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2020-2021 Scholarship Recipients Besnilian Leadership Scholarship

CSUN has been a second home to Annette Besnilian and her family for over 27 years. She first earned her bachelor's degree in 1994 and then completed her doctorate in Educational Leadership at CSUN in 2013. She is currently the Director of the CSUN accredited Dietetic Internship Program and a full-time faculty teaching Nutrition, Dietetics, and Food Science courses to graduate students in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences since 2002. She is also the Executive Director of the Marilyn Magaram Center for Food Sciences, Nutrition, and Dietetics.

The gift proceeds for the Besnilian Leadership Scholarship will provide annual scholarship awards for undergraduate or graduate students enrolled in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department. The scholarship was established to help support students and provide leadership opportunities for those who intend to apply to a local or national conferences or annual professional symposiums to present their research.

Diane Ajiatas Undergraduate Student *for Nutrition and Dietetics*



Diane Ajiatas is a junior at CSUN. She is majoring in Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS) and minoring in Human Lactation. Diana's focus in FCS is Nutrition & Dietetics. She was born and raised in Los Angeles, California, in a small town called Canoga Park. Diane is an only child who was raised by a single mother. Diane comes from an immigrant family in which strong values and traditions shaped her into who she is today. One of her special interests is photography. Diane

enjoys the concept of capturing a beautiful moments in life.

2020-2021 Scholarship Recipients

Christine H. Smith Scholarship

for Nutrition. Dietetics & Food Sciences

The late Dr. Christine "Chris" Smith was a beloved professor in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department for almost 30 years. She was a co-advisor for the department's Student Dietetic and Food Science Association (SDFSA) for over 20 years and served as the Director of the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD). Chris was instrumental in guiding students into becoming registered dietitians. She remined a large part of the DPD program after her retirement. Chris and her huabdna, Owen '65 (Theatre), M.A. '67 (Drama) met at CSUN, had a fairytale romance, and both were influential members of the CSUN community. In 2013, they passed away just 81 days apart — Owen, after battling cancer, and Chris, after an accident at her home. Prior to their passing, the Smiths decided to leave a gift from their estate to CSUN, their second home. In their will, the Smiths directed funds in the form of a planned gift to five different areas at CSUN, including this endowed scholarship for a student in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences with an emphasis in Nutrition, Dietetics, and Food Science.

Lori Minaskanian Undergraduate Student for Nutrition and Dietetics



Born and raised in Southern California, Lori Minaskanian has always been passionate about topics relating to an individual's health. At an early age, she knew she wanted to approach health holistically by combing her education of proper nutrition and physical activities to helps people achieve their health and fitness goals. She obtained her Certification in personal Training through the National Academy of Sports Medicine, while also holding positions of

Fundraising Chair for the Student Dietetic and Food Science Association, as well as the Social Director/Events Coordinator for the Armenian Students

Association. Lori was cross-trained through the Marilyn Magaram Center for the Child Nutrition and Health Assessment Internships. She worked with the children attending the Lab School by preparing them a snack menu with consideration to dietary restrictions. At the Fueling Stations on campus, Lori worked with the CSUN athletic teams to ensure proper athletic performance and recovery. After complete of her Bachelor of Science degree, Lori plans to become a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist. She is honored and grateful to be the recipient of the Christine H. Smith Scholarship and is excited to expand her horizons and benefit her greater community.

Je Young Lee
Undergraduate Student
for Food Science and Administration



Je Young lee was born in Seoul, South Korea. His family and him moved to Los Angeles, California when he was 10 years old. Je Young is proud to be a first-generation college student. Je Young has worked in diverse restaurants and cafes, including running his family business in the food industry. He chose to study Food Science because he wants to pursue a career in food science researcher and development after college. Je's dream workplace is a soft drink or energy drink

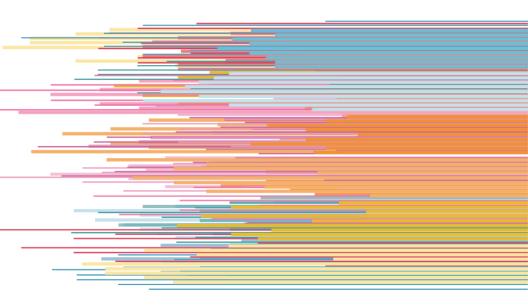
manufacturing company. He is also an ardent coffee connoisseur, always looking for a new coffee roastery.

Gabriela Brocca Undergraduate Student

for Nutrition and Dietetics



Gabriela Brocca is an international transfer student, born and raised in Rio de Janiero, Brazil. She is bilingual (Portogeuse), and is currently in her third year at CSUN. Gabriela is focusing her studies in Nutrition and Dietetics, while also taking Food Science courses. She is a Chemistry tutor at CSUN, as well as an intern for the Marilyn Magaram Center. Her favorite things to do are going to the beach, hanging out around my family, reading, and working out.



2020-2021 Scholarship Recipients Nancy J. and Joseph N. Owens Scholarship for Apparel Design & Merchandising

Nancy Owens taught in the Department fo Family and Consumer Sciences for 36 years, specializing in apparel design and merchandising. She was highly involved at CSUN and has continued volunteering at the university since her retirement. Nancy served as the university's chapter advisor for Kappa Omicron Nu, the leading honor society for student in the Human Sciences. Nancy and her husband, Joe, have continued to the university through their scholarship endowments that help students achieve their academic and career goals. This scholarship provides support to a student in the Apparel Design and Merchandising program.

Erik Talavera
Undergraduate Student
for Apparel Design & Production



Erik Talavera is a junior at CSUN. He is double majoring in Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS) and Chicano/a Studies. His focus in FCS is Apparel Design & Production. Erik is from Thermal, California, which is a small city located in the Coachella Valley. He is part of EOP, and a first generation college student. He has also joined MEChA and has made the Dean's list for the Spring 2020 semester.

Lauryn Haines

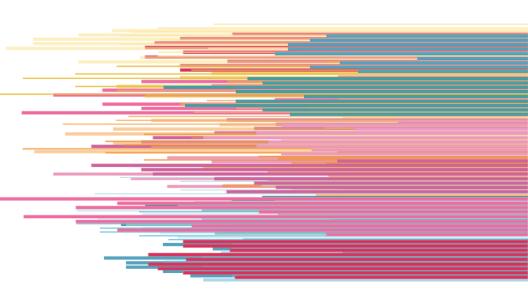
Undergraduate Student

for Apparel Merchandising



Lauryn Haines was born in Oakland, California. Lauryn contributes much of her success to her parents, who emphasized the importance of attending college and getting an education. Today, she is proud to acknowledge that she is a junior at CSUN majoring in Family & Consumer Sciences (FCS). Her focus in FCS is the Apparel Design & Merchandising program. When Lauryn graduates, her goal is to become a celebrity wardrobe stylist. Currently, she is working as a Visual

Merchandiser at Victoria Secret. She strong believes that attitude determines a person's altitude. Lauryn is a very optimistic individual who looks forward to a bright future.



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Alondra Valdez
Undergraduate Student
for Nutrition and Dietetics



Alondra Valdez was raised in Wasco, California. She graduate from Bakersfield College in 2019 with an Associates of Science degree in Human Biology. Alondra transferred to CSUN in Fall of 2019, and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Family and Consumer Sciences. Her focus in FCS is Nutrition, Dietetics and Food Science. Alondra is passionate about research, in being so, she works as a research assistant for CSUN's Marilyn Magaram Center. She plans to

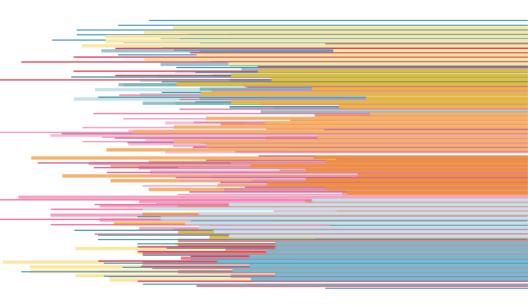
pursue a Master degree in the field of aging and health span, as well as a dietetics internship, in preparation to receive her certification as a registered dietitian.

Sahar Tamari Graduate Student for Dietetic Internship



Sahar Tamari is a Dietetics Intern student working towards her goal of becoming a Registered Dietitian.

Sahar graduated from UCSB with a Bachelor in Molecular, cellular and Developmental Biology, as well as a Master degree in Family and Consumer Sciences with an option in Nutrition and Dietetics. She is is inspired daily by her husband and three children.

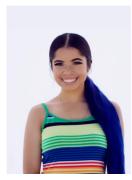


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Rosalie Hilger Achievement Scholarship

This scholarship was made possible by a generous gift from Ernest Hilger, on behalf of the Hilger Family Trust, and in honor of Ernest's most beloved wife, Rosalie Hilger. Ernest established this scholarship to carry on Rosalie's legacy, her caring and gentle spirit, and to benefit future generations of students, something that Rosalie was passionate about. Rosalie Hilger was an alumna of CSUN's Family and Consumer Sciences program and served as an adjunct professor at East Los Angeles Community College and Los Angeles Mission College.

Citlaly Padilla
Undergraduate Student
for Family Studies



Citlaly Padilla is a first-generation DACA college student. Citlaly is majoring in Family and Consumer Sciences with an emphasis in Family Studies. She is also minoring in Child Development and Human Lactation. Her goal is be employed in a government job in human service and get into the nursing field along the way. Citally aims to use Family Studies to hep families and children in a meaningful and caring way. She is also a part of CSUN's Bridge to The Future Scholars Program. Citlaly enjoys

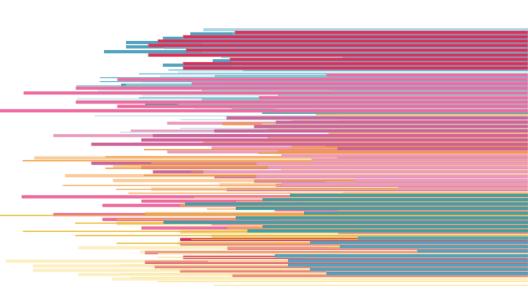
volunteering and being involved in the community.

Sahar Tamari Graduate Student for Dietetic Internship



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2020-2021 Scholarship Recipients Tom Chen Scholarship for Nutrition, Dietetics & Food Science

Dr. Tungshan "Tom" Chen was a professor in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department and the founding director of the Marilyn Magaram Center for Food Science, Nutrition and Dietetics. Marilyn Magaram met Dr. Chen while she was a master's student and considered him a great mentor and friend. Unfortunately, Marilyn's life was cut short. AS a tribute to her, Phillip Magaram, Marilyn's husband, and his family dedicated the center in honor of her memory. Tom was a large influence in seeing the center transform from concept to reality after it opened in 1991. This scholarship is awarded to a full-time student and member of the Student Dietetic and Food Science Association (SDFSA) who is actively involved in programs and service shosted by the Marilyn Magaram Center.

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In Loving Memory

Professor Kyriakos Pontikis, Ph.D.

Interior Design



Four years ago, we lost one of our dearest colleagues, Dr. Kyriakos Pontikis, professor of Interior Design at CSUN. He received his B. Arch. From Oklahoma State University and his M. Arch. And Ph.D. degrees from University of California, Berkley. From his association with his teacher and mentor at UC Berkley, the renowned Christopher Alexander, Kyriakos developed his own conceptual

framework for "Eco-Humane Design", which unifies ecological design with humane design in an effort to create livable and sustainable communities and building environments, aesthetics, and sustainable living.

During his tenure here at CSUN a professor, Kyriakos was committed to the value of sustainability education, served as an active member of the university's Sustainability Curriculum Committee (2010-2012), and led the College of Health and Human Development's Sustainability Committee. He assisted with the development and implementation of the Minor in Sustainability, which began in 2011 and was a significant step in strengthening the sustainability efforts on our campus. He taught several sustainability related upper-division courses in the Family and Consumer Sciences Department. He worked closely with CSUN's architect office to give his FCS students the experience of incorporating green design concepts and principles into the design of the USU Wellness Center and other buildings on campus. Through coursework and research grants, he engaged students in community service-learning projects and provided design services to various public and private school in Los Angeles. He founded CSUN's Chapter of Fabitat for Humanity and worked with disadvantaged communities through local organizations such as MEND and Pacoima Beautiful. He was true ambassador for advancing sustainability at CSUN and in the community and providing students with meaningful learning experiences.

Kyriakos was a mentor to many students and a dear friend to us all. He is greatly missed by all who knew him.

In Loving Memory

Professor Allen Martin, Ph.D.

Consumer Affairs



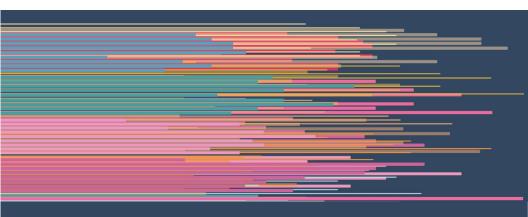
Dr. Allen Martin served as Professor and Chair of the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at CSUN. Allen received his bachelor and master degrees from Virginia Tech University and his Doctorate from Ohio State University.

He was a man of action who put his values into hihs work. Allen, a gift organizer, easily recognized

people's strengths, bringing them together for successful collaborations. Allen was Director of the Consumer Resource Center for nearly fifteen years. Under his leadership, students provided consumer and financial education to the local community. Over his professional career, Allen held multiple offices in the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals, the American Council on Consumer Interest, and the Association of Financial Counseling and Planning Educators. He was proud of his appointments by both the California Governors, Gary Davis and Arnold Schwarzenegger, to the Commission on California Earthquake Authority. Most recently, Allen served as president of the Los Angeles District of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences and had held multiple state and national offices within the organization.

An author of many journal articles and presentations, Allen served on the editorial board for the Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences. He also served as treasurer for the Council of Administrators for Family and Consumer Sciences—deeply involved in university faculty governance. He served as the faculty rights chair of the California Faculty Association and was skillful in negotiations between administrative and faculty. Across campus and through the California State University system, there are many who consider Allen a good friend because he cared about them and defended them.

"Allen was a beloved faculty member who mentored hundreds of students through his teaching and man professional contacts, "said retired CSUN Professor, Alyce Akers, who preceded Martin as chair of the FCS department. "Allen led a life of service to others fueled by his tenacious optimism, affability, and tremendous energy. He will be terribly missed."



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