



The **IVCA Scholar Program** is intended to create an inclusive industry with more gender, racial and ethnic diversity by providing students exposure to a possible career in the venture capital/private equity industry. Students will work at a venture capital or private equity firm and will participate in informational & training sessions at firms that provide services to VC & PE investors (accounting, valuation, legal, consulting etc.). **Applications will be accepted through September 28, 2018. Any applications received from September 29, 2018 will be accepted but will not be reviewed until January 2019 as part of the spring recruitment process for the 2019 Scholar Program.**

This program offers 10-week, industry training plus a paid internship at a venture capital or private equity firm, and upon successful completion, a \$10,000 scholarship award.

Internship Details:

- Internships will be 10 weeks in duration beginning **June 17th, 2019 and ending August 23th, 2019**. Firms will schedule specific weeks and work hours with the student
- Interns will be expected to participate in coaching/training including Toastmasters (public speaking), career development events at professional service providers and visits to participating firms during the summer internship
- Intern will work at a venture capital or private equity firm and responsibilities will vary by student experience and firm requirements
- No housing or transportation will be provided
- Interns will be expected to deliver a speech near the end of the program sharing key learnings and experiences from the summer

Selection criteria:

- Strong Communication, Analytical and Excel skills
- Finance and Accounting coursework
- Has completed at least 2 years of undergraduate coursework with preference for 3 years completed
- Is a US Citizen
- Qualifies as a person of color according to US Census Bureau E.g. African-American, Hispanic, Native American/Alaskan Native OR is a woman

Note: This is not a hiring track internship.

Application Elements must be submitted as one PDF document–

1. Student's Contact Information (Home and School); preferred email
2. Resume or CV
3. List of classes (through current term) and grades in each completed class
4. Description of student's general Excel skills and experiences with financial modeling, market analysis using specific examples.
5. Essay (500 words or fewer) describing applicant's interest in venture capital and/or private equity

Applications that do not contain ALL of the 5 elements outlined above will not be considered.

All applications should be sent as one document to ivca.scholar@illinoisVC.org.

Process:

- IVCA will submit appropriate applications to potential hiring firms
- Venture Capital/Private Equity firm will select the applicants they wish to interview
- After interviews, Venture Capital/Private Equity firm and will make offers to the students they wish to have work with them over the summer

Note: IVCA Member "friends and family" are not eligible.