

UIC Department of Occupational Therapy Scholarships/Awards (UPDATED 2.18.25)

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Award/Scholarship	Amount of Award	How Many Awards/ Semester Awarded	Who is eligible to apply?
1. Alumni Scholarship	\$1,500	1 (Fall)	E-OTD (with no RA or TA)
2. Rhoda Erhardt Scholarship	\$2,500	3 (Fall & Spring)	E-OTD, P-OTD
3. Ruth Hadra Scholarship	\$1,000	1 (Spring)	E-OTD
4. Illinois Federation of Women’s Clubs - Third District Scholarship	\$1,500	1 (Fall)	E-OTD
5. Jackson-Frey Scholarship	\$2,000	2 (Spring)	E-OTD
6. Lois Anderberg Koji Award	\$1,000	1 (Spring)	E-OTD (with no RA or TA)
7. Ruth Ann Halligan Watkins Scholarship	\$1,000	1 (Spring)	E-OTD (with no RA or TA)
8. Gail Fisher Scholarship	\$2,000	1 (Fall)	E-OTD
9. Barbara Loomis Scholarship	\$2,500	1 (Fall)	E-OTD, P-OTD, PhD
10. Winifred Scott Scholarship	\$1,200	1 (Spring)	E-OTD, P-OTD, PhD
11. Lillian Torrance Scholarship	\$2,000	Fall: 3-4 Spring: 3-4 Total:6-8	E-OTD, P-OTD, PhD

E-OTD – Entry-level occupational therapy doctorate students
P-OTD – Post-Professional occupational therapy doctorate student
RA – Research Assistantship TA – Teaching Assistantship
“With no RA or TA” – Students with an RA or TA that includes a tuition waiver are not eligible to be considered for those scholarships, since financial need is the main criterion.