Office of International Services  
2016 Laurette Kirstein Scholarship Application

The UIC Office of International Services is pleased to offer the Laurette Kirstein Scholarship for the 2016-2017 academic year. Three awards of $5,000 each (pretax) in the form of student account credit for tuition, books, and living expenses will be offered to international students who display academic excellence and meet the following requirements:

1. **An international student* currently enrolled full-time at UIC pursuing either an undergraduate or graduate degree**

2. **A minimum UIC cumulative GPA of 3.5/4.0**

3. **Must have completed at least one semester of coursework at UIC at the time of application**

*The term "international student" encompasses any student enrolled at UIC who is neither a U.S. citizen nor a permanent resident, who holds a valid non-immigrant visa status, and is maintain his/her status. In addition to those individuals who entered the U.S. on student visas, this population includes students in dependent status who are eligible to enroll full-time in an academic program.

Applicants must submit the following documents to have a complete application:

1. **A completed Application Form** – The application includes a brief description of your financial situation and a personal statement.

2. **Two letters of recommendation** – Letters from UIC faculty and staff members are preferred. All letters should address your scholastic and professional abilities and should not come from family or friends. Letters can be emailed directly to the email address below, or handed in by the applicant to the Office of International Services.

Please note that if you are selected as an award recipient, funds will be distributed directly to your student account during the Fall 2016 - Spring 2017 academic year. Funding will be applied directly to your student account if you have a remaining balance. If you do not have a remaining balance, the award will be directly deposited into your bank account that is connected to your student account.

**Applications missing one of the above components will be considered incomplete, and will not advance in the competition.**

All applications are due on Friday March 11, 2016 to the Office of International Services (MC 326), Suite 2160, Student Services Building (SSB).

You may submit your application online through OIS website:
http://www.ois.uic.edu/students/current/scholarships/ or by visiting the Office of International Services (Suite 2160 SSB).

For more information, please contact: Office of International Services, 2160 Student Services Building (MC 326), (312) 996-3121, oisscholarships@uic.edu.
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Student Information

Last Name____________________________________ First Name____________________________________

UIN ______________________________ Current Immigration Status__________________________

Address _________________________________________________________________________________________

City ___________________________ State _____________________ Zip ________________

Telephone (______)________________ E-mail address________________________________

Academic Information

Major(s) __________________________________________________________________________________________

Minor(s) __________________________________________________________________________________________

UIC Cumulative GPA _________ on a 4.0 scale   Are you a full time student?   Yes   No

Hours completed at UIC ___________ Anticipated date of graduation from UIC______________

Scholarships/Financial Aid

Write a brief statement describing how you are currently covering the cost of your education at UIC (family funds, personal funds, outside sponsor, government aid, assistantship and stipend, tuition waiver only, loans). In your statement, indicate if there have been any changes in your funding situation, as well as what you will use the funds towards if you are awarded the scholarship.

Certification

I certify that all information on this application is correct and complete. I understand the information that I provide may be shared with members of an award selection committee and the Office of International Services (OIS).

____________________________________  ______________________________________
Signature  Date
Personal Statement

Please write a statement of approximately 1000 words that addresses your academic and scholarly goals at UIC and beyond, as well as your future professional goals. You may also want to consider including information on the following topics:

- Experiences or activities that have contributed to where you are today and/or your future goals
- Challenges/hardships that you have endured and what measures you have taken to overcome them
- Honors/Awards that you have received
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Recommendation Form

Student Name ________________________________  UIN ____________________________

Dear Applicant:

Please complete and sign the following statement before submitting this form to the recommender. This request is in compliance with Federal Law P.L. 93-380 (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974).

☐ I waive my right of access to the letter of recommendation submitted on my behalf.
☐ I do not waive my right of access to the letter of recommendation submitted on my behalf.

_____________________________________________  ____________________________
Signature                              Date

Dear Faculty/Staff Member:

The student listed above is applying for the 2015 Laurette Kirstein Scholarship. As a part of this process, students must submit two letters of recommendation.

Please assess the candidate in regard to his or her academic performance and leadership abilities. You may use the back of this sheet or attach a separate letter if preferred.

Please evaluate the student in question and submit your recommendation to the Office of International Services (MC 326) by Friday March 11th, 2016. Electronic submissions via email to oisscholarships@uic.edu are also accepted.

_____________________________________________  ____________________________
Signature                              Date

Recommender Name (printed)  Department
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Signature Date

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Recommender Name (printed) Department