

ACES BOOSTS STUDENT ENROLLMENT THROUGH TRANSFORMATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

No one can deny the value of a University of Illinois education. For over 150 years, from the College of Agriculture to the College of ACES, we have attracted the best and brightest students. We are preparing the next generation of experts and change leaders to positively influence their disciplines, their communities, and the world. Scholarships are instrumental in this process. Drawn by lower tuition and more attractive scholarship offers, a growing number of Illinois students are choosing out-of-state colleges.



OPPORTUNITY:

Economic Impact

College of ACES scholarships are an investment in the state of Illinois economy. The more students we can attract and retain with competitive scholarship offers, the higher the chance they find a career and stay in the state of Illinois.

Accessibility

As a premiere land-grant college, the College of ACES is dedicated to providing students opportunities to attend the University of Illinois that may have otherwise not been possible. As tuition rises and competition at neighboring universities has increased, many high caliber students are relying upon scholarship dollars as their motivating factor when deciding where they will ultimately attend. For others, regardless of academic credentials, scholarship funding creates accessibility to higher education.

Value-Added Education

The College of ACES family includes smart and diverse students who develop into accomplished alumni. They serve as leaders on campus and go on to become leaders in their professions and communities. The College of ACES provides a world-class, value-added education for individuals who are more attractive to employers, become more impactful professionals, and make exceptional contributions to society. Leadership training, experiential learning opportunities, and research experiences enhance classroom instruction making our students career-ready upon graduation.



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RESOURCES REQUIRED:

Additional scholarship support is needed to attract and retain 50 additional students every year.

To match competitive offers, we need to secure scholarship funding specifically for the recruitment of highly sought-after students (especially from Illinois). This will allow us to continuously and actively recruit and offer competitive, individually-tailored scholarship packages to an additional 50 students every year. As a result, the college will see a transformational increase of 200 students (10%) enrolled in the University of Illinois College of ACES by 2021.



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