

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD ADDITIONAL ASI SCHOLARSHIPS IN SPRING AND FALL 2025

Sponsor: Samantha Ngo **Co-Sponsor:** Suzette Morales

WHEREAS, the Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization that operates as an auxiliary organization of California State University, Fullerton; and

WHEREAS, ASI is governed by ASI Board of Directors, sets policy for the organization, approves all funding allocations to programs and services, and advocates on behalf of student interests on committees and boards; and

WHEREAS, ASI's mission is to provide students and campus community members with important social, cultural, and recreational opportunities as well as a wide range of programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the ASI Policy Concerning ASI Scholarships outlines the guidelines, eligibility, disbursement, and establishment of scholarships provided by ASI, including which scholarships are offered in the fall and spring semesters¹; and

WHEREAS, the Adult Re-Entry Scholarship was established by ASI in spring 2000 to acknowledge and support the adult re-entry students of Cal State Fullerton each fall and spring semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the Formerly Incarcerated Students Scholarship was established by ASI in spring 2019 to acknowledge and support formerly incarcerated students of Cal State Fullerton each fall and spring semester¹ above; and

WHEREAS, the Graduate Student Scholarship was established by ASI in spring 2000 to acknowledge and support the graduate students of Cal State Fullerton each fall and spring semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the Harvey McKee Student Scholarship was established in spring 2004 in recognition of Mr. McKee and his 34 years of contributions to ASI and the Cal State Fullerton community, which supports students each fall and spring semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the International Students Scholarship was established by the ASI Board of Directors in spring 2021 to acknowledge and support international students of Cal State

¹ https://asi.fullerton.edu/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Policy-Concering-Scholarships.pdf

Fullerton each fall and spring semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the Kyle O'Brien Memorial Scholarship was established in fall 1997 in honor of ASI student leader and athlete, Kyle S. O'Brien, due to his outstanding service and representation of Cal State Fullerton, which supports students each fall semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the William G. Pollock Scholarship was established in fall 1997 to honor Mr. Pollock's long-standing contributions to Cal State Fullerton and ASI during his 30 years of service, which supports students each fall semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the William D. Puzo Memorial Scholarship was established in in fall 1996 in the memory of dedicated Cal State Fullerton professor, William D. Puzo, and all the support he provided to ASI and its student leadership, which supports students each fall semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the Student-Parent Scholarship was established by ASI in spring 2000 to acknowledge and support the students at Cal State Fullerton each fall and spring semester who are parents of one of more dependent children¹; and

WHEREAS, the Undocumented and DACA Students Scholarship was established by ASI in spring 2017 and expanded by the ASI Board of Directors in spring 2020 to acknowledge and support undocumented or AB 540 students of Cal State Fullerton each fall and spring semester¹ 3; and

WHEREAS, the Milton A. Gordon Memorial Scholarship was established by ASI in fall 2023 in honor of Dr. Milton Gordon, the fourth president of California State University, Fullerton (1990-2012) for his 22 years of service and to support the students at Cal State Fullerton, which supports students each spring semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the Carol Burke Memorial Scholarship was established in the spring of 2000 in memory of Ms. Burke a CSUF alumni, former ASI staff member, and three-time, All-American basketball player at Cal Poly Pomona and to support the students at Cal State Fullerton, which supports students each spring semester¹; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia McGarvey Memorial Scholarship was established by ASI in spring 1994 in memory of Ms. McGarvey a longtime supporter of Cal State Fullerton, Associated Students, and the student body and to support the students at Cal State Fullerton, which supports students each spring semester¹; and

WHEREAS, ASI allocates funds through the annual budget process utilizing the Associated Student Body Fee, and accepts donations to award scholarships to the student body; and

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³ https://asi.fullerton.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/A-Resolution-in-Support-of-Expanding-Financial-Assistance-to-Undocumented-Students.pdf

WHEREAS, ASI works collaboratively with the university offices of Financial Aid, Student Business Services, and Scholarships throughout each academic year to award ASI Scholarships and Student Leadership Awards; and

WHEREAS, routine reconciliation of the fund balance for both ASI Scholarships and Student Leadership Awards funding at the end of the 2022-2023 fiscal year resulted in an underutilized balance in the amount of \$86,976; and

WHEREAS, the ASI & Titan Shops Book Voucher program was established in 1995 to support \$250 worth of books and course materials for 35 students each fall and spring semester. The program was based on timely submission of academic resources/book orders. As faculty submitted their orders, Titan Shops would track and allocate a portion of the savings to ASI to award to students as part of ASI scholarships¹; and

WHEREAS, in fall of 2019 the process for awarding the Titan Shops Book Voucher program changed and the ASI and Titan Shops Book Scholarship program was revised to allow credits to 45 awarded students and the additional funds allocated to ASI from Titan Shops ceased. The termination of the earlier program resulted in an unused fund balance of \$24,983; and

WHEREAS, the total unused scholarship funds available for a one-time award to students is \$86,976 and \$24,983 totaling \$111,959; and

WHEREAS, ASI received 967 ASI Scholarship applications in the 2023-2024 academic year, which was an increase of 748 applications from the prior year; and

WHEREAS, the 2024-2029 Fullerton Forward Strategic Plan includes Goal 2.3 to "Revitalize financial and basic needs support to enhance student success" and Goal 4.2 to "Enhance financial capacity, budgetary accountability, and philanthropic investment" therefore, let it be

RESOLVED, ASI will designate the surplus fund amounts of \$111,000 on a one-time basis to the ASI Scholarships program awarding \$55,000 during the spring 2025 and \$56,000 fall 2025 semesters from the pool of fall 2024 semester applicants and the spring 2025 pool of applicants; and let it be further

RESOLVED, ASI will continue its fiscal responsibility to the student body to ensure funds are utilized for their intended budgeted purpose with continued high standard reconciliation, auditing, and reporting practices; and

RESOLVED, ASI will continue to examine ways to provide financial support and wellness to the student body in the future; and let it be finally

⁴ https://planning.fullerton.edu/

RESOLVED, that this Resolution be distributed to the ASI Executive Director, Cal State Fullerton Scholarships Office, Cal State Fullerton Office of Student Business Services (SBS), and applicable departments and staff.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students Inc., California State University, Fullerton on the twenty-second day of October in the year two thousand and twenty-four.

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