

**Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois
2022-2023 Renewal Application**

Applicant Name _____



MISSION

The goal of DFI is to increase the number of minority full-time tenure track faculty and staff at Illinois' two- and four-year public and private colleges and universities.

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Renewal Applications are due to DFI Institutional Representatives by 4:00 p.m. on February 11, 2022.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Attending Institution and Degree to be supported by this award for 2022-2023:

Name/Location: _____

Discipline/Major: _____ Degree Sought (PhD, EdD, MA, MS, etc.) _____

Note: Awarded applicants are required to enroll full time while receiving this fellowship. If previously funded for a master's-level degree, and now seeking funding for doctoral level, an admission letter to the doctoral program also is required.

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Gender: Male _____ Female _____ Date of birth: ____ / ____ / ____

Current Address: _____
Street/Apt. City, State Zip Code

Telephone: () _____ Cell/Other: () _____

Academic Email Address: _____

Non-academic Email Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____
Street/Apt. City, State Zip Code

Telephone: () _____

CAREER PLAN

PLEASE INDICATE FUTURE EMPLOYMENT INTEREST (Check only one):

____ Community College ____ Four-year (research emphasis) ____ Four-year (teaching emphasis) ____ Professional Faculty/Staff ____ Other (Indicate)

Describe how you plan to find employment in Illinois upon graduation.

Are you willing to relocate to other parts of the State of Illinois to accept full-time employment in a faculty or staff position? Yes ____ No ____

Note: Full-time enrollment is required while on DFI Fellowship – NO exceptions.

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ACADEMIC PROGRESS SECTION

I am requesting continued funding toward the completion of the following degree in 2022-2023:

- Doctorate-level (answer Doctoral section below)
 Master's-level (answer Master's section below)
 Master's/Doctorate combo (answer both sections below)

Grade Point Average: What is your overall grade point average in the graduate program for which you are funded? (Indicate scale if other than A = 4.0). A **minimum grade point average** of 3.0 (scale 4.0 = A) is required to remain eligible for renewal funding. _____

Credit Hours Completed: As of the end of this year's spring semester/quarter, how many credit hours have you completed toward the graduate program for which you are funded? _____

Credit Hours Required: How many total credit hours are required to graduate in the program for which you are funded? _____

Doctoral-level degree seekers:

1. Date of entry into doctoral program (month/year): _____
2. Anticipated preliminary exam date (month/year): _____
3. Are you currently writing a dissertation? Yes ___ No ___
5. Anticipated defense date (month/year): _____
6. Will you have completed all requirements of your program, except the dissertation, before the fall semester 2022? Yes ___ No ___
7. Anticipated degree conferral date (month/year): _____

Master's-level degree seekers:

1. Date of entry into master's program (month/year): _____
2. Have you started writing a thesis or research paper? Yes ___ No ___ N/A ___
3. Anticipated degree conferral date (month/year): _____
4. Are you pursuing a terminal Master's degree? (i.e. MFA, MSW, etc.) Yes ___ No ___

RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Attach a CV/Resume that includes all items marked "Yes" in this section (required). Presentations and publications should be identified in a complete bibliographic reference.

1. Have you conducted any research projects? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, include topics researched.
2. Have you submitted a manuscript for publication? Yes ___ No ___
3. If yes, have any been accepted for publication? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, reference all publications/manuscripts, including those in review.
4. Have you attended a state/regional/national conference (other than DFI)? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, identify conferences attended, including title, sponsor, date(s), location, and theme.
5. Have you received any academic honors for your graduate work? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, identify all honors received, including date and honoring agency/organization.
6. Are you affiliated with any professional associations or organizations? Yes ___ No ___ (If yes include professional affiliations, offices held and years of membership).
7. Are you currently working (teaching/administration) in your area of study? Yes ___ No ___

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MENTOR/ADVISOR INFORMATION

Mentor's Name: _____

Mentor's Department: _____

Mentor's Telephone: (____) _____

Mentor's Email: _____

APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information on this renewal application and the required attachments is correct. In the absence of this DFI renewal, I will not be financially able to pursue a graduate degree at this institution. I authorize release of this and other important information to verify my eligibility for the renewal of a DFI award. I agree to the conditions of the DFI renewal if one is offered and accepted. I understand that misrepresentation of any portion of this application may result in the cancellation of the financial award.

_____ I have completed the FAFSA for the 2022-2023 academic year and agree to provide a copy of my 2021 federal tax forms, if asked for them.

Applicant's Printed Name _____

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

PERMANENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Provide the name, address, telephone number, and email address of a person who does not reside with you and will always be able to contact you, should we be unable to reach you directly. (List a person that you assume will be at this address for approximately five years from this date.)

Name: _____

Last

First

Middle

Home Phone #: (____) _____ Cell Phone #: (____) _____

Address: _____

Street/Apt.

City, State

Zip Code

Email Address: _____

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVE CERTIFICATION

As Institutional Representative, I certify that this student meets the criteria for renewal (satisfactory academic standing, progress toward degree completion, financial need) of the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois (DFI) fellowship and is recommended to be awarded a DFI renewal Fellowship for 2022-2023.

Institution _____

DFI Institutional Representative (signature) _____

Date _____

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Institutional Representatives

Please click on the link below for a complete list of DFI Institutional Representatives at:

<https://www.ibhe.org/dfiinstRep.asp>