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CHARLESTON, IL--Cheryl Utendorf, a student at Eastern Illinois University from Arlington Heights, is the first recipient of the Ralph W. Widener, Jr. Scholarship.

The scholarship was established in the EIU Foundation in honor of Widener, a 1948 graduate. It is presented to an undergraduate speech communication major who "has demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and gives promise for future success in the speech communication field."

The scholarship carries a certificate and cash stipend.

Widener holds the Master of Arts degree from the University of Oklahoma and the doctorate from Southern Illinois University.

He is a well-known author and has spoken widely on historical subjects. Widener resides in Texas.