

# The Illinois Club Scholarship Awards

Diverse and welcoming, The Illinois Club draws its membership from all areas of the University as well as the surrounding community. Although founded in 1906 as a faculty wives' and women's club, one quarter of its members are now men. Since 1915, The Illinois Club has provided financial support to worthy undergraduate students. We now award scholarships in excess of \$26,000 each year.

- Ten combined \$2,000 **Make-A-Difference Awards** and **Isabelle Purnell Education Awards**
- One \$3,400 **Judith Life Ikenberry Fine Arts Award**
- One \$3,000 **Susan T. Haney Social Work Award**

You must be an undergraduate, have earned at least 60 credit hours by the beginning of the Spring 2014 semester, and graduate no earlier than December 2014 to apply. A minimum GPA of 2.75 at both the time of application and of awarding is required. Applicants are evaluated for all awards for which they are eligible. *Awards are not based upon gender.*

## Award Designations

### Make-A-Difference Awards

These scholarships are awarded to those who are making a difference or have concrete plans for doing so.

### Isabelle Purnell Education Awards

These scholarships are awarded to students who are earning a Teaching Certificate.

### Judith Life Ikenberry Fine Arts Award

This scholarship is awarded to a student in the College of Fine and Applied Arts or to a Creative Writing major in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

### Susan T. Haney Social Work Award

This scholarship is awarded to a student in the School of Social Work.

## How to Apply

**Applications with all supporting documents are due November 1, 5:00 PM.** The application and application supporting document requirements can be found at [www.theillinoisclub.org/scholarship.php](http://www.theillinoisclub.org/scholarship.php). If you have trouble submitting documents within the application, submit them to: [applications@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:applications@theillinoisclub.org).

Applicants must send a 500 word or less **essay** explaining how they plan to use their education and experiences to "make a difference" in the lives of others.

In addition, applicants must submit a **résumé**, an **unofficial transcript** from UI Integrate Self Service, and an **award history** and **current award letter** from UI Integrate Self Service to complete their application. Ikenberry applicants may also submit a **portfolio**. Receipt of application supporting documents will be acknowledged with an email.

Everyone will be notified in January about the status of their application. Semifinalists are interviewed in late January or early February. Winners are notified shortly thereafter. A Scholarship Awards Brunch honoring the winners will take place on a Saturday in early March. For further details see [www.theillinoisclub.org](http://www.theillinoisclub.org).

If you have questions, please email [applications@theillinoisclub.org](mailto:applications@theillinoisclub.org).