



# Southwest Baptist University

## **CHURCH RELATED VOCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

### **WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP?**

Students (1) who feel a divine call to ministry **and** (2) who are Majors in the Courts Redford College of Theology and Ministry (includes Intercultural Studies Majors); Church Music Majors are also eligible to receive this scholarship.

**Scholarship amount per academic year: \$2,000**

Deadline for application: March 1

Deadline for supporting documentation: June 1

**A. To receive this scholarship, the following items must be in the In-Service Training Office before these deadlines for the Fall and Spring semester: June 1 – Fall; January 15 - Spring**

1. A signed application form and completed personal information sheet.
2. Two-page autobiography including your conversion and call to Christian service (your personal testimony).
3. Letter from your church stating the specific area of ministry in which a **public** commitment was made and recognized by the church.
4. Three letters of reference mailed to the In-Service Training Director (address listed below). We strongly **prefer** your pastor and/or youth minister, employer, and a teacher. **Please do not use family members or current SBU students.** Please ask your references to mail these directly to the In-Service Training Office.

**B. To continue receiving this scholarship, a student must do the following each year:**

1. Attend all monthly field work meetings and report on field work for preceding month (min. 4 hours)
2. Maintain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.000 as a full time student.
3. Keep personal information sheet up to date.
4. Provide copy of license and ordination certificate when available.
5. Complete THE 3023, **The Baptist Denomination**, before the conclusion of the student's junior year.

These requirements are designed to aid you as you prepare for Christian service. The funds expended and received for this scholarship are to be repaid to SBU by the recipient if the recipient is not engaged in vocational ministry within seven years after graduation. Please sign below if you agree to comply with these and any related requirements in the college catalog, and if you are willing to cooperate in every way possible with the in-service training program.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

You are advised to retain a copy of this application for your records.

**Please send this application and letters of reference to:** Dr. Mike Fuhrman, In-Service Training Director  
The Courts Redford College of Theology and Ministry  
Southwest Baptist University  
1600 University Avenue  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
Fax 417.328.1771  
Phone 417.328.1760

**PERSONAL INFORMATION SHEET**  
**CHURCH RELATED VOCATION SCHOLARSHIP**  
Southwest Baptist University                      In-Service Training Office

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Semester Applying For: Fall Spring Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**General Information: (please print in ink)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Have you ever been divorced? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/guardian and address (single students only) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own a car? Yes No If yes, list make and year \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be secularly employed while at the University? \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Income \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's name and address \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of a crime involving sexual abuse or molestation of children? Yes No

If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Information:**

Local/Campus Address (if known) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

SBU Major \_\_\_\_\_ Classification: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

High School attended \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all other colleges attended:

Name of Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Attended \_\_\_\_\_

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**Church Information:**

What church vocation are you planning to enter? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you the child of a minister? Yes No Are you employed by a church? Yes No

If so, church name and address \_\_\_\_\_

Present church membership \_\_\_\_\_

Church address \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's name and address \_\_\_\_\_

In which of the following are you most interested: (number in order)

Pastoral Ministry _____	North America Missions _____	Church Music _____
Evangelism _____	International Missions _____	Church Recreation _____
Chaplaincy _____	Religious Education _____	Youth Work _____

**Experience in religious work:** Preached \_\_\_\_\_ Years Conducted \_\_\_\_\_ Revivals  
Year Licensed \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_ Year Ordained \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_  
Can you lead singing? \_\_\_\_\_ Sing solos? \_\_\_\_\_ Play piano? \_\_\_\_\_ Organ? \_\_\_\_\_ Other? \_\_\_\_\_

**Voluntary church experience:** Years Church or Group  
Direct congregational singing \_\_\_\_\_  
Singing in choir \_\_\_\_\_  
Youth work \_\_\_\_\_  
R. A. and Baptist men's work \_\_\_\_\_  
Acteens and Baptist women's work \_\_\_\_\_  
Church training leadership \_\_\_\_\_  
S. S. teaching \_\_\_\_\_  
Deacon \_\_\_\_\_  
Other church leadership \_\_\_\_\_

**Paid church experience:**  
Position \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Employment \_\_\_\_\_  
Church Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Salary \_\_\_\_\_  
Position \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Employment \_\_\_\_\_  
Church Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Salary \_\_\_\_\_

**Married students: (for information purposes only)** Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_  
Does your spouse play piano? \_\_\_\_\_ Organ? \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of children \_\_\_\_\_ Please list names and ages below:  
Boys \_\_\_\_\_ Girls \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list three references (NO FAMILY MEMBERS) that will be sending their recommendations.**  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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