

Wells Fargo Teacher Education Scholarship

One \$5000 scholarship available to qualified

AWARD CRITERIA

Financial need as defined by FAFSA
Academic performance
Commitment to teaching

PURPOSE:

- To financially assist full-time (at least 12 units) undergraduate students who are entering the teaching profession
- To contribute to a diverse workforce of teachers in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties.

ELIGIBILITY:

Applicants must be one of the following:

- High school senior who wishes to pursue a career in teaching at California State University, Northridge through either the Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP), Freshman Option to become an elementary or special education teacher, or the Four-Year Integrated (FYI) Program to become a secondary teacher in English or Mathematics.
- Community college student who wishes to pursue a career in teaching at CSUN through either the Integrated Teacher Education Program, (ITEP), Junior Option to become an elementary or special education teacher, or the Junior-Year Integrated (JYI) program or become a secondary teacher in English or mathematics.
- CSUN sophomore who wishes to pursue a career in teaching through either the Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP), Junior Option to become an elementary or special education teacher, or the Junior-Year Integrated (JYI) Program to become a secondary teacher in English or mathematics.
- Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0
- Applicant resides in either Los Angeles County or Ventura County.

- Financial need as determined by Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- U.S. Citizen

Directions for Applying:

- ***Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the Financial Aid Office at CSUN no later than February 23.***
http://federalstudentaid.ed.gov/fafsa/fafsa_options.html
- Submit the Application for the Wells Fargo Teacher Education Scholarship to the Dean's Office in the Michael D. Eisner College of Education (ED3121) at CSUN no later than March 5, including the following:
 - Completed application form
 - Copies of transcripts from high school if you are a high school senior or from all colleges attended if you are a community college student or a CSUN sophomore.
 - Two letters of recommendation on official letterhead. Select persons who know you well enough to be able to evaluate your commitment and potential success in the field of education. At least one letter should be from a faculty member. No letters from family members will be accepted. Submit letters of recommendation with your application in a sealed envelope.
 - Typed personal essay (approximately 250 words) in which you describe a challenge, triumph, personal relationship or other life experience that has impacted your decision to become a professional educator.
- Be available during the end of March for a personal interview.

SELECTION PROCEDURES:

- A Selection Committee will review all applications
- Oral interviews may be requested from qualified candidates after initial screening by the Selection Committee.
- Funds will be awarded in May for assistance with 2010/2011 tuition.

Applicants are reviewed without regard to race, religion, gender, or sexual orientation.

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Volunteer Experience: Begin with most recent

Organization/Institution	Responsibilities	Dates (from:to)

List membership, or offices held in student, community, or other organizations:

List honors or awards received:

If you have any additional pertinent information about yourself, that would assist the Selection Committee in choosing recipients for the Wells Fargo Teacher Education Scholarship, please feel free to provide it in the space below.

Essay: Response must be well written, approximately 250 words, and typed on a separate sheet.

Describe a challenge, triumph, personal relationship or other life experience that has impacted your decision to become a professional educator.

Certification and Authorization Release:

I certify that the information I have provided in my scholarship application packet is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the CSUN Financial Aid Office to release information regarding my financial aid file to the Dean's Office of the Michael D. Eisner College of Education.

Signature _____ Date _____

*Wells Fargo Teacher Education Scholarships are funded by Wells Fargo Bank. The purpose of the scholarship is to financially assist undergraduate students at California State University, Northridge who are entering the teaching profession and to contribute to a diverse workforce of teachers in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties.

ALL APPLICATION MATERIAL MUST BE SUBMITTED TO ED 3121, THE DEAN'S OFFICE, MICHAEL D. EISNER COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, BY 5:00 pm MARCH 5.