



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 reviewing all complete applications and will award scholarship amounts based on the essay and the categories below. **The committee will award at least three \$300 scholarships each to one Cypress student, one Fullerton Student and one NOCE Student. Students are only eligible for one scholarship.**

- 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 (at FC and/or CC).
- Students enrolled in Fullerton College or Cypress College must have the goal of transferring to a 4-year University.
- Students enrolled in the North Orange 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 the Latino community.
 - Amount of community/volunteer hours served
 - Include any information that demonstrates your leadership roles/experience

Award Dates

Scholarship recipients will be notified via email by Friday, April 17, 2020 and must be available to attend the: Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Thursday, May 14, 2020 at TBD at Cypress College

Please scan & e-mail your typed application packet by the deadline date of Monday, April 06, 2020 by 5pm to:
lfsa@nocccd.edu Subject: Kiki Scholarship / Your Campus Name

- Scan, do not send pictures of your documents
- Make sure your application and letter of recommendation are attached

If not able to scan and e-mail, submit packet in person to the following LFS&A representatives by the above deadline:

- Cypress College (Humanities Building 248) c/o Dr. Therese Mosqueda-Ponce
- Fullerton College (2000 Building/EOPS Office) c/o Juan Pablo “JP” Gonzalez
- NOCE Anaheim campus (Counseling and Student Services Dept. Room 215) c/o Raquel Murillo

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
Student ID Number: @ _____ Date of Birth: _____
Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____
E-mail: _____ College Major: _____

EDUCATION INFORMATION

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

Cypress College Fullerton College North Orange Continuing Education

How many units are you currently enrolled in (except NOCE)? _____ What is your current cumulative GPA (except NOCE)? _____

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. Please answer all the questions below with details.

1. Please explain any experience in which you have helped the Latino community such as volunteer work, internships and employment and/or participation in diverse student organizations and activities.
2. What are your educational & career goals?
3. Once you have completed your education, how do you see yourself giving back to the Latino community?

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION (references will be checked)

Each applicant must submit at least one **letter of recommendation**. (from a teacher/professor, counselor, mentor, supervisor, community service leader or an adult not related to you) There are two options:

1. A printed signed current letter of recommendation on official letterhead or professional business letterhead and/or
2. Send this [Recommendation Link](https://qrgo.page.link/vqU1J) to ask for a recommendation and include your name and campus name

a. Recommendation link: <https://qrgo.page.link/vqU1J>

b. Recommendation QR Code:



The letter must include the following:

- Contact Information: phone and email
- 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 in the Latino community.
- Assessment of the applicant's overall potential to succeed in college.

RELEASE, 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.

I hereby authorize the release of all the foregoing scholarship and transcript information to any organization or individual involved in the selection of scholarship recipients. I also give permission to release my name and photo for publicity purposes.

Applicant's Signature

Date