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Madeira Schools Foundation Awards Scholarship

The Madeira Schools Foundation (MSF) recently named Cecilia Jimenez as the 2018 recipient of the MSF Ruth Slagle Crawford Scholarship. The Foundation presents the award annually to a Madeira High School (MHS) graduate who is currently enrolled in college and pursuing a degree.

The \$5,000 scholarship is named in honor of MHS Class of 1925 alumnus Ruth Slagle Crawford who established the scholarship in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Crawford. The Crawfords were long-time teachers who placed great value in education. To be considered for the scholarship applicants must be a Madeira High School graduate pursuing a Bachelor's Degree at an accredited institution for at least one year while attaining a 2.5 or above GPA. They must also write an essay which demonstrates how they are succeeding in college through their personal drive and strong work ethic and how they are financially supporting their education via employment.

Cecilia Jimenez graduated from Madeira in 2016 and attends the University of Pittsburgh. She is majoring in Health and Rehabilitation Sciences and Communication Sciences. Cecilia is also the Business Manager for LMSA+ which empowers students through service, mentorship, and education to advocate for the health of the Latino community. "I am so thankful and honored to have received the Ruth Slagle Crawford Scholarship from the Madeira Schools Foundation," Cecilia said. "Without the preparation from Madeira, I would not be nearly as successful in my college career both from an academic and interpersonal standpoint. The scholarship has allowed me to focus more on my honors thesis and helped me able to stay in one of the best schools in the country for my program of study."

The Madeira Schools Foundation was founded in 1984 by a group of enthusiastic parents and community members who worked to make the high school's outdoor track a reality. Today they hold their annual auction, a golf outing, and other events to raise funds that assist the Madeira City School District in achieving its goals for continued quality education. They have provided computer hardware and software, athletic facilities, new high school auditorium seats, a science lab building, sponsored the MHS Day of Service, student service learning trips abroad, an alumni fund and much more. Each year they also award upwards of \$20,000 to graduating seniors for achievements they accomplished while at Madeira High School.

This is the eighth year the Madeira Schools Foundation has awarded the scholarship. For more please see MadeiraSchoolsFoundation.org.



Pictured: Cecilia Jimenez