

2025 UNDERGRADUATE SEED SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM
Iowa Seed Association (ISA), ISA 2025 Bill Latham Memorial Scholarship; Lisa Shepherd-Jenkins Memorial Scholarship; and Iowa Crop Improvement Association (ICIA) Scholarships.

Students wishing to apply for seed science scholarships should complete the application and requested information below and submit the materials by the requested deadline. The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 24, 2025. Completed applications should be submitted electronically to Professor Susana Goggi at: susana@iastate.edu. These scholarships are awarded to undergraduate students on the basis of academic excellence, leadership skills, interpersonal skills, and a demonstrated interest in seed science and/or the seed industry. ISA will award several scholarships, including one Bill Latham Memorial Scholarship. Additionally, the ISU Seed Science Center will award one Lisa Shepherd-Jenkins Memorial Scholarship, and ICIA will award one scholarship. The recipients of these scholarships will also be selected by the Seed Science Scholarship Committee. The minimum scholarship award is \$1,000.

Two Iowa Seed Association (ISA) scholarships will be awarded to students who have declared Seed Science as a secondary major. The remaining ISA scholarships will be open to students in any major in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (including Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering) with a demonstrated interest in seed science or in a career related to the seed industry. In addition, an outstanding student classified as a senior will receive an extra \$500 as a special scholarship. *Students previously awarded two ISA scholarships are not eligible for a 2025 ISA scholarship but may be eligible for one of the other scholarships.*

ISA scholarship recipients are expected to attend a student forum and luncheon (free of charge) at the Annual ISA convention. These events are tentatively scheduled 9am - noon on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at the site of the Convention, TBD in Des Moines. Transportation will be provided if needed.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Complete the personal data application form and obtain your adviser's signature verifying your academic information (attached/next page/reverse side).
2. Attach your letter or statement of interest document. Please highlight in your letter your qualifications according to those described in the rubric included in page 3 of this application.
3. Attach your resume, and if needed, a separate sheet outlining your work experience(s), including Seed Science Internship Experiences, if any.
4. Submit your completed application packet at one of the places designated above.

STATEMENT OF INTEREST DOCUMENT:

Write a statement of interest document, **no more than two double-spaced pages**, to the scholarship committee. This document should demonstrate your interest in a professional career in seed science and/or the seed industry. It also should relay to the selection committee your academic achievements, leadership achievements, and interpersonal skills. Also include your specific career and educational goals, recognized achievements, such as awards, honors, and scholarships, and community, student club, and service activities. These also may appear in either your resume or your statement of interest document. Send all correspondence to: Dr. Susana Goggi; Chair, Seed Science Scholarship Committee, Department of Agronomy, 195C Seed Science Center; email: susana@iastate.edu

WORK EXPERIENCE HISTORY:

Be sure to include a description of your work experiences and any internships in the seed science field. Provide the employer's name(s), your job title(s) and duties, and date(s) of employment. If you have taken

Agron/Hort 491, provide a description of the project(s), dates, and the name(s) of the company and/or people with whom you worked.

2025 Iowa Seed Association Scholarship Application Form

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(Please type or print legibly)

PERSONAL DATA:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Local Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: Local _____ Phone: Permanent _____

Parents' Names: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

Seed Science Secondary Major: Yes _____ If yes, year initiated: _____ No _____

Total College Credit Hours Completed (including transfer credits): _____ Current Classification: _____

Credits completed at ISU: _____ (If you are a transfer student with no ISU completed credits, indicate credits completed before coming to ISU.)

Overall cumulative GPA at ISU: _____ Current major GPA at ISU: _____ (If you are a freshman or transfer student with no ISU GPA, indicate GPA in high school/previous college, & high school ranking.)

Will you have at least 90 total semester credit hours at the end of this semester? Yes _____ No _____

Currently enrolled* at ISU: Yes _____ No _____ if no, explain: _____

Enrolled* last semester at ISU: Yes _____ No _____ if no, explain: _____

Currently in good academic standing**: Yes _____ No _____ if no, explain: _____

Seed Science-Related Courses Taken: _____

* Enrollment at ISU includes internships and cooperative education programs that may be completed off-campus.

** Good academic standing means you are not on either conduct or academic probation.

GPA, Enrollment, Academic Standing, and Course Verification by your Academic Adviser:

Adviser's Printed Name: _____

Adviser's Signature of Verification _____

DATA RELEASE TO SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

Iowa State University requests this information for the sole purpose of awarding scholarships. No person outside the university is provided with this information. Your student identification number will be used only to release scholarship funds to your ISU University-bill account. Responses to all items are required. If you fail to provide the required information, the Scholarship Selection Committee may not consider your application.

I authorize Iowa State University to release copies of this completed application form to the Committee designated to make the scholarship awards and to publicize the scholarship award if I am a recipient.

Applicant Signature: _____ Student ID No. _____ Date: _____

Application Evaluation Rubric

	Exceptional	Good	Adequate	Inadequate
Sincere or demonstrable interest in a career in seed science or the seed industry	Obvious and exceptional interest as demonstrated by thoughtful choices in all of the following: coursework, internships, organizations, previous jobs, career and educational goals.	Definite and strong interest as demonstrated by choices in most of the following: coursework, internships, previous jobs, organizations, career and educational goals.	Some interest by choice of some of the following: coursework, internships, previous jobs, organizations, career and educational goals.	Has little or no interest demonstrated by choice of coursework, internships, previous jobs, organizations, career and educational goals.
Leadership Skills	Has distinguished her- or himself in leadership roles in multiple on- and off-campus organizations with numerous notable accomplishments.	Has demonstrated good leadership skills in on- and off-campus organizations with some notable accomplishments.	Has assumed leadership roles in some on- and off-campus organizations and did an adequate job.	Has little or no leadership experience in on- or off-campus organizations.
Interpersonal Skills	Exceptional interpersonal skills demonstrated or recognized by all of the following: public speaking, service activities, via honors, awards and scholarships. Letter of interest was well written.	Good interpersonal skills demonstrated or recognized by most of the following: public speaking, service activities, honors, awards and scholarships. Letter of interest was well written.	Adequate interpersonal skills demonstrated or recognized by some of the following: public speaking, service activities, via honors, awards and scholarships. Letter of interest was adequate.	Interpersonal skills not adequately demonstrated or recognized by some of the following: public speaking, service activities, via honors, awards and scholarships. Letter of interest was inadequate.
Academic Excellence (GPA)				