



Enrique “Kiki” Zuniga Scholarship Application

History of Scholarship & Enrique “Kiki” Zuniga

Enrique “Kiki” Zuniga—whose immigrant parents were from Guanajuato, Mexico—was born and raised in the City of La Habra and is one of thirteen children: eight brothers and four sisters. Prior to Mendez vs. Westminster, which ended segregation in California schools, Kiki attended Wilson School, which was set up for Mexican American children.

Kiki attended Fullerton College before being drafted into the Army in 1961. After his service, he worked as a barber and in construction. However, with the guidance of Joe Lopez (professor at California State University Fullerton), Kiki enrolled in CSUF, where in his first semester as a student, he made the Dean’s List. Motivated by the Chicano Movement, he founded and served as the first M.E.Ch.A President at CSUF. In this role, Kiki visited local barrios to motivate Chicano youth to pursue higher education.

After earning his Bachelor’s degree at CSUF, he attended UC Santa Cruz, where he earned a K-12 Bilingual Teaching Credential. He then returned to CSUF to complete his Master’s degree in Library Science. Upon earning his Master’s degree, he was hired as a tenure-tracked full-time counselor at Fullerton College with one condition: he needed to earn a Master’s degree in counseling, which he would eventually receive from Chapman University. Making Fullerton College history, he was the college’s first full-time tenured-tracked Chicano counselor.

Kiki served as a counselor at Fullerton College for twenty-five years. During his tenure, he played a pivotal role in changing the campus climate relative to serving underrepresented and low-income students. He was known as the counselor who reached out to non-traditional students to motivate and convince them to pursue their goals for a brighter future. He was dedicated to helping students and believed in the power of education to change lives. He was famously known for “walking the quad” and making sure his students were in class.

When Mr. Zuniga retired, Fullerton lost one of its pillars. This scholarship is dedicated to him for his significant accomplishments and his love for guiding non-traditional students to academic success.

Scholarship Criteria: A scholarship review committee will be judging all complete applications and will award scholarship amounts based on scores in the following categories that will be based on your essay. The committee will award 3 scholarships; 1- SCE Student in the amount of \$300, 1 – Cypress student in the amount of \$300 and 1- Fullerton Student in the amount of \$300

- Student must have minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.0
- Student must have completed at least 9 units and currently enrolled in at least 6 units.
- Student must be enrolled in Fullerton College or Cypress College with the goal of transferring to a 4-year University.
- Students enrolled in the School of Continuing Education must have a goal of attending Cypress College or Fullerton College.
- Student must clearly state their commitment to higher education
- Provide example of the level of commitment to their community
 - Amount of community/volunteer hours served
 - Include any information that demonstrates your leadership roles/experience

Award Date

Scholarship recipients must be available to attend the Cypress College Scholarship Tea on Monday May 22, 2017 at 1PM

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

College Major: _____

Student ID Number: @ _____ Date of Birth: _____

EDUCATION INFORMATION

Which campus do you attend (please check all that apply):

Cypress College Fullerton College School of Continuing Education

How many units are you currently enrolled? _____ What is your current GPA? _____

ESSAY QUESTIONS

Your essay must be 2-3 pages: typed, double spaced and written in English. Your essay must be attached to your scholarship application at the time of submission. You must answer the following prompts

1. Please share any experiences where you may have needed help or support from the community and you did or did not receive the assistance.
2. Please describe any experience in which you have helped your community such as volunteer work, internships and employment or participation in student organizations and activities.
3. What are your educational & career goals?
4. Once you have completed your education, how do you envision yourself addressing issues/needs of your community?

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Each applicant must submit one letter of recommendation, on official letterhead or professional business letter which includes the following:

- Recommender's relationship to the applicant including engagement of time acquainted and in what capacity.
- Applicant's goals/aspirations/strengths/weaknesses.
- Examples of applicant's community/educational/leadership involvement.
- Assessment of the applicant's overall potential to succeed in college.

TRANSCRIPTS

All students must provide a copy of your unofficial transcripts from all SCE, Cypress and/or Fullerton must be provided along with a copy of your Spring 2015 class schedule to verify enrollment. Your application will be considered incomplete if either document is missing.

**Please scan and e-mail your complete application by the deadline date Thursday, March 31 2017 by 5pm
lfsaboardmembers@gmail.com**

Disclaimer & Signature

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the information that I have submitted above will be verified and evaluated accordingly.

Applicant's Signature

Date