

**Northeastern Illinois University Foundation  
Department of World Languages and Cultures**

5500 North St. Louis Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60625-4699

**Cathy A. Petersen Scholarship Application**

Minimum requirements:

- Declared major in Spanish or Latin American Literatures and Cultures, or pursuing a degree, credential, endorsement, or appropriate licensure for the teaching of Spanish or of Latin American Literatures and Cultures;
- Currently enrolled and in good standing at Northeastern Illinois University, either at the undergraduate or graduate level;
- First consideration is for applicants who are of Hispanic heritage. If no applicants in a given year are of Hispanic heritage, the scholarship is open to any student meeting the first two criteria;
- Provide two letters of recommendation emphasizing talent in relation to education and career goals;
- Write a 300-word essay, in Spanish, on this theme: "How studying Spanish has made a difference in my life and how I will use this knowledge to make an impact in the community";
- Provide an unofficial transcript;
- Submit completed application form and supporting material to Jeanette Hernández, j-hernandez-kalin@neiu.edu.

(Please print) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code & Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ NEIU E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send application and supporting materials to: Jeanette Hernández**

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