



**THE JOSEPH GARY JENSEN SCHOLARSHIP FUND
FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE, SOCIAL WELFARE AND SOCIAL WELFARE STUDENTS**

The Social Work and Criminal Justice Program is pleased to announce The Joseph Gary Jensen Scholarship Fund. The Joseph Gary Jensen Scholarship Fund was created to honor the life of Joseph Gary Jensen. Joey spent 18 years in prison and determined that “it is never too late to turn things around.” He stated, “I have paid my debit. I will not be held back by judgement of others. I will prosper and have a positive impact on the society in which I live. Like the Phoenix, I will rise from the ashes of my former existence and be reborn. I shall rise above.” He became a graphic artist, creating beautiful pieces of art. The Jensen family and others who contribute to this scholarship want to support and encourage applicants who desire to make a positive difference in the world. Two, one-time awards of \$3000 are available to UW Tacoma students enrolled in the Criminal Justice (CJ), Social Welfare (BASW) or Master of Social Work (MSW) programs, to be awarded during winter quarter 2019.

Students who, like Joey, have a history of justice system involvement and who hope to make a positive difference in the lives of others with similar experiences are strongly encouraged to apply.

Application procedures are described below. Eligible applicants are students continuing their degree progression in winter quarter 2019, when the scholarship funds will be awarded.

Criteria:

- ✚ Currently enrolled UW Tacoma CJ, BASW, or MSW students in good standing, with successful completion of at least one quarter of coursework in their major/program.
 - Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (CJ/BASW) or 3.0 (MSW)
- ✚ Continuous enrollment from autumn quarter 2018 through winter quarter 2019.
- ✚ Quality of personal statement addressing: 1) the importance of education to your professional goals and ability to make a positive difference in the world, 2) any adversity you have overcome to pursue and prioritize your education, and 3) what receipt of a Joseph Gary Jensen Scholarship would mean to you.

Application Procedure:

To apply for this scholarship, applicants must provide the following information to the Social Work and Criminal Justice Program office in WCG-203.

- ✚ Completed Joseph Gary Jensen Scholarship Fund Application (p. 2 of this document)
- ✚ An unofficial UW Tacoma transcript (printed from [MyUW](#))
- ✚ A personal statement addressing: 1) the importance of education to your professional goals and ability to make a positive difference in the world, 2) any adversity you have overcome to pursue and prioritize your education, and 3) what receipt of a Joseph Gary Jensen Scholarship would mean to you.
 - The length of the essay should be 1-2 pages, typed, double-spaced and 11 or 12 point font.

Application Deadline:

- ✚ **November 28, 2018 at 5pm**



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APPLICATION FORM

Deliver or mail materials to:

University of Washington Tacoma
Social Work and Criminal Justice Program
Attn: Scholarship Committee
1900 Commerce Street, WCG-203
Tacoma, WA 98402-3100

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____ Preferred Phone: _____

UW E-mail: _____

BASW Student: CJ Student: MSW Student: (please check one)

Year Admitted to UW Tacoma BASW, CJ, or MSW Program: _____

UW Student ID Number: _____

Current Cumulative UW Tacoma Grade Point Average (GPA): _____

By signing this application, I certify that my statements in this application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any falsification or omission of information may disqualify me from consideration for this scholarship. I understand that all statements made on this application may be verified. If I receive a scholarship from UW Tacoma, I: 1) give the University permission to publish my name in news releases, the web and advertisements promoting its scholarships; 2) agree to write funders a thank you note; and 3) may be required to attend a scholarship stewardship event, if one is held.

Signature: _____

Date: _____