

United Methodist Foundation of Arkansas Seminary Scholarship

Application

This application is for the United Methodist Foundation of Arkansas Seminary Scholarship and is awarded to those selected candidates seeking **ELDERS** orders in the Arkansas Conference as a pastor of a local church. Application and all requested items must be received by March 1, 2012. If you wish to apply, please return this form and the requested items to: BOM Secretary, Arkansas Area Office, 800 Daisy Bates Dr., Little Rock, AR 72202-3770. For more information, call BOM Secretary locally at 324-8033 or toll-free at 877-646-1816, or you may contact Dr. Sandy Smith at 501-529-1396.

Please print:

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State & Zip _____

Phone(s): permanent _____ home _____ work _____

Fax, E-mail _____

If a student, where _____

Name/Location of Church membership _____

Present employment _____

If you have applied or been accepted to a United Methodist seminary, please name it: _____

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1. As a separate attachment, briefly describe **your call to ministry as an elder** in the United Methodist Church and **why you are seeking this United Methodist Foundation of Arkansas scholarship**.
 2. Include a copy of Form 113. **Eligibility for this scholarship grant requires that an applicant be a Certified Candidate** (2008 Book of Discipline, Para. 311.2).
 3. Send a copy of your most recent college transcript.
 4. Include a copy of your resume (including volunteer as well as paid employment).
 5. Include a minimum of two recommendation letters. One must be from someone currently and directly involved with your ministry/leadership. Ask them to include statements about your initiative, leadership potential, and capacity for growth, as well as a description of your work.
 6. I understand that receiving this scholarship is contingent upon:
 - a. submission of application
 - b. interview with scholarship committee

- c. agreeing to sign a Ministry Covenant, wherein you agree to pursue **ELDERS** orders in the Arkansas Conference as a pastor of a local church. This scholarship is only awarded to those who intend to pursue ministry as a local church pastor, not other forms of ministry.
- d. approval as a **Certified Candidate with the intent of pursuing Elders Orders**
- e. acceptance for graduate work as a **full-time** student at a **United Methodist seminary**

Applicant Signature

Date

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Yes No

Are you indebted from your undergraduate work? If so, how much?
\$ _____

Have you applied for other scholarships?

Are you the recipient of other scholarships or grants? If so, please describe: _____

How do you plan to fund your seminary education? _____

Describe your church and/or civic volunteer experiences. _____

