



**Phyllis Cunningham Social Justice Award  
Community/Popular Education**

**Purpose.** The award is intended to reward the contributions made by students and/or community members to the initiatives for social justice, community empowerment and community or popular education

**Information.** This award is made possible from an Endowment Fund set up to honor the outstanding leadership and invaluable contribution made by Professor Phyllis Cunningham through her many years of service in the area of popular/community education at the College of Education, NIU.

**Nature of Award.** An award will be presented to the selected candidate to be used at her/his own discretion to further strengthen her/his work in the area of social justice, community empowerment/development, and/or popular education.

**Eligibility.**

- Scholarship assistance for historically disadvantaged graduate students pursuing studies in the area of Adult Education, with an emphasis on community and popular education.
- Travel expenses to attend programs or conferences related to their area of study or research for historically disadvantaged graduate students pursuing studies in the area of Adult Education, with an emphasis on community and popular education.
- The purchase of materials that promote and facilitate the pursuit of community and popular education and research in the area of Adult Education.
- Financial support for research activities related to community and popular education, either for faculty or graduate students in the College of Education.
- Support for the development and delivery in the College of Education of social justice-related programs that emphasize community and popular education.
- All awards shall be made without regard to race, ethnicity, religion, age, sex, or national origin.

**Application Procedure.** Nominations/applications are invited from current NIU graduate students and faculty Attach a one-three page description detailing the following:

- Your community popular education experience;
- Nature of your recent community service or contributions to the field community/popular education or social justice;
- Future plans for your continued commitment to the area of social justice, community service and community/popular education;
- Briefly explain how the grant money will be used.

The selection committee may contact the nominator/applicant to get additional information, if needed.

**Selection.** The recipient will be decided by an award selection committee, based on the nature of the responses to the above-mentioned four major topics. Successful candidate will be notified by phone and email.

**Deadline for application.** November 1

**Please email completed application and essay to: [cahescholarships@niu.edu](mailto:cahescholarships@niu.edu) with the subject heading: Phyllis Cunningham Social Justice Award**

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**Application Form**

Last Name:	
First Name:	
Middle (Maiden) Name:	
Student ID #:	
Classification & Hours Completed (Master's students must have minimum of 15 credit hours completed in program of study by February 15; Doctoral students must have completed a minimum of 24 credit hours in program of study by February 15):	
Department:	
Degree & Specialization (if at NIU):	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Telephone (Home):	(    )
Telephone (Work):	(    )
E-Mail Address:	

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