

## ESL

Selected Student: Lesly Sanchez

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The ESL department unanimously selected Lesly Sanchez as this year's recipient of the outstanding student award. Lesly grew up in a teacher's family near Guadalajara. She started the credit ESL program at level 2 to improve her language skills, pursue a degree in psychology, and find a good job in the U.S. Lesly always goes the extra mile in her ESL classes and her work is truly outstanding. She is seen as a leader by teachers, staff, and students and works as an ESL peer advisor. Lesly's goal in life is to help people improve their lives. Her message to other students is: "It's important to dedicate time to study. When you study, you can have a better life."

### Lesly's Words of Gratitude:

I am very grateful to my family who has supported and motivated me in this process of my studies. Also, the teachers for their advice and time in class, tutors for the time and help that they gave to me, classmates who with their dedication and effort have motivated me to work harder. You all contributed a lot to the person I am now.

I appreciate this recognition and I would like to share a phrase with the students: "Only through effort and dedication will you achieve your goals."