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Engineering scholarships new at U of I at Chicago

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CHICAGO — The University of Illinois at Chicago is hoping to attract more engineers, especially first years and women.

The school's chemical engineering department has received a \$600,000 National Science Foundation grant which will be used to provide need-based scholarships.

The program starts next fall and will run for three years. Part of the program will be informing people about engineer as a career.

Professor Sohail Murad, head of the chemical engineering and runs the program, says attracting women to engineering isn't as difficult as retaining them. He says about one quarter of his students are female.