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Dear current undergraduate Art majors and transfer students:

The Department of Art offers the following scholarships and awards for continuing undergraduate art majors and transfer students:

- Talented Student Awards (TSA) – annual award that pays a portion of your tuition
- Grant-in-Aid (GIA) – annual award that pays a portion of tuition or program and service fees

Undergraduate transfer students declaring Art as their major, and continuing full-time undergraduate Art majors with minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 and Art grade point average of 3.00 are eligible to apply for these awards for the upcoming academic year. Once you submit your application and portfolio, you will be considered for both awards.

The TSA and GIA awards are not renewable, however a student may reapply for these awards every academic year in which they are enrolled full-time as an undergraduate Art major at EIU. Both awards are merit based and evaluated on the basis of a student's creative and scholarly ability, and potential as displayed in a digital portfolio of representative samples of his/her artwork or art history research. Art majors in Studio, Graphic Design or Art Education will present for consideration a digital portfolio of recent artwork. Art History majors will include recent art history research papers that would be suitable for presentation at an undergraduate research conference.

Information regarding portfolio requirements and preparing the portfolio are stated on the 2015-2016 Talented Student Award/Grant-in-Aid Application Guidelines sheet. These guidelines and an application can be found on our website at: [http://www.eiu.edu/artdept/applications\\_and\\_forms.php](http://www.eiu.edu/artdept/applications_and_forms.php)

You are encouraged to prepare and submit a portfolio for evaluation by the Department of Art for these awards. All applications and portfolios **must be received by March 25, 2015** for review and consideration of the above scholarships. Late applications will not be reviewed. All applicants will be informed of their status in April of 2015 via email and US Post.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you might have about these scholarships.

Sincerely,

*David Griffin*

David Griffin, Chair – Department of Art