

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT STUDIES DEPARTMENT ANNUAL STUDENT AWARD

OUTSTANDING SENIOR CHILD AND ADOLESCENT STUDIES STUDENT

Award Description

This award recognizes an outstanding senior Child and Adolescent Studies major who exemplifies the highest standards of scholarship, service to the community and/or university, and commitment to professional development. This award is restricted to Child and Adolescent Studies majors who are seniors and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.60. This award includes a framed certificate and a (\$500-\$750 subject to available funding) award.

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

How to Apply

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

Deadline to apply is February 1st, 2026

Application

Your Name:

CWID:

Telephone:

Email:

Address:

I. Your Overall Grade Point Average:

(A minimum of a 3.6 overall GPA is required for consideration.)

II. Copy of your unofficial transcript to verify your overall grade point average.

(Your unofficial transcript can be found in your student portal in the Student Center.)

III. Narrative

Write a narrative (3 pages, double-spaced maximum) discussing the three following topics. Please focus on recent accomplishments.

1. Academic Achievements

Provide an overview of your academic accomplishments.

2. Service to the Community and/or University

Respond to one or both of the following categories, as applicable:

- a. Indicate and describe any voluntary or paid work you have completed in service of the community (Note: CAS practicum courses do not count unless you have gone above and beyond the course requirements.). Include a description of the type of service, whether paid or voluntary, length and dates of service, agency, and, if applicable, a contact person, title, and telephone number.
- b. Indicate and describe any voluntary or paid work you have completed in service of the University, College of Health and Human Development, or Department of Child and

Adolescent Studies. Include description of the activity or service, length and dates of service, and, if applicable, a contact person, title, and telephone number.

3. Commitment to Professional Development

Indicate activities you have participated in that contribute to your educational or professional growth, such as workshops, conferences, etc. Describe how participation in these activities has influenced your understanding of child/adolescent development and/or your professional development.

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.

IV. Letter of Reference

Provide the name of the CSUF faculty 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 must be a CSUF faculty member. 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