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**2025 Central-Iowa Scholarship Application**

# Scholarship Overview

Through the generous support of our chapter, the IIA Central-Iowa Chapter has established a scholarship fund to provide financial assistance to those interested in pursuing educational opportunities in the field of information systems/ technology (IS/IT), computer sciences, finance, accounting, risk management, or related studies (i.e., hereafter, the “Scholarship”). Individuals interested in applying for the Scholarship must complete the application and related information requirements as noted below. If you have any questions regarding this Scholarship application, please email:

[**The IIA Central-Iowa @** chapter96events@iiachaptercommunications.org](mailto:The%20IIA%20Central-Iowa%20@%20chapter96events@iiachaptercommunications.org)and indicate “2025/2026 IIA Central-Iowa Scholarship”” in the subject line.6

# Scholarship Award

The IIA Heartland-Iowa Chapter is allocating **$1,250** for the 2025-2026 academic year Scholarship fund. Two (2)

$1250 awards will be available for individual Scholarship. The Scholarship awards will be made payable in the name of the recipient.

# Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

The IIA Central-Iowa Chapter has established the following eligibility criteria for the 2025-2026. Scholarship award requirements:

1. All candidates must be pursuing a bachelor’s or master's degree.
2. All awards can be used for part-time and full-time programs.
3. The Scholarship award is applicable for one school year term only (2025-2026). However, recipients may re-apply in subsequent years.
4. Students must be enrolled for the 2025-2026 academic year, focusing on information systems (IS), IT/Computer sciences, accounting, finance, risk management or related studies.
5. Students must be enrolled in an accredited university or community college in the Central Iowa region.
6. Minimum 3.25 (out of 4.0) Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA).
7. Completion of the scholarship application form, including supporting information.
8. Scholarship awards will be granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or national origin.
9. International students are welcome to apply.
10. Recipient is invited and encouraged to attend, during the award period: 2-chapter events (free of charge) / 1 virtual

IIA Heartland-Chapter board meeting to receive the reward.

# Scholarship Procedures and Selection Criteria

The Scholarship application form and supporting documentation must be submitted electronically to the IIA Central Chapter Scholarship Committee [chapter96events@iiachaptercommunications.org](mailto:chapter96events@iiachaptercommunications.org)no later than 11:59 pm US Central on March 31, 2025. Late submissions will not be accepted. All decisions made by the Scholarship Committee shall be considered final. Final award decisions will be made no later than February 28, 2025. The Scholarship Committee will review and evaluate all applications and supporting documentation and will award the Scholarships based on:

* + Individuals that exhibit a sincere desire for further education or training in the related fields expressed above;
  + Individual achievement as evidenced through participation in outside interests and activities, leadership roles and/or work experience;
  + Grade point average and/or academic credentials; and,
  + Other criteria as deemed appropriate by the Scholarship Committee.

**Section 1 – Personal Information**

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| Name: | |
| Campus Address: | Permanent Address: |
| Campus Phone: | Home or Cell Phone: |
| Email Address: | |

**Section 2 – Academic Information**

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| **University Name:** |  |
| **GPA:** |  |
| **Major(s):** |  |
| **Expected Graduation Date:** |  |
| **Number of Credit**  **Hours Completed:** |  |

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| **University Name:** |  |
| **GPA:** |  |
| **Major(s):** |  |
| **Expected**  **Graduation Date:** |  |
| **Number of Credit Hours Completed:** |  |

**Section 3 – Activities and Interests**

1. List and briefly describe any relevant work experience:

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| **Position and Responsibilities** | **Employer** | **Dates of Employment** |
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1. List and briefly describe *volunteer* activities in which you have been involved:

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| **Organization Name** | **Position Held (Dates)** | **Description** |
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1. List *honors* or *academic awards* you have received (e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.):

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| **Award/Honor** | **Institution/Organization** | **Date(s)** |
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1. List and briefly describe your *extracurricular* activities (e.g. memberships in organizations, sports, etc.):

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| **Organization Name** | **Position Held (Dates)** | **Description** |
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**Section 4 – Short Essays *(limit your responses to 300 words per question – you may use this form and the text boxes below to answer, or you may attach a separate document)***

1. Describe how any of the above experiences have influenced your decision to pursue a career in the fields of information systems (IS), computer science, finance, accounting, risk management, or related studies:
2. What are your future career aspirations or goals? How will receiving the scholarship aid in accomplishing this?
3. Is there any other information that we should know about you? This is your opportunity to include information that is not contained in other areas of the application. *Please be specific.*

**Section 5 – Release of Information**

I authorize the release of all Scholarship materials to the members of the IIA Central-Iowa Chapter Committee and its appointees. I certify that I have read and complied with the directions and requirements for applying for the IIA Central-Iowa Chapter 2025-2026 Scholarship. I hereby assert that all information submitted is accurate and complete. I also understand that I may be contacted by the IIA Central-Iowa Chapter Scholarship committee or an appointee during this process for purposes of further clarifying information submitted and to respond to any additional questions that the IIA Central-Iowa Chapter Scholarship Committee has as it relates to my submission.

*Signature of Applicant Date*

**Section 6 – Scholarship Application Submission Check List**

Application form

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 One (1) current letter of recommendation

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