

AMERICAN STUDIES COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD

APPLICATION

Established in 2023 with a generous donation from recent American Studies alumni Brandon Ruiz, this \$500 award is intended to celebrate undergraduate students who carry American studies' emphasis on engagement and social justice out of the classroom and into the community. The award will be given each spring to a graduating American studies major who has worked collaboratively with a community at or beyond CSUF to address issues affecting the community's well-being. This could include organizing or activism on behalf of a cause with a community or otherwise working to benefit a specific community in meaningful ways.

If you are an undergraduate American Studies major graduating this academic year (fall, spring, or summer), please fill out the information below and attach a letter that describes the community work you have done (for instance, work with campus or student organizations, volunteer efforts, internships, or paid employment). Your letter should note how your work has benefited a specific community (or communities), what motivated you to engage in this work, and how it relates to American Studies classes. You may also note whether and how you plan to continue this or related work after graduating.

Name: _____

CWID: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Semester graduating: _____

Please return this form with your attached letter to the American Studies Department in GH 313 or email them to Sandra Medina (samedina@fullerton.edu) by **March 1**.

Any information you provide will be kept confidential.