The Family and Consumer Sciences Recruitment and Retention Scholarship Guidelines

The Family and Consumer Sciences Recruitment and Retention Endowed Scholarship was established by Dr. Charlotte E. (Carr) Talkington in August 2014. Dr. Talkington was born in Morris, Illinois, and graduated from Illinois State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics in 1961. She continued with her education and received a Masters of Education from the University of Illinois in 1966, and a Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University in 1978. After serving as a high school teacher, Dr. Talkington spent 25 years as a faculty member at ISU, becoming known as a dedicated teacher and professional both on campus and throughout the region.

Scholarship Candidate Qualifications

Each candidate for the Family and Consumer Sciences Recruitment and Retention Endowed Scholarship must be or have:

A. Accepted for enrollment at Illinois State University.
B. An incoming freshman majoring in one of the programs in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at Illinois State University with preference given to a Teacher Education major. This scholarship is renewable for a maximum of an additional three years as long as the student continues to meet the required qualifications.
C. Demonstrated academic achievement as evidenced by a comparable cumulative high school GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for incoming freshmen. This cumulative GPA must be maintained all of the subsequent years to continue to qualify for renewal of this scholarship for a maximum of three additional years.
D. Demonstrated financial need.
E. Demonstrated high school involvement in leadership activities, community service, and/or achieved awards and honors.

- One new freshman recipient, with a declared FCS major will be selected each year.
- Recipients must remain a declared major in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences in order to continue receiving the scholarship. If the recipient changes her/his major, s/he will forfeit the scholarship.
- To be considered for any scholarship that lists financial need as a selection criterion, applicants must have a current FAFSA filed with the Financial Aid Office and must sign the financial release form included in the scholarship application packet.
- Scholarship awards are applied directly to the recipient’s Student Account for the fall 2016 semester after the fall 2016 Census Day.
- Recipients must be enrolled as a student at Illinois State University and continue to meet the selection criteria as of fall 2016 Census Day.
Family and Consumer Sciences
Recruitment and Retention Scholarship Application

Applicant’s name _______________________________________________ UID#: __________________

Permanent Address ____________________________________________________________
Number & Street

________________________________________________________________________
City State Zip Code

Phone __________________________ Email Address ____________________________

Program:
___ Apparel Design & Merchandising (ADM)  ___ Interior Design (ID)
___ Food Nutrition & Dietetics (FND)  ___ Human Development & Family Sciences (HDFS)
___ Teacher Education (TE)

Anticipated Start Date at ISU (Month/Year)____________________

Will you be a full-time ISU student? Yes No

High School GPA __________________________ Class Rank (if available): _____ out of ______

List membership and offices held in student clubs, honor societies, etc. while in high school.

List honors and awards you have received in high school:

List evidence of leadership in your community and/or through work experience.
Please type two essays (up to 250 words each) addressing the following topics:

Essay 1:
- Describe your career goals and how this scholarship will assist you in reaching these goals.

Essay 2:
- Explain why you have selected Family and Consumer Sciences as a field of study and include how this field will impact you personally, in your future career, and how it will influence others in the future.

Provide two recommendation letters. At least one must be from a teacher; the other could be from a teacher or a supervisor from a volunteer/work experience. List their names here and contact information below:

1. Name: _______________________________ Email/Phone: _____________________

2. Name: _______________________________ Email/Phone: _____________________

Letters should be emailed to the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences, fcs@ilstu.edu by the advertised deadline.

YOUR APPLICATION AND LETTERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OFFICE BY THE END OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 15th, 2016
If I am a recipient of a scholarship awarded by the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences at Illinois State University, I hereby give permission for the release of my name and the scholarship award for the purpose of announcing and recognizing scholarship recipients and for notifying donors.

__________________________________________  ______________
Signature                                      Date

Financial Aid Release Form:

This form must be completed in order to be eligible for any scholarship awarded by the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences that has financial need as one of the selection criteria. If this form is not completed, you will not be considered for any scholarship that has financial need as one of the selection criteria.

I give my permission for the Financial Aid Office at Illinois State University to release information regarding my financial need for the 2015-2016 academic year to the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences. Information will be treated as confidential and is to be used for the sole purpose of evaluating my application for scholarships awarded by the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Student’s Signature: _____________________________

Student’s Name Printed: ___________________________

University ID Number: ___________________________

Date: ______________________________