



2026 Application for \$5000 Tuition Scholarship
Deadline: December 7, 2025
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ELIGIBILITY: Applicant **must**

- Be enrolled and attending a graduate program in School Psychology that is recognized and approved by the Illinois State Board of Education
- Be member of racial or ethnic minority
- Be current member of the Illinois School Psychologists Association (ISPA)
- This is a tuition scholarship. Students who have full tuition waivers need not apply.

APPLICATION:

1. Submit a **résumé** via email with accompanying letter that includes a 1 or 2-page **autobiographical statement**. Describe career goals and interests, motivation for choosing school psychology as a career, significant persons, experiences and ideas influencing personal development, and community and extracurricular activities.
2. Include a two-page **essay** discussing a personal perspective on social justice, citing two examples of how it impacts school climate.
3. Request the release of official **electronic transcripts** of all graduate and undergraduate coursework completed through the end of the 2025 fall semester. Electronic transcripts due by **December 7, 2025** at the address below. Email **current** official transcripts by **January 5, 2026**.
4. Request **two letters** of recommendation from university faculty. Letters address the applicant's academic competence, interpersonal skills, written/oral communication skills, character and commitment, suitability for a career in school psychology and leadership potential. Submit letters **via email** and a copy bearing **original signature** via U.S. mail.
5. **Interview:** Applicants who have submitted **all** required documents will be contacted by members of the Board of Directors to schedule interviews virtually or by telephone.

All applicants will be notified of the results by **January 16, 2026**. Certificates will be presented to Award Recipients at the **Annual ISPA Awards Ceremony**. A check in the amount of \$5000 to be applied for tuition and fees will be sent to the university where the student is enrolled.

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Submit materials and inquiries to:

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