

Bible College Scholarship Guidelines and Application

Non-Traditional Students

- I. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Mid Rivers Christian Church (MRCC) Scholarship Fund is to aid in the preparation of leaders for Kingdom work. The financial aid is intended for any qualified member of MRCC who has the desire to attend a Christian Church/Churches of Christ Christian College affiliated with the Restoration Movement as a full time student (12 or more credit hours).
- II. **QUALIFICATIONS:** This scholarship is available to active members of MRCC who have demonstrated academic achievement, Christian character, and the desire to serve the Lord. Additionally, adults (25 years old and older) must demonstrate reasonable continual successful work experience since high school and/or at least one year sustained work experience at the same place of employment.
- A. **GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS:**
1. Applicant must have placed their membership with MRCC at least six months prior to enrollment at a qualifying college.
- B. **ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:**
1. Applicant must be accepted by and enroll as a full time student (minimum of twelve (12) semester hours) at any Independent Christian Church or Church of Christ Bible College or Seminary whose stated purpose is to advance the Kingdom by training full time ministers or missionaries.
 2. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of the applicant maintaining a cumulative 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 grade point scale for the academic year.
- C. **CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND LIFESTYLE QUALIFICATIONS:** The applicant shall demonstrate an attitude of service to the Lord and shall exhibit sound Christian character based on New Testament guidelines.
1. Applicant shall be involved in at least ten hours of Christian service during the three months preceding application. Examples include, but not limited to:
 - a. Teaching or assisting Sunday school or mid-week classes.
 - b. Church sponsored community service.
 2. Applicant shall be faithful in attendance at worship and Sunday school unless prohibited by work or illness. This requirement shall be verified by Sunday School teachers and attendance slips.
 3. Applicants must conduct themselves in such a way as to maintain a good standing with the college of their choice. Applicants are expected to be financially accountable to their school and to obey all rules and regulations of the college selected while receiving funds from MRCC

III. SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT AND DURATION:

A. AMOUNT:

1. As long as funds permit the scholarship amount shall be a maximum of \$750 per semester while attending an approved Bible College as described in Section II.B.1.
2. In the event sufficient funds are not available to supply the full scholarship amount to all qualified applicants as defined in Section III.A.1, scholarship funds shall be divided up equally among all the qualified applicants.

B. DURATION:

1. Applicant is eligible to receive a scholarship for only one semester at a time.
2. Re-application is required for each subsequent semester.
3. Applicants are eligible for scholarship funds for up to 2 semesters per year, a total of ten semesters.

IV. APPLICATION PROCEDURE: The completed application, all related material, and recommendations shall be submitted no later than July 1 for the Fall semester and no later than December 1 for the Spring Semester. [Note: Fall grades must be submitted by February 1 during the spring semester of the current school year. All other material is due no later than December

A. FIRST TIME APPLICANTS:

1. Must provide an essay of at least 300 words entitled "Why I Want to Attend Bible College", and attend a short interview with the Missions Team.
2. Have three (3) letters of recommendation, excluding relatives consisting of one letter from each of the following:
 - a. Church
 - b. School
 - c. Community
3. A letter to the MRCC Missions Team outlining the applicant's involvement in at least ten hours of Christian service for the previous three months.

B. REPEAT APPLICANTS:

1. A copy of the most current college transcript or grade card, verifying that the applicant is maintaining a cumulative 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 grade point scale for the academic year.
2. A letter to the MRCC Missions Team outlining the applicant's involvement in at least ten hours of Christian service for the previous three months.
3. The scholarship eligibility is for no more than two semesters per calendar year.

C. SUBMITTAL: Hand delivered applications to the MRCC Missions Team will **NOT** be accepted. Acceptable application methods are:

1. Drop it off at the church office,
2. Mail it to Mid Rivers Christian Church, ATTN: Missions Team, 828 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, St. Peters, MO 63376.

V. CHRISTIAN CHURCH/CHURCHES OF CHRIST CHRISTIAN COLLEGES AFFILIATED WITH THE RESTORATION MOVEMENT: Following are the colleges affiliated with the Restoration Movement listed by name, location and type (i.e. BC, Bible College; CC, Christian College; LA, Liberal Arts; GS, Graduate Studies; ES, External Studies).

College	Location	Type
Alberta Bible College	Calgary, Alberta, Canada	BC
Atlanta Christian College	East Point, Georgia	CC
Blueridge College of Evangelism	Wytheville, Virginia	BC
Boise Bible College	Boise, Idaho	BC
Central Christian College of the Bible	Moberly, Missouri	BC
Cincinnati Christian University	Cincinnati, Ohio	BC, GS
Colegio Biblico	Eagle Pass, Texas	BC
College of the Scriptures	Louisville, Kentucky	BC
Crossroads College	Rochester, Minnesota	CC
Dallas Christian College	Dallas, Texas	CC
Emmanuel School of Religion	Johnson City, Tennessee	GS
Florida Christian College	Kissimmee, Florida	BC
Great Lakes Christian College	Lansing, Michigan	BC
Hope International University	Fullerton, California	LA, GS, ES
Johnson Bible College	Knoxville, Tennessee	BC
Kentucky Christian College	Grayson, Kentucky	CC, GS
Lincoln Christian College & Seminary	Lincoln, Illinois	BC, GS
Lincoln Christian College/East Coast	Bel Air, Maryland	BC
Louisville Bible College	Louisville, Kentucky	BC
Manhattan Christian College	Manhattan, Kansas	BC
Maritime Christian College	Charlottetown, PEI, Canada	BC
Mid-South Christian College	Memphis, Tennessee	BC
Milligan College	Milligan College, Tennessee	LA
Nebraska Christian College	Norfolk, Nebraska	BC
Northeast Ohio Bible College	East Liverpool, Ohio	BC
Northwest Christian College	Eugene, Oregon	LA
Ozark Christian College	Joplin, Missouri	BC
Platte Valley Bible College	Scottsbluff, Nebraska	BC
Puget Sound Bible College	Everett, Washington	BC
Roanoke Bible College	Elizabeth City, North Carolina	BC
Saint Louis Christian College	Florissant, Missouri	BC
Summit Theological Seminary	Peru, Indiana	BC, GS, ES
TCM International Institute	Vienna, Austria	GS
William Jessup College	Rocklin, California	CC
Winston-Salem bible College	Winston-Salem, North Carolina	BC

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION SUMMARY

Yr _____ Spring _____ Fall _____ First Time Student _____ Current Student _____

Name:		Address:		
City:	State:	Phone:	College:	
Address:		City:		State:
Phone:	College Advisor:		Ext:	
High School:		Graduation Date:	G.P.A.	
National Assessment Test Scores: S.A.T. _____ A.C.T. _____ Other: _____				
Colleges Attended	Year	Graduation Date	Cumulative G.P.A.	
DEADLINES: APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED BY JULY 1 FOR FALL SEMESTER AND DECEMBER 1 FOR SPRING SEMESTER.				