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Unique to Cal Poly Pomona, Partners in Education (PIE) is a coalition of academic and community leaders dedicated to supporting future teachers, who are passionate about helping each generation achieve their goals and aspirations. Since 2006, PIE has partnered with Cal Poly Pomona's College of Education and Integrative Studies to support excellence in the preparation of future teachers and to develop community-based programs that strengthen the education of our region's students.

PIE provides fellowships of \$4,000 to help alleviate financial burdens for teacher candidates engaged in full-time clinical practice (student teaching) while also attending evening courses at CPP.

PIE PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

PIE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Many of CPP's teacher candidates need to work while in school. When they learn that the teaching credential program requires 15 weeks in full-time clinical practice (i.e., student teaching) without compensation, suddenly their lifelong dream of becoming a teacher can feel unattainable. Giving up employment often creates an economic hardship for them and those who depend on them. To address this, PIE created a fellowship program that allows teaching candidates to focus on their supervised teaching assignments without worrying about how the bills will be paid. Since the program's inception, PIE has awarded nearly 300 fellowships.

AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Each PIE fellow is paired with a PIE supporter, who serves as an ambassador for them. Ambassadors check in with their fellow several times during the student teaching period – listening, encouraging and advocating for them.

PIE SPONSOR A FUTURE TEACHER AWARDS CEREMONY

This annual ceremony recognizes our new fellowship recipients.



LINDSAY BAUER
PIE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT

I was excited to enroll in clinical practice but very worried about not being able to work and pay my bills while completing it. The security and peace of mind this award has provided has been indescribable, and I'm incredibly grateful.

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EDITH ODIMEGWU
PIE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT

Earning this fellowship was challenging, but the rewards were enormous and incalculable. With the financial support, I was more focused in my studies since clinical practice requires a lot of time and devotion. Additionally. the fellowship allowed me to have more time to plan my lessons and prepare resources that I use in teaching. In fact, I was at peace with myself knowing that I did not have to worry about finances. PIE invested in me so I could do my best to learn what is required for me to be an effective teacher.



GARRETT LARSSON
PIE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT

When I received the PIE
Fellowship, I was able to
quit my job and focus all my
energies on student teaching
– from lesson planning and
preparation to the time spent
with my master teacher. I
am so happy and grateful
to Partners in Education for
making the support available.
Without it, I would not be
where I am today.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

GIVE: Your gift of any amount will benefit our PIE fellowship program. Scan the QR code and select "PIE Sponsor a Future Teacher Scholarship" on the drop down.



VOLUNTEER: Support the next generation of teachers! Volunteer positions include serving on the PIE board, assisting CPP faculty in the selection and support of fellows, raising funds for programs, and assisting fellows with preparing for job interviews.

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