



# SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

South Carolina United Methodist Women is offering a scholarship to future leaders of United Methodist Women. As a supportive community, our desire is to financially assist young women with their higher educational needs.

Two are better than one,  
because they have a good return for their labor:

<sup>10</sup> If either of them falls down,  
one can help the other up.

But pity anyone who falls  
and has no one to help them up.

<sup>11</sup> Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm.  
But how can one keep warm alone?

<sup>12</sup> Though one may be overpowered,  
two can defend themselves.

A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

-Ecclesiastes 4: 9-12 (New International Version)

## APPLICATION PACKET

Packets are available from District Presidents and members of the Conference UMW Scholarship Committee and on the conference website, [www.umcsc.org/umw](http://www.umcsc.org/umw).

### *This packet includes the following forms:*

1. Requirements for Scholarship Application
2. Scholarship Standards
3. Application for Presidential Scholarship
4. Scholarship Application – High School Guidance Counselor
5. Scholarship Application – Dean or Advisor
6. Checklist for Completing Application

Each applicant should be given all six forms listed above. The applicant is required to complete the Application for Presidential Scholarship form. If the applicant is in high school, she should have her high school Guidance Counselor complete the appropriate form; if in college, her Dean or Advisor should complete the appropriate form. If employed, her employer should complete the Guidance Counselor form. Letters of recommendation are required from the applicant's local pastor and the president of her local UMW.

*In order for an application to be considered, it must be typed or legibly written. **ALL** required materials are due to the chairperson of the Scholarship Committee with a postmark date no later than March 1.*

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## REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1. Scholarships are made available *to women who*:
  - a. *Are members* of a South Carolina United Methodist Church.
  - b. Have met all Scholarship Standards as set by the United Methodist Women of the South Carolina Conference.
  - c. Can show active participation in the program and service activities of the church.
  - d. Have a minimum 2.5 GPA in high school or college. Student is responsible for requesting a current official transcript to be sent directly to the chair of the Scholarship Committee from her high school or college. *First and second-year college students must also include an official high school transcript.*
2. Applicant will be evaluated on grade point average (GPA), leadership potential, and UMW and church participation.
3. A personal letter of introduction shall be submitted by the applicant.
4. Letters or forms of recommendation are required from the following: **(No letters from parents or legal guardians will be accepted.)**
  - a. Pastor, Lay Leader, or Youth Leader.
  - b. President of the local United Methodist Women's unit or United Methodist Women's District Officers.

**Note 1:** *Letters of recommendation should include leadership potential and active participation in the program and services of the church.*

- c. School Guidance Counselor and/or teacher (if just finishing high school). Form on page 5.
- d. Dean and/or Advisor (if already enrolled in college or graduate school). Form on page 6.

**Note 2:** *If applicant has been out of high school or college for a number of years and it is impossible to obtain an academic recommendation, her employer should complete the form on page 5.*

5. **The completed application including all items on the checklist and the signed checklist on page 7 must be received by the chair of the Conference Scholarship Committee postmarked no later than March 1<sup>st</sup> to be considered.**

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PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP STANDARDS

1. Scholarships are available to women who are members of a South Carolina Conference United Methodist Church.
2. Undergraduate and graduate scholarships are awarded to students who have been accepted at an institution of higher learning, which include technical, two-year, or four-year college or university.
3. Scholarships for graduate and undergraduate study shall be given annually, based on the availability of funds.
4. The scholarship money will be paid directly to the designated college by the Conference Treasurer. One-half of the award will be paid for the first semester, and the other half of the award will be disbursed upon successful completion of the first semester term.
5. The scholarship is granted for one year with the privilege of reapplying for additional years. **No more than two SCCUMW Presidential Scholarships will be awarded to any individual.**
6. Application forms will be available from all District Presidents of the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women, members of the Scholarship Committee, and from the conference website, [www.umcsc.org/umw](http://www.umcsc.org/umw). All applications (**typed or legibly written**) must be sent directly to the chairperson of the Scholarship Committee.
7. The Conference Scholarship Committee will make the final selection of the recipients.
8. No application will be considered unless all requirements are postmarked by the March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
9. Not all applications will be funded.
10. All applicants will be notified of the committee's decision.

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THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

APPLICATION FOR PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

1. Name in full \_\_\_\_\_

2. Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

3. Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name and address of church \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Date of membership \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name and address of high school \_\_\_\_\_

Date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_

6. Name and address of institution of higher learning at which you have been accepted or are now attending \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_

7. Name and address of employer if you have been out of high school or college more than 2 years \_\_\_\_\_

8. In what field of work are you most interested? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Is this your first application for this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be postmarked by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please return this form to the following:**

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PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

**The first two lines are to be filled in by the applicant:**

Name of student \_\_\_\_\_

Address of student \_\_\_\_\_

The above-named student is applying for this scholarship. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in answering the following questions.

**The following is to be filled in by High School Guidance Counselor. This information is confidential.**

1. Where does the student rank in her graduating class? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is the enrollment of the class? \_\_\_\_\_ Of the school? \_\_\_\_\_

3. What special abilities has this student shown? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Has she assumed a position of leadership? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, in what way? \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

**5. We would welcome any additional information you may wish to provide that would help us evaluate this student. Please attach.**

**Please return to applicant in a sealed envelope. The entire application packet must be received by the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Scholarship Committee chair postmarked no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>.**

School name \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor

Printed name \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

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PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DEAN OR ADVISOR

**The first two lines are to be filled in by the applicant:**

Name of student \_\_\_\_\_

Address of student \_\_\_\_\_

The above-named student is applying for this scholarship. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in answering the following questions.

**The following is to be filled in by Dean or Advisor:                      This information is confidential.**

1. What is the student's Grade Point Average? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What special abilities has this student shown during her time in college? \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Has she assumed a position of leadership? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, in what way? \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**4. We would welcome any additional information you may wish to provide that would help us evaluate this student. Please attach.**

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School name \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dean/Advisor

Printed name \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

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Checklist for Presidential Scholarship Application

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Completed Application for Presidential Scholarship
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Personal letter of introduction
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Current **official transcript** sent directly to the chair of the Scholarship Committee from the school or college
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Letters or forms of recommendation:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor, Lay Leader, or Youth Leader
  
  - \_\_\_\_\_ President of local United Methodist Women's unit or United Methodist Women's District Officer
  
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Guidance Counselor (if completing high school) Form on page 5.
  
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Employer (if out of school) Form on page 5.
  
  - \_\_\_\_\_ Dean and/or Advisor (if already enrolled in college or graduate school) Form on page 6.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**All forms must be received by the South Carolina Conference United Methodist Women Scholarship Committee chairperson postmarked no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please insure that you have submitted all items on the checklist.**

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