Southwestern University
United Methodist Scholarship Application

This application is for the scholarships listed below

J. A. Knowles Memorial Scholarship – $1,000 to $5,000 for one year
Funds for this program are received through the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM). Applicants must be an active, full member of the United Methodist Church for at least one year prior to application. In addition, candidates must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States, and enrolled as a full-time student at Southwestern. Selection is based on merit and not need. Requires a minimum gpa of 2.5 to be considered.

United Methodist Scholarship - $1,000 to $3,000 for one year
Funds for this program are received through the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM). Applicants must be an active, full member of the United Methodist Church for at least one year prior to application. In addition, applicants must be a full-time degree seeking student at Southwestern, and must be a citizen or permanent resident of the U.S., or a member of one of the Central Conferences of the United Methodist Church. Applicants must file a FAFSA for the 2014-15 year and demonstrate financial need Requires a minimum gpa of 3.0 to be considered.

United Methodist Foundation Scholarship – Four $1,000 awards to a First-Year, Sophomore, Junior and Senior
Funds for this program are provided through the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation (UMHEF). Applicants must be members of the United Methodist Church for at least one year, and be U.S. citizens or permanent residents enrolled in full-time degree programs. Applicants must file a FAFSA for the 2014-15 year and demonstrate financial need. Requires a minimum gpa of 3.0 to be considered.

Texas United Methodist College Association Scholarships – variable amounts, $1,000 minimum, based on need
Funds for this program are provided by the Texas United Methodist College Association (TUMCA). Applicants must be members of the United Methodist Church for at least one year, with their home church being in Texas. Applicants must file a FAFSA for the 2014-2015 year and demonstrate financial need. Requires a minimum gpa of 2.5 to be considered.

Martin Esteban Aleman Scholarship – $2,000 for one year
Funds for this program are provided by the Martin Esteban Aleman, Truan-Aleman Memorial Scholarship Endowment. Applicants must be members of one of the Texas Conferences of the United Methodist Church and have taken an active leadership role within their conference. Preference is given to students who have taken an active leadership role in the Rio Grande Conference.

INSTRUCTIONS:
Please complete the attached application and submit it, along with any additional documentation, to the Financial Aid Office by **May 1**. Be sure to sign your application before you submit it.

How are the recipients selected and when are they notified?
Applications are solicited though campus-wide announcements. Scholarship candidates will identify themselves. Candidates complete and submit a scholarship application, along with supporting documentation, to the Financial Aid Office by May 1, 2014. Applications are reviewed by the Financial Aid Office, which determines the recipients of the award. All applicants will be notified of their final status in writing by June 30, 2014.

If I meet the criteria above, does this mean I will receive the scholarship?
No. These are competitive scholarships and the recipients will be selected from the pool of applicants for the scholarship. We anticipate that the pool of applicants will exceed the number of available scholarships. Therefore, we do not anticipate that all applicants will receive a scholarship.

How does this scholarship affect any other financial aid I receive?
Student who are awarded any of these scholarships and who also receive need-based financial aid will have this scholarship incorporated into their need-based financial aid package in accordance with federal and state regulations and university policy.

Southwestern University 2014-15

United Methodist Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: May 1

Name _____

On-Campus or Off-Campus Address_____

Summer Address _____

Primary Phone Number _____Alternate Phone Number _____

Primary E-mail Address_____Alternate E-mail Address _____

Current Cumulative GPA: _____Current number of hours earned: _____

Current Major: _____Minor:_____

If you are an undecided major, please indicate your area(s) of academic interest: _____

Please indicate the scholarship(s) for which you would like to be considered (check all that apply):

_____J. A. Knowles Memorial Scholarship
_____United Methodist Scholarship
_____United Methodist Foundation Scholarship
_____TUMCA Scholarship
_____Martin Esteban Aleman Scholarship

Are you a dependent of United Methodist clergy?_____Yes____No

Church membership information

Name of United Methodist Church where you are a member: _____

Name of Pastor: _____

Complete mailing address of your church: _____

Annual Conference of your church:_____

Have you been a member of the United Methodist Church for at least one year? Yes _____ No_____

Please indicate your involvement within the United Methodist Church, being sure to highlight any church or conference leadership roles you have had. (Attach a separate sheet or resume if necessary)

Signature Section:

With my signature below, I certify that the information provided above is true and correct, and represents my own work. I authorize the release of my grades and any additional pertinent information to the scholarship committee for the purpose of evaluating my scholarship eligibility. If I am awarded a scholarship I also authorize the release of my information to the corresponding donor or foundation (such as the GBHEM, UMHEF or TUMCA.) I understand that providing my application information is subject to Southwestern's Honor Code and that any misrepresentation of my information will subject me to possible disciplinary action and disqualify me from this scholarship.

I also understand that, if awarded a United Methodist scholarship, I may be asked to speak to my congregation about how I have benefited from receiving this award.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____