

Fort Garry
Evangelical
Mennonite
Church

Scholarship
Program



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Purpose:

The Scholarship Program exists to:

- a. encourage students to pursue a Christian, post-secondary, educational, or formational experience. Preference will be given to evangelical, Anabaptist institutions, organizations or mission agencies.
- b. provide personal and financial support for students enrolled with such institutions or organizations.

Guidelines for Eligibility:

Students applying for scholarships must:

- a. be attached to Fort Garry EMC as an active member or regular adherent for 1 year (prior to the commencement of qualifying studies).
- b. be accepted in a Christian program administered by a recognized college, university, seminary, institution, organization or missions agency.
- c. submit a completed application before August 26th (for a September start date), before December 1st (for a January start date).

Expectations:

Successful applicants will be expected to:

1. Submit a list of goals that will be pursued during the course of study (1 page). This list must be submitted together with the completed application form. The goals should reflect:
 - a. the pursuit of maturity as exemplified by Jesus who “grew in wisdom (intellectually/academically) and stature (physically), and in favour with God (spiritually) and men (socially).” (Luke 2:52)
 - I will pursue intellectual/academic health and growth by....
 - I will pursue physical health and growth by...
 - I will pursue spiritual health and growth by...
 - I will pursue social health and growth by...
 - b. the development of spiritual gifts through an area of ministry as exemplified by Jesus who “did not come to be served, but to serve.” (Mark 10:45)
 - I will serve the Lord with my gifts and abilities by...
2. Submit a brief report (1 page) evaluating the degree to which the goals were reached. (due one week after the course of study is completed)
3. Be agreeable to having a Ministerial representative make contact in order to provide support, encouragement and accountability throughout the course of study.
4. It is understood that situations arise in which students receive scholarships but do not fulfill the expectations due to illness, tragedy, personal choices, neglect or withdrawal from classes. The committee will assess each situation and make appropriate recommendations with regard to the scholarships that were received.

Administration:

The Scholarship Program is administered by the Ministerial of Fort Garry EMC. This group of people is responsible for all decisions related to the awarding of scholarships. With regard to situations and issues that are not clearly addressed in this policy, the Ministerial will use discretion in processing applications and making appropriate decisions. The Ministerial will propose policy clarifications and revisions as required.

Funds will be paid directly to the student with the expectation that the money will be used for the educational purposes outlined in the student's application. For tax purposes, students are required to report these funds as income. The church will issue the appropriate tax documents.

Scholarship Value:

Scholarship values will be determined on the basis of:

- a. the guidelines for eligibility (above)
- b. the nature of the education and the institution, organization or agency under consideration.
- c. the amount of funds available
- d. the number of students applying
- e. the unique circumstances of each student
- f. the maximum of \$1500 per academic year

Funding:

The Scholarship Program will be funded by:

- a. \$2000 per year included in the FG EMC budget (to be reviewed annually)
- b. donations from people designating funds to the Scholarship Program
- c. fund raising events organized if special needs arise

Guidelines for Donations:

Donors can designate funds to the FG EMC Scholarship Program.

Tax-deductible receipts will be issued for all donations.

Donor designations to specific students can not be accepted.

NOTE: Students are encouraged to apply each year during their educational pursuit.

NOTE: The church has additional funds available for students who spend part of their summer working in a Christian ministry. Students should request an application from the Missions & Social Concerns Committee and submit it by June 26th.

NOTE: This policy is to be reviewed and revised as necessary, and thorough revisions should occur every three years (2019, 2022, 2025...).

**Fort Garry Evangelical Mennonite Church
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Application Form**

PART I Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Birthdate: _____

Social Insurance Number: _____

(for income tax purposes)

PART II Eligibility Information

How long have you been connected with Fort Garry EMC? _____

In what ways have you been involved with life at FGEMC? (attendance, baptism, membership, serving, teaching, etc.) _____

PART III Education Information

With which educational institution or organization are you connected? _____

With which program or degree are you connected? _____

Will your involvement be part time or full time?

What percentage of involvement do you anticipate in the year? ___% ___ credit hours

For what type of vocation do you intend to prepare (if known)? _____

Additional Comments: _____

PART IV Financial Information

Provide an estimate of the cost of tuition and books for the upcoming year. _____

PART V Personal Goals

Please attach a list of goals (1 page) that will be pursued during the course of study. These goals should reflect:

a. the pursuit of holistic health and growth as exemplified by Jesus who “grew in wisdom (intellectually/academically) and stature (physically), and in favour with God (spiritually) and men (socially).” (Luke 2:52)

I will pursue intellectual/academic health and growth by....

I will pursue physical health and growth by...

I will pursue spiritual health and growth by...

I will pursue social health and growth by...

b. the development of spiritual gifts through an area of ministry as exemplified by Jesus who “did not come to be served, but to serve.” (Mark 10:45)

During the academic year, I will serve the Lord with my gifts and abilities by...

PART VI Accountability

I am agreeable to having a Ministerial representative make contact in order to provide support and encouragement throughout the course of study. YES NO

My course of study concludes on (date) _____. Within one week after the date shown, I will submit a 1 page report to the Ministerial, evaluating the degree to which my goals were reached. YES NO

Additional Comments: _____

Signature of Applicant

Date