



Illini Science Policy Program

2023 SCHOLAR APPLICATION TEMPLATE

Application deadline: on or before April 8, 2022

Applications must include the following:

1. Completion of this document, the Scholar Application Template. This includes a personal statement that emphasizes the applicant's abilities and interests and the applicant's expectations of the program (800 words or less).
2. Personal and academic curriculum vitae (two pages or less using 12-point font).
3. Two letters of professional recommendation, including one from the student's major professor. If no major professor exists, the faculty member who is most familiar with the applicant academically may be substituted. A template for the reference letter is available on the ISP website.
4. Copies of graduate student transcripts. Unofficial copies will be accepted.
5. Submit the application as one pdf to uie-connection@illinois.edu (*Application template, personal statement, vitae. Transcripts can be sent separately. Letters of reference must be sent separately directly from your reference.*)

Any questions, contact Dr. Evangeline S. Pianfetti at esecaras@illinois.edu

Applicant Information

Eligibility: 2023 Illini Science Policy Scholar appointments will be granted to select graduate students completing an advanced degree (e.g. Masters, Doctoral, J.D., professional) from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign between May 1, 2021 and Aug 31, 2022.

If you are selected as part of the 2023 ISP Scholar Cohort, proof of graduation between May 2021 – August 2022 is expected.

Personal information

Name: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____

Degree information

Academic Program: _____ Degree: _____
Major advisor: _____ Date of graduation: _____

Host Agency Information

Each selected host agency has prepared a project synopsis of the scope of work illustrating some of the work / projects their Scholar will be involved in over the 12-month period. Please review and indicate the host(s) you would like to apply to as a 2023 Scholar. (Check all that apply)

State Agencies:

- Illinois Department of Agriculture, Division of Natural Resources
- Illinois Board of Higher Education, College Ready
- Illinois Board of Higher Education, Early Childhood
- Illinois Department of Innovation & Technology, Education Group
- Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity, Office of Broadband

Legislative Offices

- Illinois Legislative Black Caucus / Black Caucus Foundation
- Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus / Latino Caucus Foundation
- Illinois Office of the Lieutenant Governor Juliana Stratton
- Illinois Congressional Office (pending)

Disclaimer and Signature

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

If this application leads to a program match, I understand that false or misleading information in my application or interview may result in termination of the match.

Applicant signature: _____ Date: _____

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Personal Statement

Personal statements should identify the applicant's educational and career goals, abilities and interests, and expectations of the Illini Science Policy Scholars Program. The statement should also indicate how the applicants see themselves as a best fit for the host(s) they hope to match with.

To apply, send completed materials to uie-connection@illinois.edu.

Not to exceed 800 words.

**Review host profiles on the Illini Science Policy Program Page to understand the appointments that are available on the Illini Science Policy Program Web Site.*

