WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE YATES FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM?
Students whose parents did not graduate from a four-year college or university are invited to apply for this program. If you have a brother or sister in college, that’s fine – first-generation is determined by your parents’ level of education.

WHAT IS THE COST TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM?
There is no fee for the program. For this two-week period only, your housing, meals, books and other expenses for the program are covered by Illinois College.

DO I HAVE TO ATTEND THE ENTIRE PROGRAM?
All students must commit to attending the entire two-week summer program. During this time, all students will live in a residence hall and will not return home.

DO I HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LEARNING COMMUNITY IF I ENROLL IN THE SUMMER PROGRAM?
Students must participate in the entirety of the Yates Program: the two-week summer program and the learning community during the academic year. Students must also enroll in IS130 and CO101 (as described in the brochure) in order to participate in the program.

WILL THERE BE OTHER STUDENTS ON CAMPUS?
In addition to the Yates Fellows, pre-season sports teams begin arriving on campus as do student orientation leaders and residence hall staff.

ARE STUDENTS WHO WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN A FALL SPORTS PROGRAM ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?
First and foremost, we want Illinois College students to be successful in the classroom. Coaches of pre-season sports are committed to helping students be successful in the classroom and will encourage pre-season athletes to participate in this program.

WHAT MIGHT A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE?
Your days will be full! You will be in classes, work in small groups and participate in a wide variety of fun activities. During the evenings, there will be time to work on your assignments, but you will also find time for such things as movies and chats with your professors.

WILL I BE GRADED ON ANYTHING?
Grades may be used to help you measure your progress during the summer program, but grades will not become part of your GPA. Once the semester begins and you enroll in IS130 and CO101, you will be graded accordingly, and your transcripts will reflect your work in those courses.

WHERE WILL WE EAT?
You’ll have an opportunity to experience meals in Cummings Dining Hall and in the Uncommons – a more informal dining area. You’ll have a chance to get to know how our campus food service operates.

WHAT WILL I DO AT NIGHT? ON THE WEEKEND?
We realize that part of a successful transition to college means making good friends and developing social networks. Evening and weekend activities have been planned that will help you form a strong support network.

CAN MY PARENTS VISIT?
We love parents – but we also want you to have some time to establish yourself as a college student. Parents will be invited to the celebration dinner on Thursday evening, August 27.

WILL I BE ABLE TO USE MY CELL PHONE?
Absolutely – but not during class time. There is a time and place to use cell phones, but during class is not one of them.

WHEN WOULD I NEED TO ARRIVE ON CAMPUS?
Students will be expected to arrive on campus on Sunday, August 16. The program will begin at 3 p.m. There is a special orientation session for your parents that day as well.