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### **Honors College Student Engagement Grants**

Through the generosity of donors, the UIC Honors College is able to provide its students the opportunity to apply for Student Engagement Grants. These financial awards support enriching educational experiences that complement students' educational programs. Grants will typically be less than \$500; students may request higher amounts with a defensible rationale for doing so.

Projects to be funded by the Honors College Student Engagement Grant will usually involve community service or on- or off-campus service or leadership activities. Some examples of costs that might qualify for support include:

- Materials used for tutoring children or to plan activities for youth in an after-school program.
- Registration fees and travel for students to attend student leadership conferences.
- Costs associated with volunteer work to assist people in poverty or affected by natural disasters. Such work might be done within organized groups such as, for example, Habitat for Humanity or Alternative Spring Break.
- Costs associated with the design and construction of technology aimed at solving worthwhile societal problems (e.g., helping people with disabilities accommodate physical handicaps, or developing Green Technology initiatives).
- Supplies needed for a student organization to hold a meaningful event.
- Seed funding or start-up costs for a new student organization.

Note: Expenses associated with research or travel to conferences to present research are not eligible because there are other college awards aimed at those specific needs (see <http://www.uic.edu/honors/learning/scholarships.shtml> for more details.); however, materials needed for Honors College Capstone senior projects that do not qualify for research funding may be considered.

**Engagement Grant Application Process:** Applications for funds will be accepted on a rolling basis at any time throughout the year until the year's allotment of funding is depleted. Thus, applications made earlier in the academic year might have a better chance of being funded. A complete Honors College Student Engagement Grant Application consists of:

1. Honors College Student Engagement Grant Application Form:  
<http://www.uic.edu/honors/learning/scholarships.shtml>
2. Grant Proposal (2 pages): A narrative proposal should describe the initiative for which funding is requested, the importance of the project, its potential for enhancing student engagement, and the timeline for completion of the project.
3. Budget (1 page): All project expenses must be listed and described in the form of a detailed and well-researched budget. These may include equipment, materials and supplies, and/or travel.
4. The name and contact information for one UIC staff or faculty member who can vouch for the importance of the work.

## Honors College Student Engagement Grant Application Form

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Funding Amount Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Department \_\_\_\_\_

College: \_\_\_\_\_

Year in School (Class): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

UIC Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Reference: The name and contact information for one UIC staff or faculty member who can vouch for the importance of the work.

Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Campus Department or Unit, College: \_\_\_\_\_

UIC Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_