GLENN A. VERGASON SCHOLARSHIP FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

Eligibility: Individuals eligible for the award are persons who desire to obtain an M.Ed. or Ph.D. for teaching or serving those students who have learning and behavior disorders in Special Education. Applicants must meet the entrance requirements of the College of Education & Human Development and the Department of Learning Sciences (LS) at Georgia State University for the degree being pursued. Applicants must be enrolled for each semester of the academic year and must make satisfactory progress toward meeting the degree requirements.

Amount of Scholarship: Applicants pursuing the M.Ed. degree are eligible to receive $1,000 for each academic year for a period of two years. Applicants pursuing the Ph.D. degree are eligible to receive $1,500 for each academic year for a period of two years. The scholarship money will be awarded on a semester basis (fall, spring) beginning fall semester. For each semester, the award will be contingent on the student continuing to meet the academic requirements (grade point average, etc.) of the degree program. The number of scholarships awarded will depend on the availability of funds.

Application Process: In addition to the application materials for admission to the college, applicants must submit the following to be considered for this scholarship:

1) Letter of application for the scholarship.
2) Two letters of recommendation (one from a university or college instructor and one from an employer or work supervisor).
3) A statement which describes the applicant's planned course of study and sources of income to support the plan (i.e., a list of courses to be taken each semester, estimate of costs, and financial support available to complete the degree).

Application Deadline: Completed applications must be submitted to the chair of the LS Department no later than March 15.

Award of Scholarship: The scholarship will be awarded by April 15 for the following academic year, the selection of individuals to receive this scholarship will be made by a committee composed of three faculty members from the LS Department with the department chair serving as an ad hoc member. Membership on the committee will be by department chair appointment for a period of two years. The committee will be responsible for selecting individuals to receive the award and for monitoring their progress towards degree completion (e.g., ensuring enrollment each semester during the academic year, maintenance of grade point average required for the degree program, etc.). Individuals applying for this scholarship also may apply for graduate research assistantships.