



GEORGE R. AND MARTHA MEANS CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURIAL STUDIES

Illinois State University

Department of Management and Quantitative Methods

The George R. and Martha Means Center (E-Scholar) Scholarship

Scholarship Description

Housed in the Department of Management and Quantitative Methods, The Means Center is offering ten merit-based scholarships of \$1,000 each with priority given to incoming freshmen. This scholarship is offered to students declaring a major in Entrepreneurship and Small Business. Continuing undergraduate recipients having met the initial scholarly requirements are then encouraged to re-apply to be considered for the award in subsequent semesters provided the requirements of earned hours and GPA are continually met. Sophomore level and above and transfer students meet eligibility criteria with a minimum GPA of 3.5 cumulative for all course work. Scholarship awards will be made for the following academic year.

Eligibility

Continuing Student Requirements

- Full-time student.
- Entrepreneurship/Small Business declared major.
- Minimum GPA of 3.5 for all earned coursework.
- Fulfillment of E-Scholar requirements.

Scholarship Application Package Contents

Scholarship Application Process

To apply for *The George R. and Martha Means Center (E-Scholar) Scholarship*, a completed application package is required, which includes:

- A completed scholarship application.
- A 500 word essay regarding your career goals and how they are related to small business and entrepreneurship.
- A letter of recommendation from a professional source (ex. employer, teacher, counselor).

Submission of Scholarship Application

The completed scholarship application must be submitted, no later than March 15, 2012 to:

Dr. Mark Hoelscher
Director, George R. and Martha Means Center for Entrepreneurial Studies
Department of Management and Quantitative Methods – Campus Box 5580
215 State Farm Hall of Business Building
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If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Hoelscher at (309) 438-5985 or send an email to mlhoels@ilstu.edu



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About Illinois State University

Illinois State University is the first public university in the state. It is a residential campus that emphasizes undergraduate study. Its 34 academic departments in six colleges offer 67 undergraduate programs in more than 188 fields of study. The Graduate School coordinates 39 masters, two specialists, and eight doctoral programs.

Illinois State University works as a diverse community of scholars with a commitment to fostering a small-college atmosphere with large-university opportunities. We promote the highest academic standards in our teaching, scholarship, public service and the connections we build among them. We devote all our resources and energies to creating the most supportive and productive community possible to serve the citizens of Illinois and beyond.

About the College of Business

The College of Business resides in the State Farm Hall of Business, one of the newest and technologically advanced buildings on campus. Located on the south end of the Quad, the College of Business is home to four undergraduate departments, the MBA Program, and six center and institutes, one being the George R. and Martha Means Center for Entrepreneurial Studies.

We want our students to discover and develop their individual interests and passions. We want our students to take those passions and achieve a level of personal growth beyond what they ever thought possible. Illinois State is our passion and our business. Our goal remains to be the first choice for business education in Illinois.

About The Means Center

The Department of Management and Quantitative Methods is home to The George R. and Martha Means Center for Entrepreneurial Studies. The Means Center was established through a planned gift of the late George R. and Martha Means. The goal of the new center is twofold: to enhance academic and business experiences for students and to serve as a research and consulting resource for local businesses. The stated mission of The Means Center is to establish and advance business/entrepreneurial/intrapreneurial education at Illinois State University's College of Business. The long-range goal of the Center is to provide a premier educational experience, both in and out of the classroom to Entrepreneurship/Small Business Students.