



Illinois State Organization

Description of State Funds

The Lambda State Foundation for Educational Studies, Inc.

The Lambda State Foundation for Educational Studies, Inc. provides funds to Illinois State Organization members, chapters, or coordinating councils in Illinois State working on an educational research project or a special innovative project that will improve and enhance education in Illinois; funds also aid in the publication of the results of such research and special projects. The amount of the stipend will vary and shall be determined by the Foundation Board. Stipends will be awarded as determined by the income balance in the Lambda State Foundation Fund. The Foundation may award the following based on descriptions of each fund:

- Pat Ostewig for fine arts projects
- Lettie Skidmore Fund for library related projects
- Alfred Chalberg fund for financial assistance for projects to improve education in Illinois
- Foundation for educational projects

See www.deltakappagamma.org/IL for stipend guidelines/application; application must be submitted electronically by November 1 or May 1.

Contact: Lambda State Foundation for Educational Studies, Inc. Chair

Grant-in-Aid Fund

The Grant-in-Aid is awarded to a full-time female Illinois college/university student (Illinois resident) who may be studying in the field of education. The recipient must be a present or former chapter or state recruitment grant or grant-in-aid recipient. Only one application per chapter may be submitted. The fund shall receive contributions from chapters, individuals, foundations or other income sources. The Grant, not to exceed \$2,000, may be given annually. Monies received at the end of the fiscal year shall be distributed by the Educational Excellence Committee for the grant(s). The remaining money shall be reinvested. *S.R. 1.23

See www.deltakappagamma.org/IL for criteria/application; application must be submitted electronically by February 1.

Contact: Illinois State Organization Educational Excellence Chair

Women in the Arts Fund

The Women in the Arts Fund funds the M. Josephine O'Neil Arts Award presented in the odd-numbered years at the Illinois State Organization Convention to a female college student(s) majoring in one or more fields of the arts – music, dance, drama, or fine arts. The applicant must be approaching her junior year at an accredited college/university and be a legal resident of Illinois. The Women in the Arts Committee determines the criteria and amount of the award(s) not to exceed \$6,000. *S.R. 1.24

See www.deltakappagamma.org/IL for criteria/application; application must be submitted electronically by February 1 of the odd-numbered years.

Contact: Illinois State Organization Women in the Arts Chair

Scholarship Fund

Illinois State Organization offers scholarships to members based upon the availability of funds in the Scholarship Fund. The number and amount of scholarships/stipends are recommended to the Executive Board at the state convention. Scholarships are given in the following categories:

- For one academic year of full-time foreign or domestic study
- For a minimum of twelve semester hours or the equivalent of foreign or domestic study
- For a minimum of six semester hours for undergraduate or graduate work
- For special study stipends to develop skills which promote professional and personal growth

To qualify for scholarships/special study stipends, an applicant shall be a member of Illinois State Organization and have completed three years of membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (prior to the application deadline), provide evidence of active participation, and have shown leadership in the Society. Scholarships shall be used for study at an accredited college or university within two years of the date of receiving the award. Full-time scholarships must be used within a consecutive twelve-month enrollment period. Special studies stipends are for educational experiences (seminar, workshop, course, etc.) that develop skills which promote professional and personal growth.

**S.R. 1.32G*

Illinois State Organization may award up to the following:

- For a minimum of six hours of undergraduate or graduate work
- For special study stipends for the previous calendar year
- For the Emma Reinhardt Scholarship
- For the Emile U. Lepthien Scholarship for study in Educational Administration
- \$2,500 for the William C & Elizabeth Iwert Scholarship for undergraduate or graduate studies

See www.deltakappagamma.org/IL for criteria/application/deadline.

Contact: Illinois State Organization Scholarship Chair

** Refer to Illinois State Organization Standing Rules for official wording, criteria, procedures*

The amounts unless stated for scholarships and stipends may vary from year to year.