

University United Methodist Church Scholarships

At University United Methodist Church (UMC), we believe the love of Jesus Christ transforms lives. Our mission is to share that love with others through our words and actions. The past and present generosity of its members has funded the creation of a number of academic scholarships as just one aspect of that mission.

The Kum-Duble Scholarship (begun by the Kum-Duble Sunday School Class in 1978), the Peek Scholarship, the Sturges-Brian Scholarship, and the Dorothy and Edward A. Collins Scholarship were created to aid young men and women in their pursuit of post-secondary (undergraduate and graduate) education.

The Lois Pruett Williams Scholarship Trust was created in honor and remembrance of Lois Pruett Williams, with the aim of providing financial assistance for a parent or parents who find it difficult to provide tuition funds for their child or children to enroll in the University United Methodist Church's Child Development Center (UUMC CDC).

Awards will be selected and funded twice a year (Fall and Spring Semesters). All scholarship awards will only be distributed directly to the educational institution as identified in your application. All scholarship awards will be contingent upon the student's enrollment in the institution listed in his/her application. If the student delays enrollment, the award will not be issued.

Scholarship Eligibility:

- For college/university academic scholarships...
 - ✓ Applicants must be enrolled or accepted in a full-time (12 semester hour minimum) undergraduate program (either two or four year) or a full-time graduate (i.e. masters, doctorate) program at an accredited institution of higher education.
 - ✓ Applicants must demonstrate academic promise by having maintained at least a "C" (2.0) grade point average, as evidenced by provided transcripts.
 - ✓ Students may reapply for scholarships throughout their academic career, but are limited to receiving funds for a maximum of 8 semesters total. New applications must be submitted for consideration for each semester award. Subsequent scholarships are contingent upon successful completion of previous academic work.
- For Williams (UUMC CDC) scholarships, applicants must provide evidence of enrollment or acceptance by the University Child Development Center.

Scholarship Considerations:

- ✓ University UMC membership is not required. However, past and/or present involvement in University UMC ministries will receive higher consideration in award decisions.
- ✓ With the exception of the Williams UUMC CDC scholarship, financial need is not a requirement for a scholarship. However, those applicants with a stated financial need will receive higher consideration in award decisions.
- ✓ Additional consideration for college/university academic scholarships will also be given for applicants who show academic promise, as demonstrated by transcripts of past academic success and essay responses.

University UMC employs an online scholarship application for all scholarships, available through its website (<https://www.uumcfw.com/ministries>). To apply...

- Complete the online scholarship application by the June (for Fall semester scholarships) and January (for Spring semester scholarships) deadline as posted on the website. No late or incomplete applications will be considered.
 - Information required for the application is as follows:
 - ✓ Name/Mailing Address/Phone/email
 - ✓ College/University*, Major, Anticipated Degree/Graduation Date**, Credit Hours Planned for the Scholarship Semester**
 - ✓ Student ID Number (To ensure scholarship is credited to the correct account) **
 - ✓ University Financial Office Mailing Address (Where the scholarship awards will be sent) *
- *For Williams Scholarship, mark "UUMC CDC"
- **For Williams Scholarship, mark "N/A"
- Additionally, provide your responses in the application to the following short answer/essay questions:
 - ✓ Please describe your past and/or present involvement with ministries at UUMC, if applicable. (200 words max)
 - ✓ Please describe your personal and academic goals and plans for the future (250-500 words).
 - ✓ Please describe any financial hardship you may be currently facing (if applicable) (250 words max).
 - Upload an electronic copy (pdf or jpg/png/bmp file) of your most recent high school or college transcripts as indicated in the online application. Unofficial copies are accepted as long as the providing school is identified on the transcript. (This requirement is not applicable for the Williams CDC scholarship. Instead, Williams scholarship applicants must upload proof of enrollment in the UUMC CDC.)
 - Ensure at least two references upload recommendation forms using the link to be provided when you complete the online application. Recommendations must be uploaded by your references by the deadline to be considered.
 - If reapplying, all application requirements must be updated/resubmitted, including transcripts and references/recommendation forms.

For further information or any questions, please feel free to email the University UMC Scholarship Committee (uumcscholarships@universityumc.com).