# 2019-2020
## AE3 Collins Scholar Program Kick-Off

Friday, August 23, Noon-4pm, 403B2 Engr Hall

### Noon-1:00 pm
- Lunch
- Introductions and overview of the Collins Scholar Program
- Words from last year’s Collins Scholars
- Engineering Office of Research & Engineering IT

### 1:00-2:00
- Juxtaposition activity (in pairs)
  - Share individual research area—find possible collaboration idea!

### 2:00-2:30
- Coffee Break
  - The syllabus and first day of class

### 2:30-3:00
- Panel of engineering undergraduate students talking about teaching.
  - Time for Q&A too.

### 3:00-3:30
- Welcome from Dean Rashid Bashir

### 3:30-4:00
- Introduction of AE3 Education Innovation Fellows (EIFs)
  - Sage advice for your first year!

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**NOTE:** Please let AE3 know if we can help you prepare for the first day of class next week. The Collins Scholar weekly seminars will begin Friday, August 30, but we are here to help whenever you need us.

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**What do past Collins Scholars say about the program?**

“I learned many things about the university I wouldn't have otherwise and got a better feel for the community and how it works. Every talk provided a different perspective.”

“Being put in touch with a community of young faculty, and a larger community that values teaching. The weekly lunches were an important signal that the College values teaching, and a bit of a break from some of the isolation that can come with being a new faculty member.”

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**The community! AE3 have worked absolute magic in networking and connecting the College. The program had one of the biggest impacts on my happiness and belonging this first year at Illinois.**

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**WHAT’S NEXT?**

Collins Scholar Weekly Lunch Sessions
- Fridays, Noon-1:00 pm
- 2405 Siebel Center