The Laurie Ann Mandara ’07 Scholarship

The Laurie Ann Mandara ’07 Scholarship, funded by the Mandara family, friends, and faculty, is awarded to one student each year on the basis of community service and/or overcoming personal obstacles. This spring, the scholarship was awarded to Priscilla Gutierrez ’13. An active member of the TCNJ community, Priscilla is a Psychology and Urban Education double major, a Bonner scholar, and a member of Psi Chi. Her community service activities have been numerous and include volunteering at the Hedgepeth Williams Elementary School, Trenton Central High School, Habitat for Humanity, and the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen. In addition, she traveled to New Orleans with the Bonner students to provide service activities. Priscilla is also a member of Dr. Wiley’s Social change and Collective Identity Lab.

The Marshall P. Smith Scholarship

The Marshall P. Smith Scholarship is awarded to a student based on academic excellence, evidence of commitment to Psychology, financial need, and involvement in campus and community activities. This year, Melissa Gutworth ’12 was awarded the Marshall P. Smith Scholarship. Melissa is an Industrial/Organizational Psychology Major with a Liberal Learning concentration in Psychology and Criminal Law. She has gone above and beyond within her major by completing her Senior Honors Thesis during her junior year, acting as an Instructional Intern, and becoming a member of Psi Chi. Melissa has also served as the president of Alpha Phi Omega on campus, a community service fraternity that won a national award for its service program under her leadership. In the future, she plans to pursue a Ph.D. in Industrial/Organizational Psychology.