

# Scholarships and Awards:

The Department of Communicative Disorders administers a number of scholarships and awards open to undergraduate and graduate majors in Communicative Disorders. Funds for these scholarships and awards come from the generosity of our alumni, families of alumni and friends of the Department. We thank them for their support. Recipients are chosen on a competitive basis according to the criteria established for the particular award:

## **Frederic A. Gruber Memorial Scholarship:**

The Frederic A. Gruber Memorial Scholarship honors Dr. Fred Gruber, who earned his Ph.D. in 1997 in the Department of Communicative Disorders and was on the faculty at Lamar University, Beaumont, Texas, at the time of his untimely death in April, 1999. This scholarship honors Fred's commitment to the highest standards of academic excellence, his love of teaching, and his outstanding research and service contributions to his profession.

**Eligibility criteria:** Graduate student in the Department of Communicative Disorders who displays a commitment to excellence in academics (GPA 3.5 or higher in major, GPA overall 3.3), in the field of communicative disorders and/or community, displays leadership, community service, and volunteerism.

**To apply:** Submit a letter to the Chair of the Department, describing the research project and the dates of approval by any the relevant departmental and/or university committee(s). The letter should indicate how the funds would be used to support the research project and also how the applicant's career goals will be enhanced by the completion of the research project.

## **Shana Kay Memorial Scholarship:**

The **Shana Kay Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established to remember Shana, who was a diligent and enthusiastic student at UW planning for a career in speech pathology. Sadly, her life ended in July, 2005, after her freshman year, from viral encephalitis. Shana was a spirited but serious student who was committed to helping people with communicative disorders. Her compassionate and magnetic personality would have contributed to her success as a speech-language pathologist. Beginning in fall 2008, the Shana Kay Memorial Scholarship is granted to a student with a commitment to excellence in communicative disorders. To learn more about Shana, visit [www.shanakay.org](http://www.shanakay.org).

**Eligibility criteria:** Faculty recommended undergraduate who has past the gateway courses and are in the major with a commitment to excellence in communicative disorders with a preference for those studying Speech Pathology and a financial need.

## **Lewis Family Scholarship:**

Paul and Nancy Lewis both have degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Nancy is a Speech and Language Therapist in the Minnesota Public Schools. They have been sponsoring an undergraduate scholarship in the School of Education for a student in Communicative Disorders since 2001. The Lewis Family Scholarship is announced and a certificate is presented at the School of Education Honors Banquet which is held in the spring. The award is administered by the Department of Education.

**Eligibility criteria:** A first year graduate student who plans to work as a school-based speech-language pathologist upon graduation. The recipients of this award are selected via recommendation of the faculty.

**Loon Fellowship Award:**

The *Loon Fellowship*, a group of former UW-Madison Master's program students in Communicative Disorders, has established an award to recognize contributions by a Master's or AuD student who creates and fosters a sense of community and fellowship among graduate students.

**Eligibility criteria:** Nominees should be first-year professional-degree graduate students in good academic standing majoring in speech-language pathology or audiology, or first-year Master's-degree students in communication sciences. There are no restrictions as to citizenship, age, gender, undergraduate degree, financial need or grade point average.

**To apply:** Nominations are sought from faculty, clinical instructors and graduate students at any point in their academic programs. Nominations should be limited to one page and should address student leadership as evidenced by the nominee's support of fellow graduate students, and actions which foster professional development and personal relationships among students. Nominees will then be contacted and asked to prepare short responses to a limited number of questions.

**Phi Beta Award:**

The Phi Beta Award is given to a junior student based on good scholarship and character, demonstrated talent and achievement in speech or music, promise of continuing achievement as judged by a peer group of faculty. The award rotates among Music, Theatre, Communication Arts and Communicative Disorders. Award is given every other year.

**Eligibility criteria:** Nominees should display outstanding character, scholarship and professional skill.

**Frank V. Powell Award:**

Mr. Powell was a director of the Division for Handicapped Children, Department of Public Instruction. He was an educator in Wisconsin for nearly fifty years and was interested in the field of "speech correction", as it was known then. His family created a fund in his memory and the award has been continued since 1958. The award is administered by the Department of Education. The Powell Award is announced and a certificate is presented at the School of Education Honors Banquet which is held in the spring and the award recipients' names are engraved on a plaque that is displayed on the first floor of Goodnight Hall.

**Eligibility criteria:** Recognition awards, recipients of this award are selected via recommendation of the faculty.

## Eligibility and Deadlines:

Awards	Eligibility	Need Based	Timeline		
			Application Announcement	Deadline for Applications	Recipient Announced
<b>Frederic A. Gruber Scholarship</b>	Graduate student in Comm Dis.	N	October	December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Mid-January
<b>Shana Kay Memorial Scholarship</b>	Undergraduate in Comm. Dis.	Y	October	December 1 <sup>st</sup>	Mid-January
<b>Lewis Family Scholarship</b>	First year Graduate student in the School of Education studying Comm. Dis.	N	March	Administered by the School of Education and Trici Schraeder	
<b>Loon Fellowship Award</b>	M.S. and AuD students	N	March	April	May
<b>Phi Beta Award</b>	Undergraduate Junior Standing	N	March	Given every other year	
<b>Frank V. Powell Award</b>	Undergraduate in the School of Education studying Comm. Dis.	N	March	Administered by the School of Education and Trici Schraeder	

## Award/Scholarship Recipients:

### Frederic A. Gruber Scholarship:

**2008-2009: Lynn Gilbertson**

Past recipients include: **Soha Garadat**, 2005-2006; **Nathan V. Welham**, 2004-2005; **Erin M. Wilson**, 2003-2004; **Matt Burk**, 2002-2003; **RaMonda Horton-Ikard**, 2001-2002; **Kyungah Lee**, 2000-2001.

### Shana Kay Memorial Scholarship:

**2008-2009: Rachel Huard**

Past recipients include:

### Lewis Family Scholarship:

**2008-2009: Abygail Marx**

Past recipients include: **Judy Fard**, 2007-2008; **Claire Leake**, 2006-2007; **Ericka Wendorf**, 2005-2006; **Diane Benz**, 2004-2005; **Alyssa Glanzman**, 2003-2004; **Shevawn Leahy**, 2002-2003; **Leah Benzschawel**, 2001-2002.

### Loon Fellowship Award:

**2009: Michael Molinaro**

Past recipients include: **Sara VanDenHeuvel**, 2008; **Allison Bruggink**, 2006; **Holly Rusch**, 2005; **Courtney Oftedahl**, 2004; **Elizabeth Lepley**, 2003.

### Phi Beta Award:

**2008-2009: Samantha J. Harris**

Past recipients include: **Susan Richmond**, 2006-2007; **Amanda Schanz**, 2003-2004; **Katherine Verberkmoes**, 1999-2000; **Shawna Ellingen**, 1996-1997.

**Frank V. Powell Award:**

**2008-2009: Abygail Marx**

Past recipients include: **Rachel Bissell**, 2007-2008; **Deidre Serafin**, 2006-2007; **Megan Jo Peterson**, 2005-2006; **Ericka Wendorf**, 2004-2005; **Caitlin Dardis**, 2003-2004; **Laura Hotan**, 2002-2003.