

# Nayereh & Mahnaz Tohidi Scholarship Endowment

## Gender & Women's Studies



### About the Scholarship

The Nayereh & Mahnaz Tohidi Scholarship Endowment was established by GWS Professor Emeritus Nayereh Tohidi and her spouse, Kazem Alamdari, retired Professor of Sociology, both tireless defenders of human and women's rights. The endowment is in honor of Dr. Mahnaz Tohidi, a dedicated physician whose life was cut short due to the repressive situation in her home country, Iran.

The amount awarded for this scholarship is \$1000. Students interested in the Nayereh & Mahnaz Tohidi Scholarship must submit a completed application form and an essay or video on a designated topic. The essay or video topic will reflect and be relevant to the human/women's rights and general societal climate and prevailing issues in gender and women's studies.

### ELIGIBILITY

- Any CSUN student in the college of Humanities or Social & Behavioral Sciences who has a gender perspective and is majoring or minoring in the fields of studies that stress gender and sexuality dimensions
- A senior or a junior during the current academic year
- Minimum 3.0 GPA

### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Students interested in the Nayereh & Mahnaz Tohidi Scholarship must submit a completed application form and an essay.
- Content and Length of Essay: Students submit a 600-800 word essay, to the GWS Department Office on the designated topic of that year as announced on the GWS website.

This year's designated topic is: **Many Americans still do not know about the "Universal Declaration of Human Rights," endorsed by all member states of the United Nations. What is this global convention and why is it important for us to be aware and vigilant about protection of our human rights?**

Materials should be emailed to [florence.kyomugisha@csun.edu](mailto:florence.kyomugisha@csun.edu)

**NAYEREH & MAHNAZ TOHIDI SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
FORM  
APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Current CSUN status (circle one): First Year      Second Year      Junior      Senior

Total number of college units completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach an essay of words. You may include information about financial need in your essay.

This award is open to Juniors and Seniors who are currently majors/minors in the Gender and Women's Studies Department.

**Signature of applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please email all materials by **12 p.m. on** to the Chair of GWS:

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Jerome Richfield 340F or email to  
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