



2026-2027

Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: February 28, 2026*

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Southeastern offers over \$600,000 annually in academic, talent, and athletic scholarships to help students achieve their educational goals. Southeastern also offers many scholarships on behalf of generous donors from the Southeastern district as a way to encourage students in their academic endeavors. This packet includes the application and information regarding each program, performance, ambassador and foundation scholarship.

To apply for scholarships, applicants must:

1. Print and complete the application.
2. Complete a typed 750-1,000-word essay explaining career goals, leadership experience, community involvement and need for the scholarship.
3. Submit high school or current college unofficial transcript.

Additional information, such as portfolio or other documentation, may be requested for performance scholarships. Please see the contact person listed on the performance scholarship page of the application. Performance scholarship deadline is February 28; however, applications may be accepted until all scholarships are awarded.

*Program and Foundation applications must be postmarked no later than **February 28**, with the exception of Student Ambassador applications, which must be postmarked no later than **March 31**.

You may mail your application and documents to the address below.

Attention: Financial Aid Office
Southeastern Illinois College
3575 College Road
Harrisburg, IL 62946

Those students selected to receive a scholarship will be notified by mail or e-mail in late March and early April. Students in high school will be recognized at their high school honors night. Current SIC students will be invited to attend the Honors Program at SIC in April. Please contact us if you have any questions regarding a scholarship at 618.252.5400 ext. 4110 or email us at fao@sic.edu.

Scholarship Application

Please type or write legibly the information below. Be sure to answer every question thoroughly. Any unanswered questions could result in disqualification for scholarships.

Incoming Student (Please provide copy of current high school or college transcript.)

Continuing Student (Please provide copy of current SIC transcript.)

Name: _____ Id# (if known): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Veteran: Yes No

Dependent or Spouse of Veteran: Yes No

Anticipated College Major (or program): _____

High School Attending/Attended: _____

High School Graduation Date: _____

Or GED Completion Date: _____

*Must attach current high school transcript.

*Must attach GED score sheet.

SAT Score: _____ ACT Score: _____ Class Rank: _____ GPA: _____ on _____ scale

Please indicate the scholarship(s) for which you wish to be considered:

Programmatic Scholarships

Associate Degree Nursing

Cosmetology

Diesel Technology

Information Technology

Practical Nursing

Welding Technology

Performance Scholarships**

Competitive Speech & Debate

Dance

Music

Theater

Foundation Scholarships

(By selecting this box, you will be considered for all Foundation Scholarships.)

Student Ambassador (Includes an interview with the Events Coordinator, see page 5 for more information.)

Do you (or your family if a dependent student) use electric services from Southeastern Illinois Electric Co-op? Yes No

Are you a member of the FFA? Yes No

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the policies and procedures governing the award and acceptance of the scholarship, which I may receive as a result of this application. Further, I affirm that the information provided on this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I further understand that applying for a scholarship does not guarantee I will receive an award. I authorize Southeastern Illinois College to discuss my application and/or academic credentials with representatives considering me for a scholarship. My signature also authorizes Southeastern Illinois College to publicize my receipt of any scholarship as appropriate.

Signature

Date

General Information

Eligibility Requirements

All scholarship recipients must be continuously enrolled in at least 12 credit hours for both Fall and Spring semesters. To remain eligible for subsequent semesters, students must successfully complete a minimum of 12 hours with a GPA of 2.5 or above (unless otherwise indicated in scholarship agreement). Program Scholarship recipients must complete a one credit hour volunteer course each semester. This course, SERV 121 Service Learning, consists of providing 32 hours of volunteer work each semester during both fall and spring semesters within the department awarding the scholarship. Failure to meet the minimum requirements determined by each scholarship may result in termination of scholarship. All recipients are required to major in the program area for which the scholarship is awarded. In addition, scholarship recipients are required to participate in extracurricular activities for their respective program area.

Programmatic Scholarship Maximum Annual Value and Benefits

The maximum value of each scholarship is sixteen (16) credit hours of in-district tuition only, unless stated otherwise. Funds will be disbursed on a schedule of eight (8) credit hours of in-district tuition only for the Fall semester and eight (8) credit hours of in-district tuition only for the Spring semester. Unused scholarship money cannot be transferred to the next semester. Scholarship benefits are limited to tuition. The total amount may not exceed 8 credit hours of in-district tuition per semester.

Performance Scholarships

To apply for one of the scholarships below, you must contact the faculty member or supervisor listed below.

❖ **Competitive Speech and Debate**

Selection criteria for Competitive Speech Team scholarships are based on talent, letters of recommendation, and academic achievements.

Please contact Jenny Billman at (618) 252-5400, ext. 2230 or email at jenny.billman@sic.edu

❖ **Dance**

Selection criteria for Dance scholarships are based on talent, letters of recommendation, and academic achievements.

Please contact Joshua Kimball at (618) 252-5400, ext. 2431 or email at joshua.kimball@sic.edu

❖ **Music**

Music scholarships are based on academic standing, musical ability, letters of recommendation, and an individual audition with the music director (set by appointment). Music scholarship students are expected to participate in all musical productions and activities. Students are not required to major in music; however, they must be enrolled in music theory courses, private lessons, and an ensemble in order to stay on scholarship.

Please contact Cory Garmane at (618) 252-5400, ext. 2235, or email at cory.garmane@sic.edu.

❖ **Theater**

Selection criteria for Theater scholarships are based on talent, letters of recommendation, academic achievements, and experience.

Please contact Gareth York at (618) 252-5400 ext. 2485 or email at gareth.york@sic.edu.

Performance Scholarship Maximum Annual Value and Benefits

The maximum value of a Performance Scholarship is nineteen (19) credit hours of in-district tuition only, unless stated otherwise. Scholarship balances remaining after the end of the semester or academic year are not refundable or transferable.

Student Ambassador Scholarships

Student Ambassador Scholarships are awarded annually to five graduating seniors and five college freshmen. Individuals selected to be Ambassadors will serve as liaisons for the College at their home high school, community events, special college events, parades, and college recruitment activities. This list is not inclusive of all possible activities. **Applicants must complete an Ambassador Scholarship form in addition to the general Southeastern scholarship application.** If chosen, applicants will be contacted for an interview.

The deadline to apply is March 31 or until filled. *Please contact Kellye Whitler to request your Student Ambassador application at (618) 252-5400, ext. 2486 or (618) 841-4649 or email at kellye.whitler@sic.edu.*

Student Ambassador Scholarship Maximum Annual Value and Benefits

The maximum value of each scholarship is sixteen (16) credit hours of in-district tuition only, unless stated otherwise. Funds will be disbursed on a schedule of eight (8) credit hours of in-district tuition only for the Fall semester and eight (8) credit hours of in-district tuition only for the Spring semester. Unused scholarship money cannot be transferred to the next semester. Scholarship benefits are limited to tuition. The total amount may not exceed 8 credit hours of in-district tuition per semester.

Foundation Scholarships

All applicants will be considered for all Foundation Scholarships.

- ❖ **HARRY W. ABELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded each year to an outstanding freshman student who plans to continue his or her college education after graduating from Southeastern and who demonstrates the qualities of excellence, leadership, and community service.
- ❖ **SUZANNE ALEXANDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in computer science.
- ❖ **DENNIS ALLEN SPEECH SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a sophomore with a concentration in the humanities division.
- ❖ **HAROLD BAUMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a student enrolled full-time with financial need and demonstrating above average academic standards.
- ❖ **DOROTHY HELEN BALDWIN HARRISBURG BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship award that recognizes excellence among business students. Qualifications include demonstrating above average academic standards, a strong devotion to the field of business, and a desire to succeed.
- ❖ **RUTH BAIRD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship awarded based on academic performance and financial need.
- ❖ **JOHN BENNEWITZ/JULIE FOWLER ORANGE MEMORIAL ART SCHOLARSHIPS**
A scholarship is awarded to a student with an interest in art who demonstrates high academic standards.
- ❖ **EDWARD A. BRADLEY, SR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to recognize scholastic achievement and outstanding leadership, attributes Mr. Bradley felt were of great value.

❖ **RODNEY J. BRENNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship is awarded to a Pope County High School student who must exhibit and maintain high academic standards and display outstanding qualities of citizenship.

❖ **ALLEN BRICKHAUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship will be awarded to an incoming freshman who is a recent graduate of Pope County or Massac County High School. This student must be majoring in education, must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale, as well as demonstrate characteristics of good citizenship.

❖ **CARLA'S WINGS OF A BUTTERFLY NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship will be awarded to a student accepted into the ADN program having completed an accredited PN program. This student must demonstrate characteristics of good citizenship and must have a minimum GPA of a B.

❖ **GLADYS AND RAYMOND CARROLL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship will be awarded to a sophomore enrolled full time with a minimum of 24 credit hours completed at Southeastern Illinois College. The student must be in good academic standing and maintain a 3.0 average.

❖ **COMPANION PET RESCUE SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship will be awarded during the second semester of the recipient's first year. Student must be involved in a field of study with focus on animal welfare or environmental preservation.

❖ **MARGARET CONLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship is awarded to a student who is a Hardin County High School student or Hardin County resident and have financial need and average academic achievement.

❖ **MR. DON COOPER, DR. TERRY COOPER, AND MRS. LINDA COOPER SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship will be awarded to an in-district student who demonstrates financial need.

❖ **GEORGE COX MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship is awarded to a student enrolled full-time in an associate in applied science degree or certificate program in Automotive Technology or Diesel Technology.

❖ **JOHN & AUDREY COYLE SCHOLARSHIP**

A scholarship is awarded to a full-time student at Southeastern with at least a B average in high school who has demonstrated a propensity for academic success. The student must be a graduate of a high school in SIC's district, with first priority to Gallatin and Saline counties. Priority preference given to nursing and education majors, with engineering majors given secondary consideration.

❖ **DELTA SHRINE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**

The scholarship is available to a Hardin County High School graduate who must have completed a minimum of 30 credit hours at SIC and be of sophomore standing.

❖ **MADELINE DEMPSEY ALLIED HEALTH SCHOLARSHIP**

A monetary award to be given to a student enrolled in the Health Occupations Program.

- ❖ **GEORGE T. DENNIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
The recipient shall have a concentration in humanities and be an enrolled sophomore with high academic standards.
- ❖ **DIEFENBACH FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**
The scholarship will be awarded to a Saline county graduate with a financial need and above average academic standards.
- ❖ **JOHN B. DOTSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a student enrolled full-time with a financial need and high academic achievement.
- ❖ **RICHARD EDWARD DUNK JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a student in their second year of any diesel or welding program.
- ❖ **JARRELL EASLEY (FFA) MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a student with a membership and active participation in a high school FFA program.
- ❖ **JESSE & MARY EDWARDS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a student with the criteria of academic performance, financial need, and preference given to residents of White County.
- ❖ **EWING-ZUMWALT SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to an incoming freshman, enrolled fulltime at Southeastern Illinois College, majoring in Allied Health/Nursing, Math/Science, or a Business Program. This student must have a 3.0-4.0 GPA, must be a United States citizen, and reside in the Southeastern Illinois College District.
- ❖ **MATTHEW J. FRY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a full-time student who is in a Business-related degree program, A.A.S. or A.S, a sophomore student graduating from Southeastern Illinois College in the spring, resides in the five- county college district, have a C grade point average or higher, and demonstrates financial need.
- ❖ **JAYLYNN FERRELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student who is accepted and enrolled as an ADN nursing student at Southeastern Illinois College the first year, accepted and enrolled in ADN or LPN nursing Sophomore year, registered as full-time at Southeastern Illinois College, has good academic standing, is dedicated to a nursing profession and patient care, is a United State citizen, has financial need, but not required, and is a resident of the Southeastern Illinois College district.
- ❖ **C. R. GARDNER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship awarded based on academic performance and financial need.
- ❖ **EVA GERSBACHER SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student with an interest in biology and excellent academic performance.

- ❖ **GFWC ILLINOIS DISTRICT 25 ELDORADO WOMAN'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student who graduated from Eldorado High School that is a sophomore graduating in May and plans to transfer to a four-year college or university.
- ❖ **PAUL HALBERSLEBEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship awarded based on academic performance and financial need.
- ❖ **HEARN FAMILY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a recent graduate of Carrier Mills High School, who is a member of the rifle team, the archery team, or a nursing student, who will be attending Southeastern Illinois College in the fall. If no one is available from Carrier Mills it may go to a Harrisburg student.
- ❖ **MICHAEL HILLEGAS CHAPTER D.A.R. SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a graduate from Gallatin County High School, Hardin County High School, or any Saline County High School (Carrier Mills-Stonefort, Eldorado, Galatia, Harrisburg). The student shall be a freshman enrolled full time and fulfilling the requirements of a first year to be considered for this scholarship. To receive the scholarship funds, the student shall be enrolled for the following year full time with enough acquired credits to be classified as a sophomore. The student must also have at leave an overall B average or better.
- ❖ **ROCK HITES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a first-year student in a vocational/technical program and demonstrate a commitment to a career in natural resource conservation.
- ❖ **MAXINE THERESA HOBBS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
The applicant is to be enrolled in the RN program and a graduate of Hardin County High School. The scholarship is based on high academic performance.
- ❖ **GENE HUMPHREY SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF HUGHIE E. HUMPHREY**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student who graduated from a high school in the district, who has a minimum GPA average of a B, who is enrolled full-time at SIC, who demonstrates the characteristics of good citizenship, and must be majoring in a Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM) discipline.
- ❖ **WILMA HUNTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an in-district student who demonstrates extreme financial need and has a minimum GPA of a C.
- ❖ **IHIA HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an Illinois resident, enrolled in a health care program that provides direct medical care to individuals. The student should intend to practice in Illinois or in an area out of state directly benefitting Illinoisans, e.g., a city near the Illinois border where Illinoisans go for primary health care, demonstrate financial need (does not exclude middle-income students), and demonstrate a desire to complete a health career program.
- ❖ **INTERNATIONAL POLICE ASSOCIATION REGION 57 SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an incoming freshman. They should be enrolled at Southeastern Illinois College full time. The student should have an overall GPA of 2.0 and be majoring in Criminal Justice.

- ❖ **JIM & VELDENE KENRECK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an incoming freshman who graduated from Hardin County High School. They should be enrolled at Southeastern Illinois College full time. The student should have an overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and demonstrate financial need, but is not required.
- ❖ **KRIS KILMER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
The student applicant is to be an incoming freshman and graduate from Gallatin County High School.
- ❖ **“WUWU” LOU COOLEY KING NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student accepted into the ADN program, who has maintained a 3.0 GPA for nursing prerequisite courses. The chosen recipient must portray qualities and aspirations that indicate a commitment to the field of nursing and community involvement. Preference is given to graduates of Eldorado High School.
- ❖ **KATHY KING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in nursing, who graduated from an in-district high school, and has a minimum GPA of a 3.0. Preference is given to a nontraditional student accepted into the A.D.N. program.
- ❖ **MADDOX FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to an incoming freshman student based on academic performance and financial need.
- ❖ **JUNE RICE MALAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to a student with interest in math and science and demonstration of high academic standards.
- ❖ **WARREN J. & DOROTHY MEYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a Norris City-Omaha-Enfield High School student that demonstrates an interest and talent in music.
- ❖ **JUDITH ELAINE MILLIGAN-BAUGHER NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in nursing, who demonstrates characteristics of good citizenship, and has a minimum GPA of a B.
- ❖ **EARL P. MINGS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Earl spent his life as a rural Galatia/Raleigh resident and wanted to help students, who also reside in Saline County, continue their education. This scholarship will be awarded based on consideration of career goals, financial need, and other criteria, with preference given to Galatia High School graduates.
- ❖ **FAYE MITCHELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to an Education Major with financial need, along with good academic standing.

- ❖ **EUGENE & CALLIE WALDEN MORRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is to be awarded to a student working towards an Associate Degree in Arts, Science, or Liberal Arts that will transfer to a university to pursue a teaching degree or administrative education degree. The applicant should demonstrate high academic performance.
- ❖ **GLENN MUCKLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship to be awarded to a student enrolled in a business-related program. Recipient must reside in Saline County, preference given to graduate of Eldorado High School.
- ❖ **CATHERINE OLDHAM SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student who has a C or better GPA, demonstrates EXTREME financial need, and must reside within the Southeastern Illinois College district.
- ❖ **DIZ PEARSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an enrolled incoming freshman, must be a full-time student at Southeastern Illinois College, have a 3.0-4.0 GPA, must be a United States citizen, have financial aid but it's not required and reside in the Southeastern Illinois College District.
- ❖ **JOE PEARSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an incoming freshman who graduated from an in-district high school, is a United States citizen, and exhibits a strong commitment to the community. A student with financial need and a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale is preferred.
- ❖ **ORLAN & MARGERY PHILLIPS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in education, with preference given to those who have graduated from Gallatin County High School and are pursuing a career as an elementary or high school teacher. The chosen recipient must have an overall GPA of a B.
- ❖ **SAM PORTER SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to one freshman and one sophomore student that have an interest in chemistry and high academic achievement.
- ❖ **WARREN & NOVETA KING-PRIEST SCHOLARSHIP**
The award will be given to a student who will be working towards a baccalaureate transfer degree where student plans to pursue a teaching degree or any educational degree and demonstrating high academic performance.
- ❖ **RICE-MURPHY SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship is awarded to an incoming freshman enrolled fulltime in either Humanities or Career and Technical Education Programs at Southeastern Illinois College. This student must have a 3.0-4.0 GPA, must be a United States citizen, and reside in the Southeastern Illinois College District.
- ❖ **LELA FRANCES "FRANNIE" ROBERTS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an enrolled incoming freshman majoring in cosmetology. This student must demonstrate characteristics of good citizenship and reside in the Southeastern Illinois College District.

- ❖ **ROSICLARE CHAPTER #971 ORDER OF EASTERN STAR SCHOLARSHIP**
The amount of scholarship will be determined at the time of the award. The scholarship is available to a Hardin County High School graduate that must have completed a minimum of 30 hours of credit at SIC and be of sophomore standing. One-half of the scholarship will be awarded at the beginning of the recipient's 3rd semester and the remaining one-half to be awarded at the beginning of the recipient's 4th semester.
- ❖ **FRANK SCHNEIDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student majoring in math & science, who graduated from an in-district high school and has a minimum GPA of a B. The student must also demonstrate the characteristics of good citizenship.
- ❖ **CHERYL SHULTZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a first-generation student who graduated from an SIC in-district high school and demonstrates the characteristics of good citizenship.
- ❖ **SARC SCHOLARSHIP**
This award is given to two sophomores at SIC that is enrolled as an education major specializing in providing service to the cognitively disabled.
- ❖ **SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student who demonstrates academic excellence and whose family uses electric services from the cooperative.
- ❖ **JAMES R. TISON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to an incoming freshman pursuing an Engineering Degree, must be a full-time Southeastern Illinois College student, have a GPA of 3.0- 4.0 in High School, student financial aid is needed but not required, he/she must have attended high school or equivalent in the Southeastern Illinois College district, must be a Saline County Resident.
- ❖ **DR. WARREN TUTTLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a second-year nursing student at SIC, must be enrolled full time, have an overall 3.5 GPA, a United States citizen, demonstrate financial need, but not required, and must be a resident of the Southeastern Illinois College district.
- ❖ **AUSTIN & DORIS WELCH MEMORIAL ART SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship award is given to a student with an interest in art and high academic achievement.
- ❖ **G.B. & ANNE WILEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
The recipient shall be a recent graduate of Harrisburg High School, enrolled full-time in the college's Pre-Engineering A.S. Degree Program and demonstrate high academic performance.
- ❖ **DAVE WIMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship will be awarded to a student graduating from Hardin County High School, who demonstrates financial need, and exhibits the characteristics of good citizenship. The student must have a minimum overall GPA of a 3.0. Preference is given to a student who demonstrates participation in community service projects.

- ❖ **SIC ALUMNI & FRIENDS BARBARA MORGAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship awarded to an incoming freshman who demonstrates academic excellence.

- ❖ **LAW ENFORCEMENT'S FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP**
A scholarship awarded to an incoming freshman majoring in Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice.

**This is not a comprehensive list and there is a possibility for more scholarships to be published. Please check the website for the latest updates. The Southeastern Illinois College Foundation reserves the right to withhold the awarding of a scholarship if there is no applicant that meets the qualifications established by the donor.*