

UIC College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
LAS Alumni Association Board of Directors
Merit Award

The LAS Alumni Association Board of Directors Merit Award was created in 1992 to give current LAS students the opportunity to receive a monetary award and, at the same time, receive recognition for both academic achievement and service to the university and/or community.

There are four merit awards for academic year 2011-2012. Each recipient will receive a \$2,000 award (to be applied toward tuition). The recipients are required to attend the 16th Annual LAS Recognition Dinner on Wednesday November 9, 2011, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Each student will be recognized by the Dean and be given a memento to mark the honor. They will also be seated with members from the LASAA Board of Directors.

Current LAS undergraduates and graduate students are encouraged to fill out the attached application form, and fully read the application guidelines and requirements. ***Applications not fully completed will not be considered.***

The LAS alumni volunteers on the scholarship committee will conduct a blind review of all applications. The first two pages of this application will be seen ONLY by the LAS Office of Advancement to assist the LAS Alumni Association Board in verifying information.

INQUIRIES – For further information regarding this scholarship or eligibility requirements contact the LAS Office of Advancement at 312-413-1898 or email lasconnect@uic.edu.

Please note: Students graduating before or during the Fall 2011 semester are NOT eligible for this award.

APPLICANT GUIDELINES:

At the time of application, the student:

1. **Must** be currently enrolled in the UIC College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and **must** be a student in good academic standing. Students graduating before or during the Fall 2011 semester are **not** eligible for these scholarships.
2. **Must** have completed an equivalent of 75 semester hours as an undergraduate, applicable toward a UIC College of Liberal Arts and Sciences degree (include a copy of your fall schedule) **and** have completed their two most recent terms as a student in LAS. Graduate students must have completed their two most recent terms as a student in LAS.
3. **In addition to completing this form, you must write and attach a narrative that describes:**
 - a. Your involvement in activities serving UIC and/or the community/communities in which you've lived while attending UIC. You should identify the activity, any leadership positions held, dates of participation, and how your participation helped make UIC and/or your community a better place in which to attend school or live. If you have been involved in more than one activity, describe each one briefly. If you received an award or other recognition for your participation, include this information.

- b. Your personal, professional and academic goals for the coming year and post-graduation.
 - c. Generally, why you believe you deserve this award.
 - d. The narrative **must not** exceed 500 words and must be typewritten, double-spaced.
4. If you have a resume or Curriculum Vitae, please attach it to this application. Be sure to highlight your current work experience and any awards and /or honors received while attending UIC.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 4:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011.
Email application to lasconnect@uic.edu, or deliver to room 409 University Hall (to staff or under door).

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

NAME: _____
Last First Middle

ADDRESS: _____
Street and Number

City State Zip

_____ *Daytime Phone Number* _____ *Evening Phone Number*

_____ *Daytime Email* _____ *Evening Email*

UNIVERSITY IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (UIN): _____

SEX: ___ Male ___ Female
 ___ Other

DATE OF BIRTH: ___ • ___ • ___

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN:

ARE YOU CURRENTLY ATTENDING UIC
 ___ Full-time? ___ Part-time?

Attending UIC? _____
(in years, months, or semesters)
 Majoring in a LAS discipline? _____
(in years, months, or semesters)

I, the undersigned, agree that all information provided on this application is accurate and truthful. I authorize the disclosure of my financial aid and academic records by the University for review by the LAS Alumni Association Board of Directors for consideration for the Merit Award.

Signature: _____ *Date:* _____

ALL STATEMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO VERIFICATION. ANY OMISSIONS AND/OR FALSE INFORMATION WILL DISQUALIFY APPLICANTS FROM FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

If you require more space to answer questions, please do not hesitate to attach a MS Word document to this application.

What type(s) of financial aid, monetary awards and university financial support will you receive, or have you already received, towards your educational expenses in academic years 2010–2011 and 2011–2012? (Please describe.)

Please answer the following questions to the best of your knowledge based on your academic standing up to and including fall term (semester) 2011:

Your major(s)/Graduate Program:

Minor(s), if any: _____

Your major GPA(s) _____

Transfer Credit

Total hours of transfer credit (if any):

_____ Hours

Total credit hours completed in your current major(s) _____ Hours

Transfer GPA _____

Total credit hours earned towards your current degree _____ Hours

Planned graduation date

_____ Month/Year

Your cumulative GPA _____

Degree(s) you've already earned, if any:

Institution	Degree	Year	Major or Area of Concentration
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_____	_____	_____	_____

Are you currently in good academic standing with UIC?

____ Yes ____ No If no, please

explain: _____

List any honors you've received or other evidence of scholarship and/or service to UIC or in the community:

Describe your employment history (if any) while studying at UIC.

If you are named a scholarship finalist, are you willing to supply any necessary documents verifying your financial need? Yes No

I, the undersigned, agree that all information provided on this application is accurate and truthful.

Signature

Date

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