

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY AND BIOCHEMISTRY
SANDRA L. JEWETT SCHOLARSHIP IN BIOCHEMISTRY

FALL

AWARD CRITERIA

- Frequency of award:** Annually in fall.
- Award amount:** \$1,000. Awardees must have a FAFSA on file and a CSUN Financial Aid application. The Financial Aid Office will calculate the amount that each awardee is eligible to receive.
- Eligibility:** Classified graduate students enrolled in the MS Biochemistry program.
- Submission deadline:** 10:00 am on the first Friday of December
- Selection criteria:** The fall award is for a graduate student in biochemistry student who will be continuing in the M.S. program for the duration of the year with a demonstrated need for financial assistance. Monies can be used for CSUN expenses such as tuition fees, text books, graduation filing fees, travel to scientific meetings to present a talk or poster, or research supplies.
- Award Background:** Sandra L. Jewett, Ph.D., began her CSUN career as Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry in 1997. An award-winning researcher and scholar, Dr. Jewett received the 1997 Sigma Xi George Lefevre Research Award, for the paper titled, "A New Look at a Time-Worn System: Oxidation of CuZn- SOD by Hydrogen Peroxide," published in the Free Radical Biology and Medicine. The culmination of her work with students was featured at an annual meeting of the Oxygen Society with a poster on the "Effect of DMPO and Ar on the Oxidation of Superoxide Dismutase." Since retiring from CSUN as Professor Emerita in 2003, Dr. Jewett has become a prize-winning quilter and was honored by the San Fernando Valley Quilting Association with the Dorothea London Award.
- The College of Science and Mathematics is grateful to be the beneficiary of three scholarships established by Dr. Jewett in her name and that of her late husband, Dr. Peter W. Weigand. They are: the Sandra L. Jewett Scholarship in Biochemistry; the Weigand-Jewett Family Trust Outstanding Senior in Biochemistry; and the Peter W. Weigand Memorial Scholarships in Geochemistry.
- Application Process:** Follow instructions on application cover sheet.
- Selection Process:** Nomination packets should be forwarded to the Chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry's Student Awards Committee and must include: (1) an unofficial transcript, (2) a preliminary abstract for your thesis, and (3) a cover letter summarizing your need for financial aid. The Student Awards and Graduate Committees will establish (a) date(s) by which the awardees must be selected and the decision made regarding the recipient for the scholarship.

Award Notification: The Department Chair sends an award letter to the recipients and arranges for the certificate to be sent to them or hand-delivered at the Department's Awards Ceremony near the time of spring Commencement. The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry confirms the financial aid eligibility of the awardees and arranges to send the eligible award amount to the recipients. The awardee will not receive the monetary award until a thank-you letter to the donor has been submitted to the College's Director of Development.