



Seminary Student Scholarship Program

Purpose

To support individuals pursuing a call to ordained ministry for the United Methodist Church.

Scholarship Amount

Each successful scholarship recipient will be awarded one \$1,000 scholarship. See below for annual renewal option.

Eligibility

Applicant must be a student attending or planning to attend seminary, and must be a member of Hilltop United Methodist Church for a minimum of one year as of the application date.

Application Process

- Applications are accepted and reviewed annually by the scholarship committee.
- Applications can be obtained from the Pastor or Administrative Assistant beginning January 1 each year.
- All information requested, as indicated on the application form, must be provided to be considered a valid application.
- Submit completed applications to: Attn: Scholarship Committee, Hilltop United Methodist Church, 108 S. Manitou Drive, Mankato, MN 56001

Application Period

Applications are accepted from January 1 – April 1.

Award Notification

The scholarship committee will review and notify applicants of their scholarship award by no later than June 1.

Disbursement of Scholarship Funds

The scholarship funds are to be used for direct educational expenses such as tuition & fees or books and supplies. Scholarship check for the full academic year amount will be made payable to the educational institution and sent to the educational institution by August 15 with instructions to apply the scholarship to the student's cost of attendance. In the event the student withdraws from classes before the end of the academic term, the scholarship funds may be retained if the student is still fully obligated for his/her tuition expense; otherwise it is expected that all or part of the funds will be returned to the church. Significant personal circumstances may be considered in such cases to determine the amount to be returned.

Renewal Option

Current seminary students having received prior scholarship funds from this program and successfully progressing toward degree completion may apply for additional funds in subsequent years. Follow the instructions for current/returning students as outlined on the application.

Committee Membership

The scholarship committee shall be comprised of those persons currently serving in the following leadership roles for HUMC: Pastor, Administrative Council Chairperson, Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committee Chairperson, Stewardship Team Chairperson, and Finance Committee Chairperson

The committee will convene in January, April, July, and October to review scholarship program and fulfill scheduled tasks.

Source of Funds

Scholarship is funded by charitable contributions made to Hilltop United Methodist Church and designated for this purpose. The Administrative Council has the authority to increase the fund as needed from the General Fund or from Undesignated Memorials.



Seminary Student Scholarship Application Form

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number _____

Please provide information about the educational institution that you are attending or plan to attend as a seminary student:

School Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Website URL: _____

Please provide information about your academic goals:

Anticipated Degree/Program: _____

Anticipated Degree Completion Date: _____

Verification of Enrollment/Intended Enrollment:

- For new entering students, please attach a copy of your acceptance notice from the school.
- For current/returning students, please attach a copy of your current official or unofficial transcript.

Please provide a brief statement describing your intent to further the ministries of the United Methodist Church upon the completion of your formal seminary education (feel free to attach an additional page if needed):

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit all required information by no later than April 1 to the Pastor or Church Office. Thank you!