School of Public and Environmental Affairs

SPEA Undergraduate Scholarship Application

The School of Public and Environmental Affairs offers scholarships to incoming and current SPEA undergraduate students. Students may apply for the following SPEA scholarships by submitting one application, a current resume and the required essay(s).

To be eligible for a SPEA Student Scholarship, students must be in good academic standing, both when you apply for the award and when you receive it.

Recipients of SPEA scholarships will be chosen by members of the SPEA Scholarship Committee, comprised of SPEA faculty and staff. All SPEA scholarship recipients are recognized at the SPEA scholarship luncheon in October.

Award amounts range from $500 to $2000 per year, per scholarship and will be noted by the January prior to the application deadline.

All SPEA scholarships are non-renewable, though former recipients may apply again. Fall scholarships refers to those scholarships that can be used in the fall semester; spring scholarships are for spring semester.

Fall scholarship deadline is March 1, for the following scholarships:

- Cory R. Elson
- Hudnut Scholarship in Public Leadership
- International Experience Scholars
- Jason Baker Spirit Award
- Lindsey Scholarship for Civic Engagement

Spring scholarship deadline is September 15, for the following scholarships:

- Bingham McHale LLP INGroup Legislative Conference Scholarship

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The Bingham McHale scholarship supports academically successful students who are interested in a future career in state government. To apply, you must be a SPEA undergraduate student, have completed 60 or more credit hours, and be in good academic standing.

The winner of this scholarship will be required to attend the Bingham McHale luncheon in December.

In a typed double-spaced essay of three pages or less, please discuss your reasons for choosing your major in SPEA, why you are interested in a future career in state government, and how your SPEA degree will be important in that career field.

Cory R. Elson Scholarship ($1000)

The Cory R. Elson Scholarship provides recognition and financial support to criminal justice students who wish to pursue a career in policing. To apply, students must have completed 60 or more credit hours and have a least a 2.67 cumulative IU GPA.

In a typed double-spaced essay of three pages or less, please explain why you want to pursue a career in policing. Because this scholarship was created to aid with financial need, also explain how this funding will help you achieve your academic goals.

Hudnut Scholarship in Public Leadership ($500)

The Hudnut Scholarship in Public Leadership supports SPEA Public Affairs majors interested in pursuing a future career in public leadership. To apply, you must be a SPEA undergraduate student pursuing a Public Affairs degree (which includes Civic Leadership, Management, Media and Public Affairs and Policy Studies majors).

In a typed double-spaced essay of three pages or less, please discuss your reasons for choosing a Public Affairs degree and how you will apply your degree to a future career in public leadership. Also describe your current activities and involvement, both at IUPUI and in the community.

International Experience Scholar ($1000)

This scholarship supports students participating in an overseas study opportunity. To apply, you must be a SPEA undergraduate student in good academic standing who is participating in an upcoming SPEA overseas study experience. Recipients will be expected to document and share their experience with SPEA through means such as photography, blogging or journaling.

In a typed double-spaced essay of three pages or less, please discuss why you are participating in a SPEA overseas study program and how you anticipate this program will help you meet your academic and career goals.

Jason Baker Spirit Award ($500)
The Jason Baker Spirit Award provides recognition and financial support to SPEA students who wish to pursue a career in law enforcement. This award honors fallen police officer Jason Baker’s spirit and more specifically his lifetime devotion to a career in law enforcement. To apply, you must be a SPEA undergraduate student in good academic standing. You must also have a proven track record of commitment to the profession of law enforcement.

In a typed double-spaced essay of three pages or less, please discuss your commitment to a career in law enforcement. Include clear evidence of your choice of policing as a career, such as volunteer work, internships, coursework, current job, etc.). The recipient will be selected based on his or her ability to demonstrate good character, integrity, discipline and continued interest in policing.

**Lindsey Scholarship for Civic Engagement ($2500)**

The Lindsey Scholarship for Civic Engagement supports a SPEA student with an interest in environmental affairs or planning. The winner should be interested in solving global problems, especially environmental degradation and poverty; have a record of volunteerism, community service and/or civic engagement; and be committed to a career in public service or in the nonprofit sector, with special emphasis in the environmental area. To apply, you must be a SPEA student in good academic standing.

In a typed double-spaced essay of three pages or less, please discuss how you would like to apply your degree to a career, how you will engage with the community, and your interest in environmental affairs.

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST:**

- Completed application
- Current resume
- Essay (Please write one essay per scholarship for which you are applying.)
- Email completed application to infospea@iupui.edu by 5:00 p.m. on March 1 (or September 15 if applying for the Bingham McHale scholarship). Please send from your IUPUI/IU email account.
Name
Student ID #
IUPUI/IU email
Address
Phone
SPEA Major
IU cumulative GPA

Please indicate the scholarship(s) for which you are applying:

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If doing overseas study – please indicate the program you are attending:

I certify that the information submitted on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that knowingly submitting inaccurate and false information may result in the denial of scholarships. I understand that all SPEA recipients of scholarships must remain in good academic standing and demonstrate ethical academic and personal behavior as prescribed in the IUPUI Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct. I further understand that scholarships will be rescinded in verified cases of academic or personal misconduct and that I will be required to return scholarship awards in these cases.

*Signature of Student: ___________________________ Date: _______________

*Electronic signature is sufficient when emailed from student’s IUPUI/IU email account.