

International Student Ambassador Service Award (ISASA) 2025 Call for Nominations

The International Advisory Council and Office of Global Engagement (OGE) are pleased to call for nominations for the International Student Ambassador Service Award (ISASA) which recognizes the service of international students, particularly those who contribute to UIC's international cross-cultural or intercultural understanding.

The ISASA honors international students who are currently attending UIC on an international student visa and have made outstanding contributions to the University through campus and/or community service, particularly by contributing to greater knowledge and understanding across our diverse national cultures. Student nominees must have contributed a significant amount of time and effort to projects, activities or causes that advance intercultural and international understanding on the UIC campus and/or amongst the local community.

International students engaged in intercultural activities are strongly encouraged to apply. In addition, OGE encourages faculty, staff and students to consider nominating an international student. UIC international students at every level on all UIC campuses are eligible.

STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

1. Full time degree-seeking UIC students in any discipline who are international (those on an international student visa) at the undergraduate, graduate, or professional level.
2. Overall minimum GPA of 2.5 (on a 4-point scale).

Up to (2) students will receive a \$500 monetary award and will be recognized at the Office of Global Engagement International Student Awards Ceremony Wednesday, April 16, 2025. The application deadline is **5 p.m. on 28 February 2025**. Results will be announced via email, within four weeks after the deadline.

Only complete applications will be considered. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that all parts of the application are submitted together as one document in the specified order below except for the Academic Reference Form which must be submitted by the faculty or staff member from their university email address. All application materials should be submitted via email to oge@uic.edu.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

1. Personal Information Form (see below): Must be completed and signed by applicant.
2. Cover letter outlining the most significant contributions by the student to increasing intercultural knowledge and understanding at UIC or in the community. Please ensure the cover letter references the service activities in the resume or CV and includes organization name, position, dates, and responsibilities.
3. Resume or CV including academic awards or honors, clubs, activities, internships, volunteer work, and employment.
4. Academic Reference Form(s): The form must be completed by a UIC faculty or staff member and submitted separately by the referee via their UIC e-mail to oge@uic.edu. The maximum number of references is two (2).

Please note that awardees are responsible for any taxes incurred as a result of receiving the International Student Ambassador Service Award. Please contact OGE oge@uic.edu with any questions.

**2025 International Student Ambassador
Service Award****Personal Information Form**

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| Applicant's Name (Surname, First Name) | |
| Applicant's UIN# | |
| Undergraduate, Graduate or Professional | |
| Academic College | |
| Academic Unit | |
| Number of Semester Hours Completed | |
| Cumulative UIC Grade Point Average | |
| Graduation Date (expected) | |
| Current Mailing Address (Street and Number) | |
| Current Mailing Address (City, State and ZIP Code) | |
| UIC Email | |
| Country of Citizenship | |
| Name of First Faculty or Staff Recommender | |
| Name of Second Faculty or Staff Recommender | |

I understand that withholding pertinent information requested on this application or giving false information will make me ineligible for the International Student Ambassador Service Award. I certify that the statements on this application are correct and complete. I give my permission to officials of all institutions I have attended to release information needed by the University to substantiate statements I have made on this application. I certify that I am in good academic standing and agree to notify the Office of Global Engagement if my status changes.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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RECOMMENDATION FORM

Please note that no more than two (2) recommendations will be considered a complete application.

To Be Completed by Student

Student Name: _____ UIN: _____

Dear Applicant:

Please complete and sign the following statement before submitting this form to the recommender. This request is in compliance with Federal Law P.L. 93-380 (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974).

- I waive my right of access to the letter of recommendation submitted on my behalf.
 I do not waive my right of access to the letter of recommendation submitted on my behalf.

Signature

Date

To Be Completed by Recommender

Dear Faculty/Staff Member:

The student listed above is applying for the 2025 International Student Ambassador Service Award. As part of this process, students must arrange for submission of one or two letters of recommendation.

Please assess the candidate by considering their relevant academic and/or professional activities and past performance. The review committee is especially interested in clear documentation of the candidates' contributions to increasing intercultural knowledge and understanding at UIC or in the community.

Please complete your letter on institutional letterhead. If letterhead stationary is not available, please email your recommendation directly from your UIC email address to the Office of Global Engagement at oge@uic.edu by 5 p.m., February 28, 2025.

Signature

Date

Recommender Name(printed)

UIC Department



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