



# Illinois Board of Higher Education

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Illinois Institutions Offering Pre-Licensure Registered Professional Nursing Programs

**FROM:** IBHE Grants Team

**DATE:** August 1, 2022

**RE:** Nomination Materials for FY23 Nurse Educator Fellowship Program  
Due on or before September 30, 2022

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The Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) is seeking nominations for the fiscal year 2023 Nurse Educator Fellowship Program. This program provides \$10,000 fellowship awards to nursing faculty in pre-licensure registered professional programs offered by Illinois institutions of higher education. These awards are salary supplements to help retain well-qualified faculty. The program will be funded with an appropriation of \$400,000 this year, which will be sufficient to potentially offer up to 40 fellowship awards.

Please review the nomination packet carefully. IBHE will consider equity gaps as part of the selection process. Additional consideration will be given to the proportion of nursing students who are African American, Latinx, low-income, first-generation college, from rural communities, working adults, or students with disabilities, and the institution's success in reducing any equity gaps in nursing student enrollment and graduation. IBHE will use the student data previously submitted by the institution for this review.

The nomination packet and forms are attached and may be accessed at the IBHE web site: (<https://www.ibhe.org/nefp.html>).

Submit nominations to IBHE on or before September 30, 2022. You may send via e-mail to ([nursingfellows@ibhe.org](mailto:nursingfellows@ibhe.org)).