2024-2025 Department of Child and Adolescent Studies Awards

The CAS awards program recognizes CAS majors for noteworthy and commendable scholarly, service, and/or creative accomplishments related to children, adolescents, and families. All CAS awards are merit-based. Certificates are presented to the winners at the annual CAS Celebration of Achievement in May. Award money may come in the form of a check directly to the student or be credited toward the student's CSUF account for tuition, depending on their financial aid and enrollment status in fall.

Application Deadline: February 28, 2025

Outstanding Lower Division Child and Adolescent Studies Student

This award recognizes the outstanding freshman or sophomore major in Child and Adolescent Studies (59 or fewer units) who exemplifies the highest standards of scholarship, service to the community and/or university, and commitment to professional development. Minimum of a 3.60 overall GPA required to apply for award. (\$300)

Outstanding Junior Child and Adolescent Studies Student

This award recognizes the outstanding junior-level major in Child and Adolescent Studies (60-89 units) who exemplifies the highest standards of scholarship, service to the community and /or university, and commitment to professional development. Minimum of a 3.60 overall GPA required to apply for award. (\$300)

The James Gilmore Outstanding Senior Child and Adolescent Studies Student

This award recognizes the outstanding senior-level major in Child and Adolescent Studies (90 or more units) who exemplifies the highest standards of scholarship, service to the community and /or university, and commitment to professional development. Minimum of a 3.60 overall GPA required to apply for award. (\$300)

Remarkable Dedication to Children, Adolescents, and/or Families

This award recognizes a Child and Adolescent Studies major who has demonstrated remarkable dedication to improving the lives of children, adolescents, and /or families by their actions based on knowledge derived from CAS coursework and/or scientific research. The award may be for either volunteer efforts or dedication above the required level in paid employment. (\$300)

The Guillian Daguplo Service to Department and University Award

Guillian Daguplo was a beloved member of the Child and Adolescent Studies Student Association (CASSA) and served on the Executive Board for two years. He was dedicated to serving the children and families in our local community, went above and beyond to help his fellow board members, brought innovation to his roles, and was always a positive light. During his time on the CASSA Executive Board, Guil dedicated hundreds of hours to volunteering in the community, serving on the CASSA board, serving the CAS department, and supporting his fellow Executive Board members. In honor of Guil, this award recognizes volunteer efforts toward the Child and Adolescent Studies Department and/or the University. It is open to current Child and Adolescent Studies majors in any class standing, and only unpaid work will be considered. (\$300)

The Judith V. Ramirez Early Childhood Education Award

This award recognizes a Child and Adolescent Studies major who has demonstrated special dedication and commitment to improving the quality of services for children ages birth to 5 years through work activities and membership in professional organizations committed to the wellbeing of young children. Funds for this award are provided by the Titan Shops Textbook Requisition Rewards Program. (\$300).

The Robert B. McLaren Award in Children's Moral Development

This award distinguishes a Child and Adolescent Studies major who made contributions in scholarship or practice related to the moral education or character development of children and/or adolescents. This is demonstrated through (1) a relevant scholarly and creative work, and/or (2) the implementation of a special program that fosters moral education or character development among children in an educational, community, and/or religious setting. (\$300)

The Althea B. McLaren Award for the Arts in Child Development

This award recognizes a Child and Adolescent Studies major's creative implementation of art instruction and/or production in working with children and youth. (\$300)

The Kimberly Perkins Award for Dedication to Academic Excellence

This award recognizes dedication to academic excellence and continued commitment to personal and professional development in challenging circumstances. Child and Adolescent Studies majors may self-nominate or be nominated by Child and Adolescent Studies faculty or other CAS classmates who are aware of the persistence and dedication the nominee has shown to his or her personal and academic development despite circumstances that might stand in the way of accomplishment. (\$2500)

University scholarship applications will NOT be accepted for these awards. You must complete the specific CAS application for each award, available at https://hhd.fullerton.edu/cas/current-student/cas-awards/index.html

Deadline to apply is Friday, February 28th, 2025.

Refer to CSUF 2024-2025 Scholarships Awards for information on other relevant awards.