

Illinois, Lambda State Organization

Description of Lambda State Funds

The Lambda State Foundation for Educational Studies, Inc.

The Lambda State Foundation for Educational Studies, Inc. provides funds to Lambda State members, chapters, or coordinating councils in Lambda State working on an educational research project or a special innovative project that will improve and enhance education in Illinois; funds also aid in the publication of the results of such research and special projects. The amount of the stipend will vary and shall be determined by the Foundation Board. Stipends will be awarded as determined by the income balance in the Lambda State Foundation Fund.

See <u>www.deltakappagamma.org/IL</u> for stipend guidelines/application; application must be submitted electronically by November 1 or May 1.

Contact: Lambda State Foundation for Educational Studies, Inc. Chair

Grant-in-Aid Fund

The Grant-in-Aid is awarded to a full-time female Illinois college/university student (Illinois resident) who may be studying in the field of education. The recipient must be a present or former chapter or state recruitment grant or grant-in-aid recipient. Only one application per chapter may be submitted. The fund shall receive contributions from chapters, individuals, foundations or other income sources. The Grant, not to exceed \$2,000, may be given annually. Monies received at the end of the fiscal year shall be distributed by the Educational Excellence Committee for the grant(s). The remaining money shall be reinvested. **S.R. 1.23*

See <u>www.deltakappagamma.org/IL</u> for criteria/application; application must be submitted electronically by February 1.

Contact: Lambda State Educational Excellence Chair

Women in the Arts Fund

The Women in the Arts Fund funds the M. Josephine O'Neil Arts Award presented in the odd-numbered years at the Lambda State Convention to a female college student(s) majoring in one or more fields of the arts – music, dance, drama, or fine arts. The applicant must be approaching her junior year at an accredited college/university and be a legal resident of Illinois. The Women in the Arts Committee determines the criteria and amount of the award(s) not to exceed \$6,000. *S.R. 1.24

See <u>www.deltakappagamma.org/IL</u> for criteria/application; application must be submitted electronically by February 1 of the odd-numbered years.

Contact: Lambda State Women in the Arts Chair

Scholarship Fund

Lambda State offers scholarships to members based upon the availability of funds in the Scholarship Fund. The number and amount of scholarships/stipends are recommended to the Executive Board at the state convention. Scholarships are given in the following categories:

•For one academic year of full-time foreign or domestic study

•For a minimum of twelve semester hours or the equivalent of foreign or domestic study

•For a minimum of six semester hours for undergraduate or graduate work

•For special study stipends to develop skills which promote professional and personal growth To qualify for scholarships/special study stipends, an applicant shall be a member of Lambda State and have completed three years of membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (prior to the application deadline), provide evidence of active participation, and have shown leadership in the Society. Scholarships shall be used for study at an accredited college or university within two years of the date of receiving the award. Full-time scholarships must be used within a consecutive twelve-month enrollment period. Special studies stipends are for educational experiences (seminar, workshop, course, etc.) that develop skills which promote professional and personal growth. **S.R. 1.32G*

Lambda State may award up to the following:

- 1 for \$2,000 for a minimum of six hours of undergraduate or graduate work
- \$2,000 for special study stipends for the previous calendar year
- \$200 for the Emma Reinhardt Scholarship
- \$3,000 for the Emilie U. Lepthien Scholarship for study in Educational Administration

See <u>www.deltakappagamma.org/IL</u> for criteria/application/deadline. Contact: Lambda State Scholarship Chair

* Refer to Lambda State Standing Rules for official wording, criteria, procedures

Florence A. Cook Recruitment Grant

Because this fund is being expended, donations are no longer encouraged. The Florence A. Cook Recruitment Grant was established by a bequest from Florence A. Cook, Alpha Chapter of Lambda State. The fund was originally established to provide recruitment grants to female Illinois high school seniors planning to enter the field of education and did so from 1991-2012. The criteria were changed and since 2013 grants have been awarded to female college/university students (Illinois residents/U.S. citizens or legal residents of the U.S.) who have been accepted into a certified teacher education program. Only one application per chapter may be submitted. The number and amount of grants are determined on an annual basis depending on the total amount in the Florence A. Cook Recruitment Grant Fund. The interest recorded at the end of the previous fiscal year from the invested fund will be added to the principal. The Educational Excellence Committee has the discretion of awarding grants of equal value to recipients with consideration given to the six areas of the state. **S.R.*. *1.22*

See <u>www.deltakappagamma.org/IL</u> for criteria/application; application must be submitted electronically by February 1.

Contact: Lambda State Educational Excellence Chair