



## Rainsford A. & Elizabeth A. Brown Jr. Seminary Scholarship Endowment Criteria

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### **Requirements:**

- ☐ Applicant must be a member in good standing of an Iowa United Methodist Church for at least two years prior to entering seminary.
- ☐ 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 at 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 show a clear intent on entering Christian ministry.
- ☐ **Preference** will be given to students from Iowa.
- ☐ Applicant must submit a college/seminary transcript to date.
- ☐ Applicant must demonstrate a financial need. Applicant **must** submit a FAFSA/IRS Tax return.

### **Personal Statement Essay Question**

Write a personal statement describing your call to ministry and your personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

### **Recommendation Letters**

**Three** letters of recommendation required:

1. Pastor
2. Parish-Pastor Relations Committee or equivalent
3. Academic Professor of their undergraduate or seminary

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