Candidates competing for Illinois Tech/FIRST scholarships demonstrate an aptitude for science and technology—and an entrepreneurial spirit. FIRST scholars are eligible for a merit scholarship award of $25,000 per year for up to four years of undergraduate study (five years for architecture majors).

To be considered for an Illinois Tech/FIRST scholarship, candidates must qualify for undergraduate admission to Illinois Institute of Technology as first-year students. Students who are awarded a FIRST scholarship may pursue any major at Illinois Tech.

REQUIREMENTS

- Be a senior in high school.
- Have participated in at least one full season during your junior or senior year on a FIRST Robotics team.
  
  Note: If a FIRST team is in its rookie season, seniors can still apply for the FIRST scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY

- Apply to Illinois Tech as a first-year student at www.commonapp.org
- Download and complete the Illinois Tech FIRST scholarship application https://admissions.iit.edu/undergraduate/finances/illinois-tech-first-scholarship#
- Submit a one-page essay describing your involvement in FIRST.
- Provide your team number and adult coach contact information.

All FIRST scholarship applications and materials must be submitted by January 15, 2020.

PLEASE NOTE: If a student earns multiple Illinois Institute of Technology merit scholarships throughout the admission process, the university will award the highest merit award for which the student is qualified, but will not combine multiple awards. For instance, the Illinois Tech/FIRST scholarship may not be combined with a previously awarded Camras, Collens, Heald, or VEX Scholarship. Total Illinois Tech provided scholarships and/or tuition benefits may not exceed cost of tuition.

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