

**THE TAIMI MARIA RANTA  
CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG ADULT  
LITERATURE SCHOLARSHIP**

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**SEM. HRS. COMPLETED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CUMULATIVE GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ENGLISH GPA:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UNDERGRADUATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADUATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**QUALIFICATIONS:**

Candidates for the Taimi Maria Ranta Children's and Young Adult Scholarship must:

1. Be a full- or part-time junior, senior, or graduate student at Illinois State University majoring in English with the intent of focusing on children's or adolescent literature.
2. Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0, if they are undergraduates, or have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5, if they are graduate students.
3. Demonstrate serious interest in children's or adolescent literature.
4. Be recommended by two recognized professionals in fields related to children's or adolescent literature, such as professors, school administrators, or librarians.

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**APPLICATIONS:**

Please submit by **APRIL 1** to the **ENGLISH DEPARTMENT CHAIRPERSON:**

1. A written statement (two double-spaced pages in length) that explains the place of children's or adolescent literature in their future goals, and
3. A completed application form along with at least two letters of recommendations from recognized professionals in fields related to children's or adolescent literature who are familiar with the applicant's academic and extra-curricular achievements.