Eve and Herman Gelman were the parents of Ellen Gelman ’61. Ellen received her B.A. in Psychology from Brandeis and went on to become an Associate Professor in the Department of Art at the University of Maryland at College Park. She passed away in 2003. The next year, the Eve and Herman Gelman Doctoral Fellowship for Social Policy was established to honor her interest in fostering a doctoral program for social workers in the field of social policy. The Fellowship is to be awarded to deserving PhD students pursuing degrees who have hands-on experience in social work at a local level.

John Kossow, a co-trustee of the Ellen F. Gelman Revocable Trust, enjoys learning about the recipients of the Gelman Fellowship and their academic pursuits.