

2017 ILCA Scholarship Application



Name: _____

<p><input type="checkbox"/> School: (check School/Home to indicate preferred correspondence address)</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip: _____</p> <p>Country: _____</p> <p>Phone: _____ Fax: _____</p> <p>Email: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Home:</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip: _____</p> <p>Country: _____</p> <p>Phone: _____ Fax: _____</p> <p>Email: _____</p>
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Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

The information contained within this application is to the best of my knowledge, truthful and valid. Any discrepancy may result in the removal of this application from consideration. I authorize ILCA staff to take any necessary steps to verify the claims made within.

Due Date: March 20, 2017

Illinois Landscape Contractors Association (ILCA) Scholarship Program & Application

Read Before Proceeding with the Application

Five scholarships are available for 2017:

- **One \$10,000 Scholarship**
- **Three \$5,000 Scholarships**
- **One \$2,500 Scholarship**

Application Guidelines (Please Read Carefully)

Applicant must be:

1. A resident of Illinois and enrolled **full-time** in an accredited two- or four-year college horticultural-related program, with course work toward a degree in a horticultural-related program. A horticultural-related program includes, but is not limited to, horticulture, environmental science, landscape architecture, botany, and agronomy.

OR

2. A resident of Illinois and enrolled **part-time** in an accredited two- or four-year college horticultural-related program, who must be working towards a degree in a horticulture-related program. A horticultural-related program includes, but is not limited to, horticulture, environmental science, landscape architecture, botany, and agronomy.

The counselor or department head must stipulate you are working towards a degree in a horticulture-related program in his or her letter.

3. Attending a school located in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Missouri or Iowa. [A previous recipient may reapply – there is a limit of two scholarships.]

Application must include:

- Completed ILCA Scholarship Application
- A letter describing your goals and aspirations in the field of horticulture (not to exceed one 8½" x 11" page).
- A counselor or department head's written evaluation of your classroom performance. For **part time student applicants**, the evaluation must stipulate the applicant is working towards a degree in a horticulture-related program.
- A transcript of grades and cumulative grade point average to date. Please indicate the grade point system used. In order to complete the application, send transcripts from the previous semester.
- Goals and work experience weigh heavily. Please attach evaluations/letters from employers, internship, work study, or any horticulture/landscape experience.

Submission Information and Judging

- **Applications are due in the ILCA office no later than March 20, 2017.** Mail to ILCA, The Scholarship Committee, 2625 Butterfield Road, Suite 104S, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523.
- A recipient may apply for a second scholarship; no more than two may be awarded to an individual.
- Applications will be anonymously judged. Award recipients will be notified about 45-60 days following the deadline.

Payment of Scholarships

- To receive payment, proof of enrollment for the following term must be submitted.
- Checks will be sent to the applicant upon receipt of proof of enrollment. The disbursement deadline is November 1st. A Scholarship Certificate will be awarded at ILCA's Awards Program the following February.
- Please call ILCA with any questions at (630) 472-2851.

Please complete before proceeding	Check box
A. Yes , I have read and will abide by the above rules. I understand that failure to abide by these rules will remove my application from consideration.	

I am (indicate below):

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- Two-Year Program Four-Year Program

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- Two-Year Program Four-Year Program

1. Year Graduated from High School _____

2. Anticipated Year of Graduation _____

School: _____

3. Have you previously received a scholarship from ILCA?

If yes, when _____

(No more than two awards will be made to an individual)

4. Horticulture courses taken that were of most interest (course name and number):

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.

5. Describe your present interest in horticulture.

6. Experience in horticulture:

7. Check the following areas of interest:

- Plants and their Use
- Nursery Management
- Equipment Operation and Care
- Irrigation Management
- Landscape Design/Build
- Golf Course Management
- Landscape Maintenance
- Plant Biology
- Garden Center Management
- Soil Science
- Computer Assisted Landscape Design
- Interior Plantscaping
- Research
- Tree Care/Arboriculture
- Other

Mail Completed Application Packet by March 20, 2017 to:

ILCA

The Scholarship Committee

2625 Butterfield Road, Suite 104S

Oak Brook, Illinois 60523

Questions: Call 630-472-2851 or Email information@ilca.net