

APPLICATION

THE MISSOURI CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR MINISTERIAL STUDENTS
Seminary Students and Church-appointed Undergraduates

I. Personal Information

Name _____ Social Security Number _____

Home Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Age (Optional) Under 30 _____ 30-50 _____ over 50 _____

Family status: Single () Married () Number of dependent children ()

I. Church Information

Are you a Certified Candidate for ministry in Missouri? Yes _____ No _____ (See paragraphs 311 and 312, *The Book of Discipline of the UMC, 2008.*)

To which District in Missouri do you relate? _____ (Note: You must be recognized as having a serious vocational interest in professional ministry in Missouri by your District Committee on Ordained Ministry and/or your District Superintendent.)

Which local church recommended you for ministry? _____

Do you intend to be ordained and serve in the **Missouri Conference** for at least five years following ordination? Yes _____ No _____

What type of church-related career do you seek? _____

Are you currently serving a church, agency or ministry of the United Methodist Church? Yes__ No__

If yes, please identify the church, agency or ministry and describe the capacity in which you serve: _____

Are you serving under conference appointment as a student local pastor? Yes _____ No _____

(Note: If you are an undergraduate and you are **not** under appointment as a student local pastor, you are **not** eligible for financial assistance from the Missouri Conference.)

II. Academic Information

College/University or Seminary you will attend in the 2012-2013 academic year:

College/University/Seminary Name

Address

Major/Degree program: _____ No. Hours completed _____

Grade Point Average: _____ Is coursework primarily on-line? Yes _____ No _____

Academic Year: 1st () 2nd () 3rd () 4th () 5th ()

Number of credit hours in which you plan to enroll in 2012-13:

Fall semester _____ (Winter term _____) Spring semester _____ (Summer _____)

III. Financial Information (Please round all figures to the nearest \$1,000.)

Total cost of tuition, fees, books, room & board at your institution is: \$ _____

Of the amount stated above, how much will be paid for by *grants or scholarships* supplied by the institution, the government, or other private sources? \$ _____ (Do not include loans.)

If you are employed, your total take-home pay for 2012 will be: \$ _____

If married and your spouse is employed, your spouse's 2012 take-home pay will be: \$ _____

If you have outstanding debt, please list the total amount: \$ _____

What portion of this total is student loan debt? \$ _____

Credit card debt? \$ _____

In 2012, what amount will you give to the UM Church & related ministries? \$ _____

Have you received financial assistance from the Missouri Conference or the Missouri United Methodist Foundation within the last three years? Yes _____ No _____

Please describe your financial situation and how scholarship assistance will be of use to you:

IV. Miscellaneous (optional)

Please provide any additional information relating to your need for financial assistance that you would like the scholarship committee to consider: _____

V. Your application will be considered for the following awards.

The number and amount of awards may vary depending on funds available and the number of students applying. Students must reapply each year for consideration.

Seminary and Church-appointed Undergraduate students:

Missouri Conference Student Aid (MEF) Grant

Amounts vary. Full-time or Half-time study.

Seminary students only:

Missouri United Methodist Foundation Seminary Scholars Grant

Full-time = \$3,000 Half-time = \$1,500

(Students must reapply each year and each student is eligible to receive a cumulative maximum amount of \$9,000 within six years of the first grant. This grant is only available to students pursuing the Master of Divinity degree who also are committed to serving in Missouri for at least five years following ordination.)

Missouri Conference Board of Ordained Ministry Seminary Grant

Amounts vary. Full-time or Half-time study.

Stella Kahrs Memorial Scholarship

Each award = \$500. Priority is given to students from churches in the Heartland South District. The number of awards varies.

The information contained on this application is truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that there are many applicants for the limited funds available and that I might not receive any financial assistance.

Signed _____ Date _____

A signed original of this application must be completed and returned by June 30, 2012 to:

Board of Ordained Ministry Scholarship Committee Staff
Attn: Trudy McManus
Missouri United Methodist Conference Office
3601 Amron Court
Columbia, MO 65202

Telephone: (877) 736-1806
Email: TMcManus@moumethodist.org

Unless noted as "optional" all information must be completed on the application. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications may be hand-delivered or sent by regular mail. If sent by mail, the application will be accepted if postmarked by the deadline. If you have questions concerning how to complete any part of this application, please contact the office noted above.