



Illinois Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages • Bilingual Education

\$1,000 Graduate & \$500 Undergraduate Scholarship

Illinois TESOL•BE demonstrates its commitment to the field of English as a Second Language and Bilingual Education each year by awarding two **\$1,000 graduate** and one **\$500 undergraduate** scholarship to deserving students. This form, the letter of application, and letters of recommendation can be submitted electronically. Please contact ldmiller@nl.edu for information.

Applicants must:

- Be currently enrolled in a program in TESOL, ESL/Bilingual Education, or a related field at an accredited college or university or be practicing professionals or paraprofessionals who will enroll in relevant coursework;
- Demonstrate financial need;
- Be members in good standing of Illinois TESOL•BE (see box below);
- Submit a completed application form, along with all required supporting materials.

CHECK ONE:

I am applying for: _____ **\$1,000 GRADUATE** Scholarship
 _____ **\$500 UNDERGRADUATE** Scholarship in Honor of Jane Curtis

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ ITBE Membership Expiration: _____

School Name and Degree Program: _____

(Check one) Currently Enrolled _____ Will Enroll in 2011-2012 _____

Have you received this ITBE scholarship before? Yes ___ No ___

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

- 1) A letter of application (word-processed and double-spaced) which includes the following: a) a description of your involvement to date in the field of ESL/BE; b) an explanation of your professional goals and how your program of study will help you meet those goals; and c) a brief statement regarding your financial need. [May be submitted electronically.]
- 2) Two letters of recommendation. [May be submitted electronically.]
- 3) An official transcript of your academic work. [Must be mailed.] (Unofficial transcripts will **not** be accepted.) A letter of acceptance is required if you are not currently enrolled in an academic program.

Mailed forms, letters of application, letters of recommendation, and transcripts must be postmarked by December 2, 2011. Electronically submitted forms, letters of application, and letters of recommendation must be sent by December 2, 2011. Mail documents and send e-mails to the Awards Committee Chair:

Leah D. Miller, Awards Committee Chair
4019 N. Clarendon Ave., Apt. 3 S.
Chicago, IL 60613
ldmiller@nl.edu

All applicants for the \$1,000 Graduate and the \$500 Undergraduate Scholarships must be valid members in Illinois TESOL•BE through March 2012. To become a member of ITBE or to renew membership, go to www.itbe.org. Check your membership status by using your member log-in on the ITBE web site or by e-mailing us at membership@itbe.org.

Scholarships will be awarded at the 38th Annual State Convention on February 24, 2012 at Lisle, IL. Recipients will be notified by phone and by email. **Attendance is required.** For additional information, please call (773) 935-9185 or visit our website at www.itbe.org.