



SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Completed application packets must be **postmarked** by **January 24, 2020**
Send to: Tennessee WMU Scholarships P.O. Box 682789, Franklin, TN 37068

Requirements:

- All applicants must be an active member of a participating Southern Baptist church and have Tennessee ties
- All applicants must be full-time students or taking the equivalent of 12 credit hours per semester
- All applicants must submit the latest available **OFFICIAL** transcript with grade scale and name printed on the transcript

References:

All applicants must submit references from the following individuals:

1. Pastor* (reference form provided)
2. Church WMU Director* (reference form provided)
3. School faculty letter of recommendation from a college or seminary faculty member in whose class you have been a student. Recommendation must be from the school you currently attend or most recently attended
4. Letter of recommendation from someone who can comment on your current (past 12 months) missions involvement

* If your church does not have a pastor or WMU director or if the pastor or WMU director is a relative a substitution must be made. **BEFORE** making substitutions contact Vickie Clemons at vclemons@tnbaptist.org or 1.800.558.2090. **Please note unauthorized substitutions will result in an incomplete application.** For all substitutions please indicate reason; i.e. "My father is the pastor;" "We do not have a WMU Director;" etc.

*If you are a current seminary student and attending a church other than your home (Tennessee) church, two (2) of your church references **MUST** be from the church you currently attend while in seminary and one (1) from your home church.

Instructions:

- All applicants must return one (1) unstapled copy of the **complete** application packet to Tennessee WMU
- A complete application packet must include the following:
 - Application Form
 - Financial Information Form
 - Student Essay Questions
 - Required References in Sealed Envelopes
 - Official Transcripts
 - Application Packet Checklist

Essay Questions:

All applicants must submit an essay answering the following questions with their application packet.

- Share your personal testimony. Please include who you were before knowing Christ, when you repented and trusted in Christ, and how your life has changed after knowing Christ.
- What are you currently learning from God's Word?
- Describe, in detail, the most recent time you shared the gospel. Please include scripture references used.
- Describe your current (within the past year) missions and ministry involvement. List dates and types of involvement (volunteer, leadership role, mission trips, local church ministry, etc.).
- Describe how your current involvement in missions education organizations (such as GA's, Acteens, or Women on Mission), missions or other ministries has strengthened your walk with Christ.
- Describe your career goals. Are you committed to pursuing a ministry or missions career? If so, what type: International, North American, professional WMU, etc.

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Tennessee WMU Scholarships are funded through the Golden Offering for Tennessee Missions and earnings received from various endowments.



TENNESSEE WMU SCHOLARSHIP PACKET CHECKLIST SEMINARY APPLICATION

1. All applicants must return one (1) unstapled copy of the **COMPLETE** application packet.
2. Complete application packets must be postmarked by **January 24, 2020**.
3. **Incomplete and/or late application packets will NOT be considered.**

Please use this checklist to confirm all items are included in your packet before mailing.

Check off each item, sign below and include completed checklist with application packet.

____ Student Application Form

____ Student Essay Questions

____ Financial Information Form

____ Most Recent Official Transcript

Please note if school will be forwarding official transcript or any other issues regarding transcripts.

____ Pastor Reference Form

____ WMU Director Form

____ School Faculty Reference Letter

____ Reference letter speaking to your current mission involvement

Student Signature

Date



SEMINARY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

- Type or print in black ink.
- Complete application packet must be postmarked by **January 24, 2020**.

Have you ever been awarded a Tennessee WMU Scholarship? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, which year(s)? _____

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Male ___ Female ___

Address: _____
Street or P.O. Box City State Zip

Phone: (_____) _____ Social Security Number: _____

Email address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Phone: (_____) _____

Address: _____
Street or P.O. Box City State Zip

II. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

High School:

Name	Location	Date of Graduation	GPA
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High school honors, leadership positions, offices held _____

College:

Name	Location	Date of Graduation	GPA
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College honors, leadership positions, offices held, etc. _____

Seminary: _____

Address	City	State	Zip	Date of Graduation (projected)	GPA
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What are your academic and career goals? _____

III. RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND/ MISSIONS EXPERIENCE

Are you an active member of a Southern Baptist Church? Yes _____ No _____

Church: _____
Name City

Church Association Name: _____

List current missions or other church activities you are involved in: _____

List the number of years you have been involved in any of the following organizations:

Women on Mission _____ Baptist Collegiate Ministry _____ Youth on Mission _____

Adults on Mission _____ Acteens/Challengers _____ Men's Ministry _____

Other (list) _____

IV. TENNESSEE BAPTIST TIES

Are you a Tennessee native? _____
City

How long have/did you live in Tennessee? _____

How long were you a member of a Tennessee Baptist church? _____
Church name

List church activities you were involved in while serving as a member of a Tennessee Baptist church.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please indicate all financial sources you are expecting to receive this year to help meet anticipated school expenses. The table below is for **ANNUAL** expenses and credits. Please indicate total, annual amounts in the table and try to account for all anticipated expenses.

Anticipated TOTAL, annual school expenses (tuition, books, housing, meals, supplies)	\$
Workshop; please describe:	
Your annual income:	
Loan(s) What type?	
Parental Support (includes grandparents, child support, etc.):	
Savings (Total amount \$ _____) Indicate amount anticipated for this year:	
Other Scholarships (academic, sports, corporate/business, church):	
Other? Please describe:	

1. Currently employed? _____ Full or part time? _____ During the school year or summer? _____

2. Occupation and Employer _____

3. Are you dependent on you parents? Yes _____ No _____ **If no, continue to question 8.**

4. Father's occupation and employer: _____

Approximate annual income: \$ _____

5. Mother's occupation and employer: _____

Approximate annual income: \$ _____

6. List all children and ages who are dependent on your parents (excluding yourself):

7. Is anyone else in your family currently attending college? Yes _____ No _____

If so, who? _____

8. If married, complete the following:

Spouse's name: _____

Spouse's occupation and employer: _____

Spouse's approximate annual income: \$ _____

Dependent children names and ages: _____



TENNESSEE WMU SCHOLARSHIP CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE FORM PASTOR *

_____ has applied for a Tennessee WMU Scholarship. Please rate the student in the following areas, place reference form in a sealed envelope, and **RETURN TO APPLICANT**.

Rate on a scale of 1 – 5 with 1 being lowest and 5 being the highest score. Comment in the space provided. Please use an additional sheet if necessary. **Both ratings and comments are required.** If there is anything else about this student that will help the committee make a fair evaluation of their worthiness to receive a scholarship from Tennessee WMU, please write on back or include a separate sheet.

Leadership Rate _____	Comments:
Mission Involvement Rate _____	Comments:
Church Involvement Rate _____	Comments:
Christian Witness/Example Rate _____	Comments:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Title or position: _____ Church Name: _____

PLACE IN A SEALED ENVELOPE AND RETURN TO APPLICANT

*If your church is without a pastor or your relative is the pastor, another church leader must serve as a substitute reference. **All substitutions must be pre-approved by Tennessee WMU.** Please contact Vickie Clemons at vclemons@tbaptist.org or 1.800.558.2090, Ext. 7923.



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WMU DIRECTOR ***

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