



Mother Carrie Scholarship Criteria

Requirements:

- ☐ **First** preference to members of Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Urbandale, Iowa.
- ☐ **Second** preference to persons that are a resident of Iowa and member of a United Methodist Church.
- ☐ Applicant must be enrolled or planning to enroll in a community college, college, university or religious seminary.
- ☐ Applicant must be working towards a degree in full time Christian service, preference to pastoral or other church-related ministry.
- ☐ Applicant is eligible to receive this scholarship for maximum of four years.
- ☐ Applicant must submit grade transcript to date.
- ☐ Proof of ACT and/or SAT test scores are **optional** but this will not be the determining factor.

Personal Statement Essay Question

Use this opportunity to allow the committee to get to know you beyond what is supplied in the application/transcript. Ideas you could write about:

- Background, identity, interest or talent that is meaningful to you and why.
- Your call to ministry.
- Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal and/or spiritual growth or new understanding of yourself.
- Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback or failure. How did it affect you and your faith? How did you overcome it?

Recommendation Letters

Three letters of recommendation required:

1. Pastor
2. School Advisor/Counselor or Teacher
3. Community Leader **outside** the local church, i.e. employer, coach, etc. (No relatives)

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