



**DONALD F. MCHENRY FELLOWSHIP**  
Application Form

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Donald F. McHenry, a former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations and a 1957 graduate of Illinois State University, attributed much of the success in his diplomatic career to his experience at Illinois State. While a student, McHenry strengthened his communication skills and deepened his understanding of the great issues that helped him so ably serve the United States as Ambassador to the United Nations. Dr. McHenry participated in many student activities, including the student chapter of the NAACP, theater productions, the student radio station, and the debate team which he captained in 1956, the same year he was named Outstanding Debater at Illinois State and in the United States. Dr. McHenry also cites Illinois State as a place where he made lifelong friends. Illinois State provides many of its graduates with experiences that influence the rest of their lives.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be U.S. citizens of African, Asian, Hispanic, or Native American ethnicity, admitted into an Illinois State University graduate degree program, attend on a full-time basis, and demonstrate financial need and academic potential.

**Terms:** The stipend for the Fellowship is \$3,000. A tuition waiver for the academic year (two semesters) will also be provided. Priority in selection will be given to first year students. The McHenry Fellowship recipient may also accept a graduate assistantship if one is awarded by the academic department. Receipt of this award may impact other financial aid that a student receives. Awards will be announced by April 15.

**Instructions:** There are three sections to this application. Read and complete all sections of the application. Submit application and supporting materials no later than March 15. (If this date falls on a weekend, the Monday after the 15th will be the due date.)

**Section 1. Student Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

	Last	First	Middle	UID	ISU Email
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Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

	Street	City	State	Zip	Phone Number
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Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

	Street	City	State	Zip	Phone Number
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Major area of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree (check one): Master's  MFA  SSP  Doctorate

Expected date for completion of the degree: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 2. Supporting Materials**

- Letters of Reference. Two letters of reference must be received in the Graduate School no later than March 15. (If these deadlines fall on the weekend, the Monday after the 15th will be the due date.) The applicant is responsible for ensuring that the recommendation letters are received on time. The letters must be sent by the referees directly to, jlkeena@ilstu.edu, with the subject line: MCHENRY FELLOWSHIP REVIEW.

Names of referees

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**Note:** Official transcripts will be secured by the Selection Committee. Applicants do not need to submit copies.

2. Personal Statements: Applicants must submit two statements of no more than 250 words each--one on each topic listed below:

a. Statement of Leadership Ability. Provide information about demonstrated leadership ability and how you perceive your leadership ability as being helpful in your career.

b. Statement of Career Goals and Research Interests. Please state your career goals and research interests and relate how you perceive this award as being instrumental toward achieving those goals and pursuing those interests.

**Section 3. Financial Information**

Have you received financial aid in previous years?  Yes  No If yes, indicate type(s).  
 Academic Scholarship from College/University  Pell  National Direct Student Loan  
 Private Academic Scholarship  Bank Loan  Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant  
 Other (name) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for other financial aid for the period of this application?  Yes  No  
If yes, name: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you expect to receive any other fellowship during the period of this application?  Yes  No  
If yes, name: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of dependents (include self): \_\_\_\_\_ Veteran:  Yes  No

Provide, as best you can, an estimate of expenses and financial resources expected for the academic year for which you are seeking this fellowship. Use the comments section to explain any special circumstances.

**ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR APPLICATION PERIOD**

Employment (self) \_\_\_\_\_  
Employment (spouse) \_\_\_\_\_  
Alimony/Child support \_\_\_\_\_  
Family/Employer support \_\_\_\_\_  
Scholarship \_\_\_\_\_  
Institutional support \_\_\_\_\_  
Savings \_\_\_\_\_  
Loans \_\_\_\_\_  
Other (specify) Installment payments \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total resources** \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR APPLICATION PERIOD**

Tuition & Fees \_\_\_\_\_  
Books & Supplies \_\_\_\_\_  
Rent/Housing \_\_\_\_\_  
Food/Board \_\_\_\_\_  
Transportation \_\_\_\_\_  
Utilities (gas, phone) \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical/Dental \_\_\_\_\_  
Childcare \_\_\_\_\_  
Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total expenses** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date