

PURPOSE: To recognize two Master's level theological students' outstanding academic performance and leadership skills. These two scholarships will be awarded annually on or before August 1, in the amount of \$1,000.00 (one thousand dollars).

FUNDING: Funding for these scholarships comes from contributions and personal donations made by United Methodist communities' senior residents at Bristol Glen.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Enrollment in a seminary accredited by The Association of Theological Schools (ATS).
- The applicant must be a New Jersey resident and provide a photocopy of their NJ Driver's License or other proof of NJ residence.
- The applicant must have a B academic average and provide the Scholarship Committee with a copy of their most recent academic transcript.
- Award is granted for one academic year only.
- The scholarship committee will select the recipients after reviewing their documents.
- Recipients must be willing to come to United Methodist Communities at Bristol Glen to receive the scholarship awards in person.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Applications can be found at umcommunities.org or requested from Dr. Carl Bannister at cbannister@umcommunities.org. Applicants must return the completed application form with requested documentation by 4:30 pm, July 31. If July 31 falls on a weekend, the application deadline will be 4:30 pm on the following Monday.

APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT: Submit eight (8) completed, collated, and user-friendly information packets containing copies of the application and all required documents bound in a booklet for our scholarship committee members to review. Incomplete materials and items which arrive under separate cover will not be considered. The packet must contain original documents, but the other eight may be copies. No additional material will be considered.

The following items must be submitted in each packet:

1. Completed application form.
2. Proof of continuing enrollment (proof of registration in classes for the upcoming fall semester) in a seminary accredited by The Association of Theological Schools (ATS)
3. Most recent academic transcript (include the original transcript with your original packet and eight duplicates for the scholarship committee member to review).
4. One current personal reference letter from a spiritual mentor.
5. Typewritten essay, double-spaced, no more than 500 words describing why you feel called to ministry, what informed your decision to pursue ministry, and where you feel called to serve.
6. A brief statement of financial need and reason for requesting a scholarship.
7. Copy of NJ Driver's license or other proof of New Jersey residence.