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Congratulations on your admission to the College of Engineering at UIC. We are seeking to increase the representation of women in the engineering profession by increasing the number and prominence of women in our undergraduate student body. To this end, we will award eight Unger Scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 to women entering the UIC College of Engineering in the fall of 2010. This is the third year of such awards, and Unger Scholarships have supported many successful first year women engineering students on our campus. I would like to invite you to seek a nomination from your institution for a Freshman Unger Scholarship by asking a teacher or advisor to complete the attached nomination form for you, and return it to our College of Engineering Office for consideration.

These scholarships are being made possible by the generosity of UIC alumnus Mr. Bill Unger, partner emeritus at the venture capital Mayfield Fund. Mr. Unger has specifically targeted these scholarships to encourage young women to enter the UIC College of Engineering.

Mr. Unger has requested that supporting nominations from high school teachers and counselors be the primary criterion for selecting Unger Scholars. To be considered, each candidate must meet only two requirements:

- 1) All Unger Scholar candidates must be accepted into the UIC College of Engineering.
- 2) All Unger Scholar candidates must be nominated by a teacher or counselor who is confident that the candidate can successfully pursue an engineering degree. Please ask your nominator to submit your nomination by April 5, 2010.

By design, we are trying to make the nomination process quite simple. Be assured that any nominated candidates will receive thorough consideration. Given that we intend to make eight or more Unger scholarship offers and that typically we have a very modest number of women students applying to our programs, nominated candidates have an excellent chance of receiving an Unger Scholarship. All students nominated for an Unger scholarship will also be considered for other freshmen scholarships, and may of course apply for additional need-based financial aid.

Sincerely,