



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:

¹⁰ 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.

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

¹² 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.

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 by March 1st.*

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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's 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 no later than March 1st 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. If reapplying (providing a scholarship was previously awarded to an applicant), only the **Application for Scholarship form** and a current **official transcript** are required.
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. 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 received by the March 1st 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 received by March 1st. 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? _____

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 by March 1st.

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? _____

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

4. 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 by March 1st.

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 no later than March 1st. Please include all forms in one packet.

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