

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT STUDIES DEPARTMENT ANNUAL STUDENT AWARD

PAM OLIVER LIFELONG LEARNER AWARD

Award Description

This award celebrates a Lifelong Learner who has demonstrated remarkable dedication and commitment to personal and professional growth. The recipient will be someone who has taken a break in their formal educational journey and comes back to college or starts college after pursuing other goals. The recipient will also have shown perseverance and a passion for learning through their academic achievements and involvement in activities that enrich their educational experience, contributing positively to the university or larger community (\$500-\$750 subject to available funding).

The award recipient will be recognized at the CAS Celebration of Achievement.

How to Apply

1. Save the application as (PDF): Your Last Name_Oliver_Award
2. Email completed application to casawards@fullerton.edu. Email subject line: Your Last Name_Oliver_Award

Deadline to apply is February 1st, 2026

Application

Your Name: CWID:
Telephone: Email:
Address:
Class Level: (Bold selection) Freshman/Sophomore Junior Senior

I. Narrative

Write a narrative (3 pages, double-spaced maximum) that describes your perseverance and passion for learning, academic achievements, and involvement in enrichment activities after coming back or starting college after taking a break from your formal educational journey. Also describe the break from your educational journey. For example, did you take a break to pursue employment, to raise a family, or for some other reason? Please focus on recent accomplishments or activities.

Your written narrative is a very important component of your application. When writing your narrative, please:

- use the narrative form on the next page;
- thoughtfully and explicitly address the criteria outlined in the award;
- make sure that all pertinent information is included within the narrative;
- type the narrative in 12pt font and ensure that it is free of spelling, grammatical and structural errors.

II. Letter of Reference

Provide the name of the individual you have asked to submit a reference:

Email the Letter of Recommendation Form for this award to your recommender. They will email the form to the CAS Department. The recommender should be a person who can speak to your qualifications for the award to which you are applying. The recommender can be an instructor, employer, or mentor. Please allow your recommender at least 2 weeks to complete your recommendation.

Written Narrative
(Application form is not included in the 3-page maximum.)

Your Name: _____

Begin your narrative below