



**Illuminating Engineering Society**  
Rocky Mountain Section/Denver

**Annual Conference Grant Program - 2024**

**Purpose:**

The Illuminating Engineering Society – Rocky Mountain Section/Denver (IES-RMS), in conjunction with the University of Colorado Boulder (CU Boulder) Lighting Program, is pleased to once again offer the Annual Illuminating Engineering Society (IES) Conference Grant. This IES-RMS will recognize up to one (1) outstanding undergraduate student from the CU Boulder Lighting Program who exemplifies the highest standards of scholarship and innovation on the topics of lighting and lighting design.

**Award:**

One (1) student will be reimbursed up to \$1,700, which shall be used towards attendance and participation in the IES Annual Conference. The awarded funds must be used towards the IES Annual Conference and cannot be transferred or used in another manner without the express written permission of both the IES-RMS Board and Co-Director of the CU Boulder Lighting Program (see Resume and Formal Letter Application below). Receipts for all expenses must be provided to the IES-RMS Board.

**Eligibility:**

- Must be an undergraduate student currently enrolled in the CU Boulder Lighting Program with a strong interest in lighting and lighting design.
- Must have successfully passed Illumination 1.
- Must have either successfully passed Illumination 2, or currently be enrolled in Illumination 2 and have a passing grade.
- Participation in either IES student chapter or IES-RMS meetings/events shall be confirmed by the CU Boulder Lighting Program Co-Directors. Regular attendance of IES student chapter meetings/events is strongly encouraged.
- Must be willing to attend the presentation of the award at an IES-RMS event, including photography.
- Must be in good academic standing.

### **Resume and Formal Letter Application:**

Interested students shall provide a resume and write a formal letter to the IES-RMS Board, 1,000 words maximum letter body, 12-point Times New Roman font, single spaced. This letter shall be submitted to the Co-Directors of the CU Boulder Lighting Program. This letter shall describe, at a minimum, the following items:

- Their participation in the local IES student chapter, including if they hold any leadership position.
- Their passion for lighting and lighting design, including how they intend to use this passion after graduation.
- Why attending the IES Annual Conference would benefit their growth in the lighting and lighting design industry.
- How the grant money would be used to pay for the expenses to attend the IES Annual Conference.

### **Selection:**

All scholarship applications must be sent in PDF format to the Co-Directors of the CU Boulder Lighting Program by 04/05/2024. The Co-Directors of the CU Boulder Lighting Program shall pre-select up to three (3) eligible applicants based on the eligibility criteria above, the formal letter, and the Co-Directors recommendations. These pre-selected applicants shall be sent to the IES-RMS Board for final review and selection. The IES-RMS Board Members shall vote on the pre-selected applicants to determine which applicant shall receive the award. The IES-RMS Board shall provide a Letter of Award to the selected applicant. The selected applicant must be willing to attend the Emerging Professionals Workshop at the Conference as well as the presentation of the award at an IES-RMS event.

*No member of the Illuminating Engineering Society, Rocky Mountain Section Board (IES-RMS), or their immediate family shall be eligible for scholarship/grant assistance during their tenure on the IES-RMS board. No member of the CU Boulder Lighting Program, or their immediate family shall be eligible for scholarship/grant assistance during their tenure at CU Boulder. The IES-RMS Board reserves the right to withhold scholarship/grants in any year if no candidate is determined to be qualified.*