

Teacher Education Grant & Distinguished Leadership Scholarship

Criteria for the award:

- Acceptance to classified standing in the Teacher Education Program.
- Dedication and commitment to quality scholarship in academic work demonstrated by undergraduate grade point average.
- Evidence of promise to make a positive contribution to schools and schooling in a way that is a credit to FPU demonstrated by the admissions interview, application Reference Statements, and quality of experiences with youth.
- Evidence of promise to fill a need area in the field of education demonstrated by field, level and/or credential sought.
- Financial need demonstrated by a personal statement of need. Preference is given to students who have completed a current FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), available in Student Financial Services or online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>.
- *All application requirements must be met by the deadlines stated below.*

In addition to the above criteria, to be considered for the Distinguished Leadership Scholarship:

- Proven leadership, especially with children and youth, with a mature and insightful perspective of what it means to be a leader in the field of education.

Primary decision-making criteria for the grant and scholarship award include, but are not limited to:

1. academic promise and potential for success in teaching and leadership
2. contribution to diversity within the program
3. financial need

Deadlines

To be considered for the Teacher Education Grant and/or Distinguished Leadership Scholarship, applicants *must complete all application requirements* by the deadline for the semester in which they wish to apply:

July 15th for fall semester

November 15th for the spring semester

March 15th for summer semester



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Name _____ FPU ID Number _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Anticipated date for beginning coursework _____ Undergraduate GPA _____

When do you plan to complete your coursework? _____

I will be a candidate for:

- Preliminary Multiple Subject Credential
- Preliminary Subject Matter Credential in the field of _____

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- Acceptance to classified standing in the Teacher Education Program.
- To demonstrate financial need and apply for other available financial aid, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) which is available in Student Financial Services or online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Please attach the following items with this page as the cover sheet of your application. Complete applications should be submitted to the Dean's office of School of Education.

- A typed response to the questions below:
 1. List experiences you have had with youth and children.
For each item listed, provide a description of your responsibilities and activities and the length of the experience.
 2. List your professional work experiences.
For each item listed, provide a sentence description of your responsibilities and activities and the length of the experience.
 3. List coursework in which you plan to enroll in the upcoming semesters.
 4. A statement of your financial need. The Student Financial Services Office will provide the grant committee with your financial need information. Preference is given to those who have completed a current FAFSA. Note: holding a job typically compromises the quality of time a teacher candidate can give to the program. You may wish to include in your statement whether or not you think you will need to work while in the program, and, if so, the hours and schedule you feel will be necessary to meet your financial needs.
Please provide a statement of any additional financial information or other circumstances affecting you that may be helpful to the committee in their decision-making.
 5. To be considered for the Distinguished Leadership Scholarship please list leadership experiences you have had. These may include some of those listed for item #1 above, but should not be limited to experiences with youth and children. For each new item you list, provide a sentence description of your responsibilities and activities. Write a one page paper in which you reflect on leadership within educational communities.
- Reference Statement from a FPU Faculty member or your Advisor.
- Reference Statement from a supervisor or other person who has observed you in a *professional* environment or role.

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Reference Statement

The student named below has applied for a Teacher Education Grant and/or Distinguished Leadership Scholarship to complete the Teacher Education Program at Fresno Pacific University. Please provide a candid evaluation of this person as a future educational leader. If you have observed or supervised this person in a leadership role with children and youth, share your observation of this person as a leader of children and youth.

Applicant's Name _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

How well do you know this applicant? Not very well Well Very well

In what capacity do you know this student? _____

Please comment on the student's potential for leadership in their field based on what you have observed about this student in and outside of the classroom or workplace _____

Please comment on how, or to what extent, this student brings diversity to the program, the university as a whole or their chosen professional field _____

Overall recommendation of this student: _____

Additional comments for the grant committee _____

Signature/Title of evaluator _____ Date _____

Thank you for taking the time to complete this reference form.

Please return this Reference Statement to the student in a sealed envelope. The student will submit the Reference Statement (in the sealed envelope) to FPU with the application materials.

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