Lisa Wilson

Lisa's career goal is to finish her program at Cerritos College in order to obtain her license so that she can become a Speech Pathologist Assistant. This will be Lisa's second AA as she earned her first AA in Liberal Arts: Social and Behavior Science in the Spring of 2019. She wants to transfer to Cal State Long Beach for her Bachelors in Communication Disorders with the goal of a Masters and becoming a Speech Pathologist. Along with being a student at Cerritos College, she is in an unpaid internship at the Cerritos College SLPA program to complete the 100 hours of required clinical hours. She is a single mother with a six year old daughter.

Lisa is a former foster youth having been placed in the system at the age of two. She has been out on her own since the age of 18. She faces the challenges of trying to provide food, clothing, transportation, and shelter for her child and herself on a daily basis. She has faced multiple hurdles when it comes to mental, emotional, and physical health which has helped her to build inner strength. She found it hard to stay on the right path when she was going through emotional trauma, homelessness and physical abuse. But she did, and she felt that the best path for her was to return to school.

Lisa is a giver to her peers, friends, and family because she has a passion for helping people. That is the major reason she chose her career path of Speech Pathologist so that she can help those who cannot help themselves.

Lisa is described by one of her references as a smart, brave and persistent young woman who knows what she wants from life and is not afraid to advocate for herself and her daughter to fulfill her goals. Her greatest strength is persistence.