

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

MISSION

The Faith United Methodist Church Scholarship Foundation, managed by a stand-alone scholarship committee, provides tuition funds for any member of Faith Church, any dependent children of members or any person actively attending Faith Church for at least one year prior to application for scholarship.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Volunteers at Faith are members of the Scholarship Foundation Committee. The duties of the committee include securing and managing funds, meeting with members seeking financial aid, reviewing applications and voting to approve the funds, as well as raising funds for the Foundation.

AWARDS

For full time (12 credit hours) college, university, vocational/trade school, seminary or graduate school scholarships, (here in after called Institutions or All) the award amount is a maximum of \$2,000 per a year per student and is given out in two increments of a maximum of \$1,000 for any two semesters within a twelve month period.

For students attending less than 12 credit hours the scholarship award will be based on a proportion between the credit hours taken and the full time credit hours.

All courses not based on credit hours will be awarded on an individual basis not to exceed the established maximum scholarship award.

ELIGIBILITY

Our goal is to award financial assistance without age, ethnicity or gender bias to all who meet the following criteria, based on the funds available. Priority will be given in the following order:

1. First-time students, maintaining a C or better average, enrolling at an accredited undergraduate college or university as a full time student.
2. Students attending a vocational/trade school should be enrolled as a full time student as per the school's standard for the program.

ELIGIBILITY – (Continued)

3. Students continuing under-graduate college, university, or vocational/trade school.
4. Students enrolling in seminary or graduate school.
5. Students attending Institutions other than vocational/trade schools part time (less than 12 credit hours) and students attending vocational/trade schools part-time as per the standard for program.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

1. Applicants shall submit a written application on a form supplied by the committee for each \$1,000 award increment for a total maximum of \$2,000 per year, per student. Application forms are available in the church office or can be downloaded online at www.FaithUM.com.

Awards apply to the upcoming semester or term only. Applications must be printed or typed. *Applications and all attachments are due 30 days prior to need and are required to be completed in full to be considered for a scholarship.*

2. All scholarship applicants must solicit and submit two letters of recommendation from the community or church with their initial application.
3. All applicants must submit an official transcript indicating GPA for the last semester from the institution last attended. Renewal applications will require only a copy of the previous semester's grades. Applicant's overall grade point average should be no lower than 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
4. All applicants *may* be required to be interviewed personally by this Committee. No fewer than three members of the Committee may conduct this interview. The unanimous consent of the committee members present for the interview shall constitute final approval of the application.
5. The Institution and student shall be notified of the scholarship award. Funds will be made payable by check to the institution on the account of the applicant.

6. The Committee reserves the right to withdraw the unused portion of any scholarship award upon dismissal or withdrawal from the designated Institution or in the event of any significant change in academic performance.
7. Procedures may be amended without notice by the Committee.

Any questions regarding the completion of this application form should be directed to the Faith UMC office and/or to a Scholarship Committee chairperson: 239-482-2030.

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