



Illinois
Lake
Management
Association

Our Mission: *“To promote understanding and comprehensive management of lake and watershed ecosystems”*

SCHOLARSHIP/GRANT APPLICATION

P. O. Box 20655, Springfield, IL 62708

<http://ilma-lakes.org>

How the application process works:

The student completes this application and returns it and all supporting materials by the **due date of December 31**, to the address listed above. Late applications will not be considered. Once the application is received, the Illinois Lake Management Association will:

- Send a letter confirming application receipt within 10 days of the application deadline, and
- Provide a timetable for the review process and award notification.

Before sending this application did you:

Properly complete the application?

- sign the application form?
- attach or forward the necessary (2) letters of recommendation?
- attach or forward the required “Official Transcripts”.
- Include a project description, budget, and description of how the scholarship money will be spent?

Send the completed application and all supporting materials by December 31 to:

Illinois Lake Management Association

P.O. Box 20655

Springfield, IL 62708

APPLICATION

(This application must be typed. Applications that are not typed will not be considered.)

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Are you a citizen of the United States?

- yes
- no

Residency status (please check the box describing your current residency status)

- Illinois resident** attending a college or university in IL, IN, MN, OH, MI or WI **OR**

- out-of-state resident** attending an accredited Illinois college or university?

Legal Residence Information (if different from above):

Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Highest College Degree You Currently Hold: _____

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION:

What college/university are you presently attending? _____

What college/university do you plan to attend next term? _____

PRESENT Enrollment Status: Undergraduate Level Soph. ___ Jr. ___ Sr. ___ Full time?: (Y/N) _____
 Graduate Level _____ (year) Full time?: (Y/N) _____
 Doctorate Level _____ (year) Full time?: (Y/N) _____

COURSE OF STUDY/MAJOR: _____

CURRENT GPA: _____ (4.00 pt. scale) **INCLUDE AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT WITH YOUR APPLICATION. Note: First year graduate students must provide both undergraduate and graduate (when available) transcripts.**

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

List any school, civic, community, honorary, fraternal, or other organizations in which you have been actively involved.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE: List any volunteer experience you have had (excluding lake or watershed related experiences):

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE: (If available, attach a resume)

LAKE/WATERSHED EXPERIENCE: (Briefly describe any experience you have had that relates to lake or watershed management. Include volunteer experience, internships, projects, or other involvement)

AWARDS AND HONORS: (Briefly describe each)

GOALS: Describe as specifically as possible your goals for the following as they relate to ILMA's mission statement:

Project Goals:

Goals following graduation:

RELEVANCE OF COURSEWORK/INTERNSHIPS: Briefly discuss how your coursework, internships or other experiences are relevant to ILMA's mission statement.

PROJECT DESIGN:

Describe in detail your project design and anticipated outcome. If conducting a research project, include a thesis statement.

PROJECT BUDGET:

Provide a detailed budget itemizing project expenses. The budget may be inserted below or attached to the application.

DESCRIBE HOW THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WILL BE USED: Briefly describe the importance of award to project completion.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: The applicant must provide (2) two letters of recommendation. The purpose of these letters is to identify reasons the applicant should be considered for a scholarship/grant award. The letters should include a discussion of both the applicant's qualifications and the value of the proposed project. Acceptable references include: College Advisor, Professor, Supervisor, or Employer. Letters may be included with the application or sent separately to the address on the application.

Important: Please read very carefully. Your application will not be processed without your signature!

I hereby certify that all statements in this application are true and to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I receive financial assistance I must be registered in an accredited college/university as a full time student and maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA each semester. I give my permission for the release of personal information on this form for the purpose of awarding the scholarship. I have attached or sent a copy of my transcript of course records. In addition, I am aware that the deadline for this application is December 31. Late applications will not be considered.

Signature: _____

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO: Illinois Lake Management Association
P. O. Box 20655
Springfield, IL 62708

How did you hear about this scholarship program?

___ Internet Newsgroup (please list name) _____

___ Internet Search Engine (please list name) _____

If you used a search engine what keywords did you use when looking for scholarships?: _____

___ Other (please list web site if internet) _____