

CHICANO/LATINO FACULTY & STAFF ASSOCIATION  
SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY

**DR. ERNESTO GALARZA SCHOLARSHIP  
2009-2010 APPLICATION**

**Deadline: April 3, 8:30 a.m.**

The Chicano/Latino Faculty and Staff Association (CLFSA) invites applications for the annual Dr. Ernesto Galarza Scholarship. Scholarships are for students with a demonstrated commitment to the Chicano/Latino community in the tradition of Dr. Galarza. CLFSA provides these scholarships in recognition of the economic barriers experienced by students pursuing higher education. **Recipients will be recognized at the Dr. Ernesto Galarza Symposium May 6, 2009 6:00-8:00 p.m., Cultural Heritage Center, King Library, San José State University.**

This year we are proud to announce that scholarships will be available to continuing SJSU students and to students who have been accepted to SJSU and will transfer from SJCC, Evergreen Community College or NHU in Fall 2009.

**Who may apply:** Undergraduate continuing SJSU students with a minimum of two semesters; continuing Graduate and Credential Students, and Transfer Students from SJCC, EVC, and NHU accepted to SJSU. Previous recipients may apply with a new application.

Graduate students with less than two completed semesters at SJSU must submit a copy of their undergraduate transcripts.

Must meet the following criteria:

- Cumulative G.P.A.:  
2.5 Undergraduate, Post Baccalaureates, and transfer students  
3.0 Graduate and Credential students.
- A demonstrated involvement and active participation in the Chicano/Latino community at large, or in Chicano/Latino organizations.
- Use Dr. Ernesto Galarza's scholarship in the application essay.
- Be enrolled at SJSU Fall 2009 and Spring 2010 as full time students.

Finalists must be available April 17, 2008 for an interview and agree to be photographed.

Scholarship awards will be disbursed for the 2009 – 2010 academic year, pending proof of enrollment at SJSU. The number of awards and amounts are contingent upon funding. Scholarship awards range from \$500 to \$1,500. The Dr. Ernesto Galarza Scholarship application may also automatically qualify you for additional awards from the Chicano/Latino Faculty and Staff Association.

**All materials are due Friday, April 3, 2009 by 8:30 a.m.**

### **Essay Requirements:**

A complete research essay includes the following: 1) Title Page, 2) Abstract, 3) Essay and Bibliography. (5-7 pages)

Include the following points in your essay demonstrating an understanding of Dr. Galarza's scholarly contributions, philosophy, and commitments

- Your present actions and future goals,
- Your involvement in issues faced by the Chicana/o and/or Latina/o community;
- Volunteer, work, or direct action experiences

A personal statement focusing on your family history, your goals, and your involvement in your community. (1-2 pages)

**Note:** All essays and photographs will become the property of CLFSA and may be used for publicity or other relevant materials.

To assist you with the research for your essay:

- The Chicano Center Collection at the King Library, 5<sup>th</sup> floor
- On line resources:  
[http://www.sjlibrary.org/research/special/chc/chicano\\_hist\\_galarzaPubs.htm](http://www.sjlibrary.org/research/special/chc/chicano_hist_galarzaPubs.htm)
- Citing, evaluating information and plagiarism guidelines:  
[www.sjlibrary.org/services/literacy/info\\_comp/citing.htm](http://www.sjlibrary.org/services/literacy/info_comp/citing.htm)

### **Application Process:**

1. Applications must be typed. Include application form, essay and two letters of recommendation from a university professor, advisor, employer, and/or community representative. Letters must be written specifically for this application using official letterhead.
2. Submit a current transcript covering a minimum of two semesters (unofficial copies are acceptable).
3. Submit application materials as PDF files to: [sjsu\\_clfsa@yahoo.com](mailto:sjsu_clfsa@yahoo.com)

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