Richter Center Scholars in Service Program



Partnering Organizations

















The focus of the Scholars in Service (SIS) program is to uniquely serve the neighborhoods around the Fresno State campus by placing students with community benefit organizations serving these areas. The program has an equal emphasis on proving quality service to the agencies and residents surrounding the University, and providing quality developmental experiences for the Fresno State students involved.

SIS engages up to 21 students each year in in-depth service. To be eligible, a student must have achieved academic excellence (3.5 GPA or above), and have a significant unmet financial aid need. After being accepted into the program, students must complete a minimum of 90 hours of service per semester with one of the partnering community benefit organizations. In turn, the students earn \$1,200 grant each semester they meet the program requirements.

"I've gotten a a new sense of perspective by being involved through SIS on not only just my life, but the lives of the kids that I am able to come in contact with." Marisa Martinez, FACE

Before coming to the SIS program and serving at Wesley Methodist Church, I knew nothing about the El Dorado Park neighborhood. Through the program I worked each day on issues that pertained to the neighborhood. I have also seen how the community can come together to bring about positive results and I helped make some of that possible, like helping start the community garden.

Jena Rodriguez, Wesley Methodist Church











