

**UNDERGRADUATE
RENEWAL
DBU MINISTRY FINANCIAL
ASSISTANT (MFA) SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

Deadlines

October 1, 2021
(Fall 2021 & Spring 2022)

March 1, 2022
(Spring 2022 & Summer 2022)

DBU
DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

MFA SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

- Applicants must have a sense and show evidence of a divine call to a career in vocational or bi-vocational church-related Christian ministry.
- Applicant is not be a member of a Baptist church.
- Applicants must demonstrate a lifestyle of commitment to the principles of the Christian life.
- Application covers financial assistance through the academic year.
- Applicants must participate in the Monday Noon Resource Luncheons during the Fall and Spring Semester.
- Applicants must be working toward an undergraduate degree program and **must either major or minor in a degree from the College of Christian Faith.**
- Applicants must meet federal financial aid requirements.
- Application meets criteria to receive additional DBU Ministry Financial Assistant (MFA) Scholarship Funds.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- STEP ONE:** Ministry Student Scholarship Application

Please complete all blanks with the accurate information (pp 3-4).

- STEP TWO:** Personal Typed Testimony. You must submit an essay (250-word minimum) detailing your personal call to a career in vocational/bi-vocational church-related Christian ministry. Be as specific as possible regarding the details of your call and what type of ministry you feel called to pursue.

- STEP THREE:** Church Endorsement. Your church pastor or official must endorse you as an actively involved member with a divine call to Christian ministry, committing to a career in vocational/bi-vocational church-related Christian ministry (pp 5-6).

- STEP FOUR:** Return your completed application to the **Ministry Guidance Office in Office 209 in the College of Christian Faith on the 2nd floor of the Collins Learning Center or by mail, e-mail, or fax.** You should include your name on every page to ensure all pages make it into the appropriate file.

- STEP FIVE:** Applicants must be either **majoring OR minoring from a degree in the College of Christian Faith.**

Student Name (please print) _____

Student ID: _____

STUDENT INFORMATION

Personal Information

Permanent Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____

DBU E-mail: _____ **required: contact computer lab**

Personal E-mail: _____ **required**

Church Information

Name of Church: _____

Church Address: _____

Pastor/Church Leader: _____

Pastor/Church Leader E-mail: _____

Academic Information

Major: _____

Minor: _____

Academic Year Applying For: _____

Anticipated Graduation: _____

Please return completed forms to the Dallas Baptist University Ministry Guidance Office.

3000 Mountain Creek Pkwy, Dallas TX 75211

Phone: 214.333.5574

E-mail: ministrygrant@dbu.edu

Fax: 214.333.5115

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FOR STUDENT**

STUDENT COVENANT

Dallas Baptist University has committed their cooperative missions funds to providing financial assistance to men and women who are preparing for church-related ministries and,

Whereas Dallas Baptist University has committed to providing theological education that prepares students for vocations in church-related ministries and,

Whereas I have sensed the call of God in my life to prepare for a vocation in a church-related ministry (such as pastor, church staff, missionary, chaplain, etc.);

I hereby enter into a covenant relationship with Dallas Baptist University to honor the sacred trust they have placed in me through their financial support and,

Should I come to a point in my understanding of God's will for my life that I no longer sense a call to a church-related vocation, I will immediately inform university officials and no longer accept this financial assistance provided by Dallas Baptist University.

During the preceding year, I have been an active member of a local church and have been involved with, supportive of and committed to the ministries of this church in the following ways:

Paid leadership responsibilities: _____

Volunteer leadership or service: _____

Other involvement or means of support: _____

Sign the following affirmation, request your pastor (or other church approved leader if student is pastor) to complete pp 5-6, then return the completed forms along with any other materials required by your institution.

I hereby affirm my covenant with the churches, my sense of calling to a church-related vocation and my desire to receive the DBU Ministry Scholarship provided by Dallas Baptist University; and I promise to remain in compliance with the requirements of DBU.

Student's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Statement of Certification:

If the church has not ordained or licensed this student, the following statement must be affirmed by the congregation.

We hereby certify that _____
(student name)

- is an active member of our church,
- has shown evidence of a divine call to church-related vocational/bi-vocational ministry,
- has shown sincere commitment to a career in church-related ministry,
- has demonstrated a Christian life-style, and
- is the kind of person our church would be comfortable recommending as a minister to serve in a church-related vocational/bi-vocational position.

Please check the appropriate section below:

This congregation affirmed this student's involvement in our church as noted on page 4 of the form. This congregational certification has been acted upon by:

Ordination of student on _____.
(date)

Licensing of student on _____.
(date)

Adoption of the statement of certification above by congregation
on _____.
(date)

OR

Adoption of the statement of certification above by:

- Church Committee
- Deacons
- Elders or other governing board
- Council of church staff members
- Other (please describe):

representing the congregation on _____.
(date)

I have talked with this student to discuss (1) the student's sense of call to church-related vocational ministry and (2) ways that the student might be involved in service at our church.

I affirm this student's application for the DBU Ministry Scholarship.

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Student Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Church Leader

Pastor's or Church Leader's Name (Printed): _____

Pastor's E-mail Address: _____

Position at Church: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Church

Name of Church: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Denominational Affiliations

Local Affiliation(s): _____

City, State: _____

State Affiliation(s): _____

National Affiliation(s): _____

Signed: _____

(Pastor or church approved leader if student is pastor)

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