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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

<http://www.eiu.edu/~interntl/>

What is an International Student Scholarship?

This scholarship was established by the Board of Trustees to assist students from other countries. Awards are competitive and designed to promote cultural exchange and diversity. Awards may be granted on the basis of one or more of the following factors: financial need and academic excellence. The scholarship pays tuition for minimum full-time enrollment in EIU courses. Fees, field trips, continuing education delivery charges, travel, living expenses, and other personal expenses are not covered.

Eligibility is limited to undergraduate or graduate students maintaining F-1 or J-1 visa status. Only students entering the U.S. with an appropriate visa obtained based on an I-20 or DS-2019 issued by Eastern Illinois University will be considered.

Additional criteria for eligibility are:

A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 (undergraduate), 3.0 (graduate), as converted to the EIU grading scale.

Full academic admission to a degree program

Proof of funding for living expenses and fees (see financial affidavit form at <http://www.eiu.edu/~interntl/>)

Deadlines to apply for an International Student Scholarship are as follows:

March 1 for Fall semester scholarships

October 1 for Spring semester scholarships

Duration of Scholarship:

Contracts are awarded for no more than two semesters at a time. Extensions may be possible for completion of the degree program, provided the student abides by the terms of the contract and funds are available. Candidates in a second bachelor program or a second masters program are not eligible for financial aid from this program.

Scholarship Terms:

Maintenance of F-1 or J-1 student status according to the regulations of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

Enrollment in and retention of 12 semester hours for undergraduate students; 9 semester hours for graduate students during the Fall and Spring semesters.

Courses must be taken for credit and to fulfill degree requirements.

Cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or higher on the undergraduate level and 3.0 on the graduate level is needed for an extension of the scholarship.

Enrollment in the same degree program and major field.

Extension request should be received by the above-stated deadlines.

Please note: Any variations from the terms stated above must have the prior approval from the Office of International Programs. In case of non-compliance, the scholarship will be terminated immediately. The award holder will be responsible for paying the tuition for the semester in question.

Recipients of this award will be required to sign a contract accepting the terms associated with the award.

Please save this information for future reference.