

Mary L. Grummon Memorial Scholarship Application
Springfield First United Methodist Church
2941 S. Koke Mill Road, Springfield, IL 62711
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The purpose of the Mary L. Grummon Memorial Scholarship Fund is to furnish support for those persons entering Christian Service Programs at the junior or senior undergraduate level and for education at the graduate level or above (e.g. doctoral, seminary) in preparation for full-time Christian Service careers.

The funding for this scholarship program is derived from the interest income of the Mary L. Grummon Memorial Investment Fund.

Scholarship Criteria

1. The scholarship will be limited to full-time Christian Service careers. Applicants will be judged by a subcommittee from the Board of Trustees. Up to four students will be chosen.
 - a. The Scholarship Committee can ask the board to award more than four if they feel there are more qualifying applicants.
 - b. *Dollars for Scholars* applicants are required to fulfill all *Grummon Scholarship* criteria.
2. Scholarships will be judged on five equal areas: career, GPA, service, essay, and reference letters. Names will not be attached to applications and essays.
3. Up to four \$1000 scholarships will be available each year.
 - a. Disbursement of scholarships will be made in the spring for fall classes in order to support schools who offer "matching" awards.
 - b. The \$1000 amount should be revisited periodically as education costs rise/or yearly amount available in the fund changes.
4. The scholarship awards will be paid to the educational institutions or United Methodist Higher Education Foundation (UMHEF) for *Dollars for Scholars*; however, at its discretion, the scholarship committee may authorize a scholarship award to be paid directly to the student.
5. This scholarship may be awarded to the same person up to four times.
6. Application to the scholarship fund begins October 1 and ends January 1 each year. Decisions will be made before March 1. Applicants will then be contacted with the results of the committee's scholarship awards. Special situations may be considered outside this timeframe if funds are available. All applicants will be notified of the committee's decision.
7. Certification of enrollment in the school and curriculum must be proven before payment is awarded.

8. College or seminary must be a school accredited by the North Central Association or other such organization. Credit earned at the institution must be transferable.
9. Applicant must maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher in order to reapply. Student will provide proof of completion at the end of the fall semester.
10. Applicant must refund scholarship amount if he/she drops out of school during the term or does not receive a GPA of 2.5 or higher.
11. The scholarship will be available each year as long as there is adequate interest accumulated from the Grummon Scholarship Fund.

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Application materials should be mailed to the address above, attention Bob Dodd, by January 1. Decisions will be made before March 1.

Name:	
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Phone Number:	Email:
Current Institution:	
City:	State:
Major:	GPA (during most recent semester):
Undergraduate Institution (if already studying at the graduate level):	
City:	State:
Degree Received from Undergraduate Institution (if already studying at the graduate level):	
Date Received:	
Springfield First United Methodist Church affiliation (circle one): member active participant	

In addition to the above information, please submit the following:

- An essay about your path to a full-time Christian Service Career. Please include what led up to this point, what you hope to accomplish in the future, and information about your past service to the church or to the community at large. Instead of an essay, previous recipients may submit a video telling about your call to ministry, your plans for the future, etc. Video will become the property of Springfield First and may be shown in a service or published on the church's media platforms. Submit your video (landscape not portrait) to bdodd@springfieldfirst.org
- Two letters of reference from non-family members.
- Official copy of most recent transcript from your current institution.

For questions, please contact Bob Dodd, Executive Director at SFUMC.