# **Linda Marie Fritschner High Impact Award**

# **Purpose of Award**

The Linda Marie Fritschner High Impact Award supports and celebrates students' involvement in undergraduate research, community-engaged learning, study abroad, internships, and other high impact educational experiences.

#### The Award

Cash awards and/or scholarships of up to \$600 may be granted each year. In special circumstances, higher amounts may be awarded at the discretion of the committee.

## **Eligibility**

- Declared major or minor in Sociology and/or Anthropology.
- Minimum of 45 credits towards graduation of which 30 credits must have been taken at IU South Bend.
- Cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above on a 4-point scale.
- Completion of at least four courses in Sociology and/or Anthropology at IU South Bend with a C- or better.
- Currently enrolled in at least 6 credit hours at IU South Bend.

## **How to Apply**

- Write a 500-word personal statement in which you describe the experience for which you
  are seeking the award. The statement should also describe how you have excelled
  academically, how the experience has or will further your understanding of Sociology or
  Anthropology, and the impact (or potential impact) of the experience on your personal,
  academic, or career goals.
- For completed experiences, include any product that resulted from the experience, such as a research paper, novel data set or visualization, photo essay, video, or podcast.
- For future experiences, include an extra 50-100 words explaining any particular products that you foresee resulting from the experience (see above bullet for examples).
- Submit materials to Dr. David Blouin, Chair of the Department of Sociology & Anthropology, at dblouin@iusb.edu, by December 1 or March 1.

### **Award Criteria**

- Academic excellence (e.g., G.P.A, academic honors)
- Impact of the experience on the understanding and application of sociological or anthropological concepts, or the understanding of either discipline. If the award is sought for a future experience (e.g., study abroad), discuss the potential impact of the experience.
- Impact on future personal, academic, or career goals. If the award is sought for a future experience (e.g., study abroad), discuss the potential impact of the experience.
- Awards for future experiences are contingent upon completion of the proposed experience. Awards may be given in advance to help defray costs, but a return of the award may be requested if the student does not make satisfactory efforts to complete the experience within one calendar year.

Linda Marie Fritschner graduated with honors from the University of California, Davis. She was made a member of Phi Beta Kappa and went on to receive her PhD from UC Davis. Before coming to IU South Bend, Linda taught at UC Davis and at California State University, Sacramento. She has also taught in Saudi Arabia for Indiana University and Aramco and in Malaysia at IU Shah Alam. She has published extensively in the areas of work, occupations, and leisure and in sociology of education. She has a significant body of work on the scholarship of teaching and on the publishing industry. Over her career, Linda secured many grants including a National Science Foundation (NSF) award to establish a computer lab for sociology and anthropology students at IU South Bend and National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) awards to study and do research at the University of Chicago and Yale University. At IU South Bend, Linda has been recognized for her teaching with TERA awards and induction into FACET. Besides her teaching and scholarship, Linda chaired the Department of Sociology and Anthropology from 1990-1998. In 1998-1999, she served as a Chancellor's Fellow and in 1999, she became Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. Currently, she is an Emerita Professor of Sociology.