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SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR UNITED METHODIST STUDENTS

The United Methodist Higher Education Foundation Awards \$2+ Million Annually

Nashville, TN - The United Methodist Higher Education Foundation (UMHEF) will accept scholarship applications for the 2022-2023 academic year between January 1 – March 1, 2022. Students who are members of The United Methodist Church and planning to attend a United Methodist-related school, college, university, or seminary full-time are eligible to apply.

UMHEF's two main programs are General Named Endowed (GNE) Scholarships and the United Methodist Dollars for Scholars (UMDFS) program. The GNE application is a typical competitive scholarship that considers leadership, GPA, and financial need. With this one application, students will be considered for over 100 different endowments (additional requirements may apply). Some awards are available to those attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities as well as other ethically diverse students.

The UMDFS program is the foundation's most popular scholarship program. It starts with a \$1,000 scholarship from a student's home UMC (more than one church may combine funds). If selected, this scholarship is matched by UMHEF to total \$2,000. Participating United Methodist-related schools and UM Conference Foundations may, depending on available funds, each match the initial scholarship to total up to \$4,000.

More information on eligibility criteria, the application process, and FAQs can be found at www.umhef.org/scholarships. Applications and supporting materials must be submitted/postmarked no later than March 1, 2022.

The grand vision of UMHEF is that it be financially possible for qualified United Methodist students to attend a United Methodist-related institution of higher education. Annually, the foundation provides nearly 1,000 UMC students with scholarships totaling more than \$2 million. Learn more at <https://www.umhef.org/>.

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