

Nomination Form for the *Paul DeRuosi Memorial Community Service Scholarship*

Proudly sponsored by the Paul DeRuosi Memorial Community Service Scholarship in memory of Paul DeRuosi, who along with Marc and Marjorie Radin and Dr. John D. Welty shared a dedication for engaging students in service and making our region a better place to live.

Each year, the *Paul DeRuosi Memorial Community Service Scholarship* will provide a single \$1,500 scholarship to an eligible student who exemplifies the commitment to service that Paul championed during his distinguished 31-year career at California State University, Fresno.

In reviewing nominations and selecting a recipient, committee members will use the following criteria.

- 1) Applicants must be a freshman or sophomore, currently enrolled and in good academic standing with the university.
- 2) Candidates should demonstrate a regular commitment to service over the last two or more years. Service efforts should show consistency with respect to any or all of the following: type of service (ie. tutoring/mentoring/youth services, health services, poverty alleviation, etc.); agency where service was provided, the outcome of service (ie. benefiting unemployed persons, or leading others to service) (2x weighted factor).
- 3) In order to qualify for the scholarship that accompanies this award, the recipient must have completed a minimum of 150 hours of service over the previous 12 months (approximately December 2023-December 2024). They must also have completed an *accredited course* that recognizes this service, or take such a course within the next 12 months. This may include credit for the service from a service-learning course, Community Service 1 or 101, internship or any other relevant, credit-bearing coursework. (The Richter Center can assist students in

identifying appropriate courses that can be taken to fulfill this requirement.)

4) The service provided must meet significant need(s) in the community that goes above and beyond any standard internship, scholarship or degree requirements. (2x weighted factor).

5) Service to the Fresno State campus community will not be considered for this award.

Nominations may come from any person, including self-nominations. Nominations must clearly and concisely address the nomination criteria and questions. One nomination per student will be accepted. A selection committee will review nominations and determine the award recipient.

The deadline for nominations is February 7, 2025. To apply, go to <https://bit.ly/DeRuosi25>.

(The online application will include the following.)

Please provide the following information regarding the nominee. With respect to the service activities.

Nominee Name:

Student ID number:

Mailing Address:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Year in School (Must be Freshman or Sophomore):

Major:

How many hours has the nominee completed in the last 12 months? In order to be eligible for the scholarship, the recipient must have completed a minimum of 150 hours of service over the previous 12

months (approximately December 2023-December 2024).

Was the nominee's service compensated in any form?

(Compensation includes pay through work study, a stipend earned as a part of the service activities, the service fulfilled requirements of another scholarship earned, AmeriCorps/VISTA-related compensation, or any other form of payment for the service.) **(Yes or No response only.)**

If you responded "yes" to the question above, please describe the type of compensation and what portion of the service was compensated.

In addition to completing a minimum of 150 hours of service over the previous 12 months, the nominee must also have completed an *accredited course* that recognizes this service, or take such a course within the next 12 months. This may include credit for the service from a service-learning course, Community Service 1 or 101, internship or any other relevant, credit-bearing coursework. Or, if such a course has not been taken, please indicate the nominee's commitment to take such a course within 12 months after receiving the scholarship. Please describe the course(s) taken that meets this requirement or make a statement agreeing to take such a course in the next 12 months.

Approximate number of service hours completed since Freshman year in high school. (Whole number only):

Please provide an overall description of the nominee's community service. This description can include service since Freshman year in high but should also specify the service conducted during the last year. (500 words maximum. 2x weighted scoring.)

Please describe the specific community need(s) addressed by the nominee's service and the impact(s) this service has had on the community. (300 words maximum. 2x weighted scoring.)

The Paul DeRuosi Award recognizes students whose service goes above and beyond standard degree requirements. Please describe how the nominee's service meets this standard. (250 words maximum)

Are there factors regarding this nominee that makes his/her service even more exceptional? This may include personal background, exceptional academic achievement or other factors you believe the committee should know about. (200 words maximum)

If this is not a self-nomination, please provide the following:

Name of the nominator

Nominator's phone number

Nominator's email address