



# Clergy Tribute Scholarship Criteria

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## Requirements:

- Applicant must have completed at least a bachelor's degree or be a college senior in last semester of obtaining their bachelor's degree
- Applicant must be enrolled in or preparing to enroll in a course of study leading to ordination as an elder or deacon.
- Applicant must be planning to attend a seminary approved and recognized by the United Methodist University Senate and/or the United Methodist Board of Higher Education and Ministry, or their successors.
- Applicant must be preparing for United Methodist ministry in Iowa either in a local church or a community focused ministry.
- Applicant shall provide a transcript of recent college/seminary courses and credits as this is a merit based scholarship.
- Applicant must submit a FAFSA/IRS Tax return.
- Applicant must submit a personal journey statement describing their call to ministry and involvement in the Church and wider Christian Community.

## **Three** letters of recommendation required:

- The pastor or a committee on pastor-parish relations of the local church holding the applicant's membership
- An academic professor of their undergraduate college/university or seminary
- A wider community representative who has observed them in an employment or volunteer setting

Please apply online at [www.iumf.org/scholarships/](http://www.iumf.org/scholarships/) if **all** criteria is met.

All applications and required documentation must be completed online, the Foundation cannot accept applications and documentation sent by mail or email.

All questions regarding application process must be directed to ISTS at 855-670-4787.

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