



BASIC Salutes its College Graduates

Jasmine Fernandez

earned a B.A in Cultural Anthropology from Cal Poly Humboldt this past December.

In her own words.....

As a recipient of the BASIC Scholar Award, I've developed a deep gratitude and appreciation for the incredible community work that BASIC offers. The devotion to our academic success and professional endeavors as students from our small-town community never goes unnoticed. I love the new direction BASIC has embarked on this year with developed access and resource outreach activities, and assignments. This scholarship motivated me first and foremost to apply to college, and after getting accepted I was determined to express my academic excellence in furthering my education through Cal Poly Humboldt. I started my academic journey to receive my bachelor's because of this scholarship, and I am very humbled to say I've completed this journey and am ready to continue learning from my advisors, colleagues, and peers to contribute culturally relative and positive ethnographic work to my field of study.

I am currently wrapping up my last semester at Cal Poly Humboldt. I am completing all my finals this week and next week. After I receive my diploma, I will be engaging in my community through volunteer, ethnographic, and birth work services. I also have started my search for midwifery programs in the state of California. I intend to work towards obtaining my Midwife license, which requires my enrollment in a three-year program, and NARM examination completion. I am employed with the Cultural Resources department at the Ocotillo Wells SVRA, and intend to continue to develop my anthropologic, and archaeological skills in this institution.