

## **Guy and Margaret Smith College Scholarship Guidelines (rev. 2019)**

All applicants for scholarships must meet the following requirements:

1. Show financial need by one of several ways:
  - a. Be a member of a low income family
  - b. Show a financial hardship (major illness with loss of income, job loss, multiple family members in college, others)
  - c. List all sources of financial support— scholarship, grant, loan, family
2. Be active in Nashville area United Methodist Church for at least 1 year prior to application (active in youth group, study group, volunteer activities, church programs).
3. Must have graduated from high school or completed GED requirements
4. All candidates must provide transcripts of most current grades from last school attended (high school or university) or GED certification. College GPA must be 2.0 or higher.
5. Show proof of acceptance into a university or college that is accredited by the Southern Assn of Colleges and Universities or its counterpart in other areas of USA.
6. Must be enrolled in an area of study for a career in a service related field such as teaching, social work, health care, ministry or counseling.
7. Complete the application and participate in an interview (if requested) as described below.
8. Submit three letters of reference to include a teacher, a church staff member and a person of applicant's choice.
9. Age at entry into college is not a criterion.
10. Mailing Address and account info for payment to your school must be provided if you are awarded the scholarship.

Process:

1. Application must be submitted by May 15 (**or date determined by the endowment committee**) prior to the fall semester of the school year for which funds are awarded
2. Applications will be available from the Blakemore United Methodist Church office at 3601 West End Ave Nashville, TN 39205 or via the church website at [www.blakemoreumc.org](http://www.blakemoreumc.org)
3. Applications must be submitted to Blakemore United Methodist Church office at 3601 West End Ave Nashville, TN 39205
4. Preference will be given to freshman candidates. Sophomore or higher level will be considered as well
5. Review committee will consist of 5 people (from endowment committee and church members)
6. The awards will consist of 4% of the scholarship fund not to exceed \$1000 per candidate.
7. If more than one candidate is selected, the award amount (see # 4 above) will be divided between the recipient

# APPLICATION GUY AND MARGARET SMITH COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

This constitutes a request for consideration to receive scholarship financial aid from this endowment fund. The applicant believes he or she qualifies for consideration based on the criteria listed on the previous page. The Scholarship committee may request an informal interview with you to gain a better appreciation of your career and educational goals as well as financial need. If you need help with the application or have other questions please contact Blakemore United Methodist Church office at 615-297-6519.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Dependents \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you employed: Y / N Where \_\_\_\_\_ # hours/week \_\_\_\_\_

If married, is spouse employed: Y / N Number worked per week: \_\_\_\_\_

Where: \_\_\_\_\_ Length of employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Your income last year? \_\_\_\_\_ Family income last year: \_\_\_\_\_

List all sources and amounts of financial aid :

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What college/ university will you be attending? \_\_\_\_\_

Start date: \_\_\_\_\_ Living on campus? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what is the cost? \_\_\_\_\_

What is estimated tuition fees for 1 year (2 semesters)? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the estimated cost of books and supplies? \_\_\_\_\_

What field of study will you pursue? \_\_\_\_\_

Discuss / explain what led you to that field of study and your career goals.

**Please attach a separate sheet to provide this information.**

The deadline for application submission is May 15 (or date determined by the endowment committee) and the decision on recipients will be completed by end of June.