacher, motivating young learners to be creative and critical thinkers, and continuing to develop as a professional educator.”

Eun Kang

**Department:**
Elementary Education

**Program/Major:**
Multiple Subject Credential

**Awarded:**
Rhonda Sim Wasserman Memorial Scholarship, Hoffman Family Merit Scholarship

“This scholarship will allow me to focus on my studies and help me to build my foundations as a future elementary school teacher. I hope to become a teacher who inspires students to be critical and independent thinkers.”
Caitlin Krier

Department:
Secondary Education

Program/Major:
ACT – Single Subject – English

Awarded:
Dan and Cindy Chernow Future Teacher Scholarship

“As an English teacher, I am inspired by the stories we tell. I believe that reading and writing have the power to serve as tools of liberation, and I will use this scholarship to support my work toward becoming a lifelong transformative educator here in the communities of Los Angeles.”

Samantha Loveman

Department:
Educational Psychology and Counseling

Program/Major:
MA, Educational Psychology – Early Childhood Education

Awarded:
Rose C. Engel Scholarship

“I am so grateful to receive the honor of the Rose C. Engel scholarship! This scholarship will invigorate my future career as I continue to advocate for optimizing young children’s learning environments. Most of all, I hope to make my professors and cohorts proud because they have been my rocks and my family throughout my graduate education! The Early Childhood Education Master’s Program has been a gift to my life. With all my heart, thank you!”
Natally Magana

**Department:**
Liberal Studies

**Program/Major:**
BA, Liberal Studies – ITEP Multiple Subject Credential

**Awarded:**
Wells Fargo Teacher Education Scholarship

“The scholarship will be used towards setting up my future classroom with supplies, projects, and technology that lower-income schools usually do not have provided. This can be especially difficult for first year teachers. I would like to support my classroom with tools required such as paper, ink, books, whiteboard markers, and even technology.”

Morea Martinez

**Department:**
Deaf Studies

**Program/Major:**
BA, Deaf Studies

**Awarded:**
Tina Hauck Memorial Scholarship

“In May of 2017 I will be graduating from the Deaf Studies department with a bachelor’s in Deaf Studies and a focus in Pre-Deaf Education. I plan to use the Tina Hauck Memorial scholarship to achieve my goals while on the path to my future career. This scholarship will help purchase books as well as pay for future tests: Graduate Record examination (GRE) and the Interpreting certification.”
Phuong Nguyen

**Department:**  
Deaf Studies

**Program/Major:**  
BA, Deaf Studies

**Awarded:**  
Lavelle Glidewell Hamel Memorial Scholarship

“After graduating, I want to work as an ASL interpreter in educational settings. However, my long term goal is to pursue a Master’s degree in Linguistics because after taking an ASL linguistics class and being in the IEP, I want to do research on language acquisition and the mechanism behind interpreting. For that purpose, I will use the scholarship to help me pay for the GRE prep classes and materials, as well as the GRE test to get me into graduate school.”

Jasmine Ruffin

**Department:**  
Deaf Studies

**Program/Major:**  
BA, Deaf Studies

**Awarded:**  
Lillian Paula Seitsive Scholarship

“This scholarship will ease some financial stress and allow me to focus on achieving my goals such as succeeding in the Interpreter Education Program. I will also be able to dedicate more time to working on outside research regarding Deaf Education and Sign Language Interpreting.”
Krystal Schipper

Department:  
Elementary Education  

Program/Major:  
Multiple Subject Credential  

Awarded:  
Dan and Cindy Chernow Future Teacher Scholarship  

“My career goal is to pursue Studio Teaching. I will be required to start making payments immediately after graduation, however this scholarship will be applied to loans I currently have at CSUN. This will lessen the impact of my loans until I can secure a career position as a teacher.”

Roya Shahi

Department:  
Elementary Education  

Program/Major:  
ACT – Multiple Subject Credential  

Awarded:  
Hoffman Family Merit Scholarship  

“I am grateful for the Hoffman Family Merit Scholarship, as it allows me to focus my efforts on successfully completing the program without the stress of having to save money to pay for tuition. I will also confidently move forward in my career, knowing that I earned the scholarship based on my hard work and dedication.”
Jessica Shear

Department:  
Elementary Education

Program/Major:  
Multiple Subject Credential

Awarded:  
Lillian Raphael Teacher Education Scholarship

“I began my journey with the multiple subject credential program in 2016. I am an avid lover of the arts, students, and character education. This scholarship will help me on my journey towards having my own elementary classroom, where I can teach the next generation of learners.”

Tiffany Smith

Department:  
Special Education

Program/Major:  
Education Specialist Credential – Mild/Moderate Disabilities

Awarded:  
Harvey Nasatir Memorial Scholarship

“I hope to work as a co-teacher and resource specialist in the coming future. This scholarship will ease the financial burden and let me focus on improving my practice.”
Tabatha Tobin

Department:
Liberal Studies

Program/Major:
BA, Liberal Studies – ITEP Multiple Subject Credential

Awarded:
Association of Retired Faculty/Michael D. Eisner
College of Education/Phil and Shirley Hansen
Memorial Scholarship

“This scholarship will allow me to continue working toward my credential and reach my goals towards my teaching career in the beginning stages of student teaching.”

Laura Vargas

Department:
Special Education

Program/Major:
Education Specialist Credential – Mild/Moderate Disabilities

Awarded:
Kelly Kolts Keogh Scholarship

“I attended LAUSD’s Highly Gifted Magnet Program, graduated Magna Cum Laude from NYU and was a teaching fellow at Loyola Marymount University. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the donors of the Kelly Kolts Keogh Scholarship. The scholarship will help me complete my internship at Assurance Learning Academy.”
Ashley Wagner

Department:
Deaf Studies

Program/Major:
BA, Deaf Studies – Interpreting

Awarded:
Michel P. Laxague Memorial Scholarship

“My goal is to work as an educational interpreter at the high school and collegiate level. This scholarship will allow me to attend workshops, complete volunteer and internship opportunities, and get one step closer to achieving my goals.”

Zili Wang

Department:
Educational Leadership and Policy Studies

Program/Major:
MA, Educational Administration, Higher Education

Awarded:
Mo-Goodlad Comparative Education Scholarship

“I am an international graduate student. Under the help of Mo-Goodlad Comparative Education Scholarship, I will focus more on the school principal comparative study between China and the United States. I will use this scholarship as my first step to promoting communication between Chinese education and American Education in my future career.”
Robert Wood

Department:
Secondary Education

Program/Major:
ACT- Single Subject Credential – Social Science

Awarded:
Lillian Raphael Teacher Education Scholarship

“As a recipient of the Lillian Raphael Teacher Education Scholarship, I will further my goal to become a social studies teaching professional. Through the discovery of historical events and worldwide paradigms, I hope to impart the skills and knowledge to my future students to be successful in a global society.”

Sarah Zgodzay

Department:
Elementary Education

Program/Major:
Multiple Subject Credential

Awarded:
Virginia L. Hansen and Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship

“I will use this scholarship to complete my teaching credential program here at California State University Northridge. The generosity of this scholarship will allow me to achieve my dream of becoming an elementary school teacher, where I will be able to have a positive impact in the lives of my students.”