



St. Paul's United Methodist Church Foundation
1340 Third Ave SE – Cedar Rapids, IA 52403 – (319) 363-2058

St. Paul's Seminary Scholarship – Application Form - 2020

To be considered:

- Applicant must be a seminary student who is a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, or is a member of another United Methodist church in the East Central District of the Iowa Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, or is a member of any other church in the Iowa Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church
- The seminary being attended must be accredited by the Association of Theological Schools and be recognized by the University Senate of the United Methodist Church as an affiliated or approved graduate theological seminary
- Application must be completed in full
- Application and two letters of reference must be received or postmarked by April 15, 2020
- If you have questions, contact Jerry Oakland, (319) 363-2058 or joakland@StPaulsUMC.org

Name _____

Application Date _____ Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Preferred Telephone No. _____ E-mail Address _____

Are You a Member of St. Paul's UMC? _____ If no, then where? _____

Name of Parent(s), if member(s) of St. Paul's UMC? _____

Your Occupation _____ Employer _____

Name of High School _____ H.S. Graduation Date _____

Colleges attended, degrees earned, and dates attended _____

Seminary attending this coming year _____

Are you preparing for a full-time career in pastoral ministry? _____

Please explain _____

Expected date of seminary graduation _____ Candidacy/clergy status _____

Will you attend full time? _____ If no, # of hours per semester _____

Average # hours you worked per week during the past year _____

Average # hours you worked per week during the previous year _____

Average # hours you worked per week last summer _____

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Scholarships will be awarded based on the information included in this application. In order to inform the committee of your faith, involvement in the life of St. Paul's United Methodist Church (or your home church), extra-curricular activities, community service, work experience and academic interest, please attach to this application your responses to the following:

1. **A statement of faith:** Write an essay of at least two to three paragraphs to describe your faith and your journey to become a Christian. This journey does not begin or end with baptism. Write about what caused you to seek Christ, obstacles you may have encountered or are currently encountering, and people or situations that helped your faith develop. How has your relationship with Christ affected your life?
2. **Activities participated in at St. Paul's UMC, or your college church or faith group:** Describe how you are involved in church activities or things you do to help out at your church, e.g., at the service or classes, serving food at church, cleaning up at church. In what ways have you been involved at St. Paul's?
3. **Community service activities within the last two (2) years:** Describe how you are involved in activities in the community, school, or helping out a neighbor or person in your community, etc. Please explain so we can understand what you did.
4. **Goals after high school or current goals regarding the program or college you are attending:** What is the course of study or program that you have chosen to pursue? Why did you chose it? What would you like to accomplish?
5. **Extracurricular school and community activities within the last two (2) years:** Describe your involvement in school activities, college groups, singing groups, athletic groups or other school and community programs such as the Summer Park and Recreation programs.
6. **Paid or unpaid work experience within the last two (2) years:** Where have you worked and what did you do. What is your current job? How many hours per week? If you had an unpaid experience such as internship, job shadow, hospital volunteer or other type of unpaid work, please explain. Again provide how many hours were devoted to this?

Two (2) or more current letters of reference, must be submitted with your application.

Completed and signed applications (the form, responses to the questions, and reference letters) must be submitted by April 15 by:

1. emailing to JOakland@StPaulsUMC.org or
2. Mailing or delivering to:
St. Paul's UMC Scholarship Committee
1340 Third Ave. SE
Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

I certify by my signature below that the information included in this Scholarship Application is true and correct.

Student's signature: _____ Date: _____

Only applications received or postmarked by April 15, 2020 will be considered.