

Scholarship Resources

Available for Baptist Students at Duke Divinity School

Baptist House Recommended Scholarships

Each year the Baptist House scholarship committee awards a range of funds from both endowed and non-endowed sources. Students must be identified as “Baptist” in the Divinity School Registry and the Baptist House to be eligible. There may be additional requirements and criteria specific to each particular scholarship. Stated cash amounts are based on previous years and may therefore be subject to change. Non-endowed scholarships depend upon annual gifts and may not be available in the current year. **Students may not apply directly for any of the “Baptist House Recommended Scholarships.”** They are awarded and/or must be recommended by the Baptist House scholarship committee. The Baptist House scholarship committee will contact candidates if they are selected for a scholarship that has application requirements.

Endowed Scholarships

Carlyle Marney Scholarship: Awarded to two first year students (\$2,500 each) that exhibit promise of excellence in scholarly ministry and express a commitment to the pastoral and preaching ministry of the church.

Ned Fitzgerald Scholarship: Awarded to two first year women students (\$2,500 each) that exhibit promise of excellence in scholarly ministry and express a commitment to the pastoral and preaching ministry of the church. Preference for students with ties to North Carolina, South Carolina, or Virginia.

George Balentine Scholarship: Awarded to two middler or senior students (\$2,500 each) that exhibit promise of excellence in ministry and express a commitment to the pastoral and preaching ministry of the church.

Jimmy and Helen Garland Scholarship: Awarded to two students (\$2,500 each) that exhibit promise of excellence in ministry. Preference for students with ties to Virginia.

Clare and Mary Herndon Scholarship: Awarded to two middler or senior students (\$2,500 each) that exhibit promise of excellence in ministry.

Henry and Helen Turlington Scholarship: Awarded to two students (\$2,500 each) that exhibit promise of excellence in ministry.

John W. Carlton Scholarship: Awarded to two students (\$2,500 each) that exhibit promise of excellence in ministry.

Non- Endowed Scholarships

James O. Duncan Scholarship: Named for the Baptist minister and editor of the *Capitol Baptist*. It was established to provide support (full tuition and fees per year renewable on conditions) for a Baptist student who is attending a leading theological schools to develop their full potential in leadership skills, innovation, and creativity. The scholarship does not require pursuit of any particular career or ministry path. The Baptist House scholarship committee recommends candidates, but an independent foundation committee makes the selection of a recipient.

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Leadership Scholarship: Awarded to five students (\$4000 each). Recipients do not have to be a member of a CBF participating church but must embrace the vision and principles of the CBF. Other criteria include: past academic performance, financial need, attendance at CBF general assembly and retreat in June, and a life-style congruent to full-time Christian ministry. Students must apply in April-May. Forms are available in the Baptist House office. For additional information see the CBF website (<http://www.cbfonline.org/classroom/scholarships.cfm>).

J. Lake Williams Scholarship: Awarded to one middler or senior students (\$2,500) that exhibits promise of excellence in ministry and express a commitment to ministry in the church.

North Carolina CBF Scholarship: Awarded to middler or senior students (\$2500 each). Recipients do not have to be a member of a CBF participating church but must embrace the vision and principles of the CBF. Other criteria include: past academic performance, financial need, attendance at North Carolina CBF general assembly in March, and a life-style congruent to full-time Christian ministry. For additional information see the CBF NC website (<http://www.cbfncc.org/>).

North Carolina Women in Ministry Scholarship: Awarded to a middler or senior woman student (\$1000). Criteria include clarity concerning call to ministry, academic excellence, demonstrated leadership ability in ministry, commitment to vocational Christian ministry, expressed support of inclusiveness in ministry and in all dimensions of life, commitment to Baptist principles, desire to serve in a Baptist context.

Addie Davis Award for Excellence in Preaching Awarded to a middler or senior woman student (\$1000) who exhibits promise for excellence in the preaching ministry. Criteria include preparing for vocational ministry, full time student, has taken at least one preaching course, GPA of 2.75 or higher, Baptist. Candidates are recommended by the Baptist House scholarship committee by mid February.

Addie Davis Award for Outstanding Leadership in Pastoral Ministry: Awarded to a middler or senior woman student (\$1000) who exhibits promise for excellence in the pastoral ministry. Criteria include preparing for vocational ministry, full time student, has taken at least one pastoral ministry course, GPA of 2.75 or higher, Baptist. Candidates are recommended by the Baptist House scholarship committee by mid February.

Baptist State Convention of North Carolina: The BSCNC awards financial aid (\$500 per semester) to any student that meets the following qualifications: membership for one year in a church that contributes to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina (with headquarters in Cary, NC), endorsement from that church with their blessings to study and prepare for ministry,

enrollment as a full-time student in the MDiv, MCM, or MTS programs (ThM and PhD students are not eligible). Applications will be placed in student boxes every September and February. They must be completed by the student and returned to the Baptist House Office.

Baptist House Scholarship Funds: Awarded to middler or senior students (\$1000 each) when funds are available in the Baptist House budget. Criteria for selection include past academic performance, financial need, and participation in Baptist House activities.

Student Initiated Scholarship Applications

Below is a description of various sources of financial aid that are student initiated and consequently do not require recommendation from the Baptist House of Studies scholarship committee. **Students are encouraged to apply directly for these funds** with the awarding source.

American Baptist Financial Aid for Students: The American Baptist Churches USA offers various scholarship opportunities for ABC theological students. For more information go to the website (<http://www.nationalministries.org/financial-aid/>)

Florida CBF Scholarship: Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of Florida has scholarship money available to theological students who meet the following criteria: participating members of the Florida CBF, financial need, letter of request to the Florida CBF Education Ministry. Deadline March 31. For more information and to download an application form go to the website (<http://www.floridacbf.org/fl>). Click on Scholarships.

South Carolina CBF Scholarship: Awarded to theological students from South Carolina enrolled in one of the CBF partner schools (Duke Divinity School is a CBF partner school.) Students must apply. For more information and to download an application form go to the website (<http://www.cbfofsc.org/scholarships.htm>).

Tennessee CBF Scholarship: The Tennessee Cooperative Baptist Fellowship will award at \$1,000 scholarship to a divinity school student for the 2003 academic year. See information on website for how to apply (<http://www.tncbf.org>). Click on Resources then Scholarship.

Virginia Baptist Mission Board Ministerial Scholarship Funds: The Baptist General Association of Virginia offers financial assistance to theological students who meet the following criteria: college graduate, membership in a BGVA affiliated church residency in the state of Virginia at least a year prior to receiving financial aid, and endorsement by a BGVA affiliated church. For more information and to download an application form go to the website (<http://www.vbmb.org/Scholarships/default.htm>).

Mary Louise Old Andrews Trust Scholarship Fund: Available for ministerial students from Virginia. Address: Bank of America/Private Bank/P.O. Box 26688/Richmond, VA 23261-6688.

Albert A. Young Scholarship: Awarded by the scholarship committee of Viewmont Baptist Church for students in preparing for full time Christian service. Address: Scholarship Committee/Viewmont Baptist Church/1246 2nd St. NE/Hickory, NC. Deadline: 15 March.