

G.T. Williams Fund

Gwilym T. Williams (GTW) Scholarship Fund

Explanation of Application Process

Administered by the Keystone Conference of the United Church of Christ

PO Box 6625, Harrisburg, PA 17112; 717-652-1560

How It Works...

- It is a reimbursement grant program
- Financial assistance is awarded to help pay the institution-stipulated costs of tuition and housing
- Financial assistance is for one semester period and is typically between \$500 and \$1000
- Candidates are eligible to receive two grants per calendar year for up to five years of an undergraduate degree plus up to another five years of a postgraduate program.

Who Can Apply...

- Post-secondary students who are currently enrolled in accredited institutions of higher learning
- Students who hold current membership in a congregation that belongs to the Mountain Valley Association of the Keystone Conference of the United Church of Christ
- Students who are preparing to embark on a career either as an ordained minister, a certified teacher or educator, a doctor of medicine (MD, DO, DMD or DDS), an occupational therapist, a physical therapist, or a nurse (B.S. degree), or a speech therapist, and other clinical degrees (such as a Masters in Clinical Counseling).

How to Apply...

- Candidates are required to submit to the Keystone Conference Office all the required application materials by the deadline before his/her request will be considered

What Are the Deadlines...

- October 1 for consideration for a grant for the summer and/or fall terms
- March 1 for consideration for a grant for the winter and/or spring terms

What Materials Need to be Sent to Keystone Conference...

- A completed application form with all required signatures including personal contact address and telephone number
- A signed statement from an appropriate professor or school administrator on school letterhead indicating that you are enrolled in a program of study which is appropriate for one planning to become an ordained minister, a certified teacher or educator, a doctor of medicine (MD, DO, DMD or DDS), occupational therapist, physical therapist, nurse (B.S.); and, provide the total hours required for the degree and the total hours completed at the end of the current term
- An itemized bill from your school for the current term (the only one for which a grant can be offered), which includes the cost of tuition for credit courses only and housing (but not food charges), a confirmation that the current term's bill has been paid, and specifies any and all grants that have been awarded to you for this term

Living Off Campus? If you wish for the Allocations Team to consider housing costs in determining the size of your grant, provide an official statement from your educational institution about the average cost of housing on campus

Do Not Include: Fees such as computer/technology fees, infirmary/medical service fees, or activity fees and do not include any loans which are due upon graduation and work stud

Make Sure to...

- Sign and date the application (this is mandatory)
- Submit all required materials to the Keystone Conference Office (PO Box 6625, Harrisburg, PA 17112) or via email to Sue Creswell by the submission deadline date (either March 1 or October 1)
- Reapply! – Students must reapply each semester for a new scholarship; grants are for one semester (winter/spring; summer/fall) only.

When Will I Be Notified...

- Within eight weeks of the submission deadline as to whether or not you have been awarded a Gwilym T. Williams Scholarship grant

Questions?

- Contact the Keystone Conference Office at 717- 652-1560 or sue@keystoneucc.org

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GWILYM T. WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE

Please Check One

- #1: I have never received a G.T. Williams grant
 #2: I am a former G.T. Williams grant recipient submitting a request for a new grant

Personal Information

Your full name _____

Your home address _____

Cell Phone No. _____

Your contact address at school _____

Your contact phone No. at school _____

Your e-mail address _____

Current Local Church Membership

Full name of congregation _____ Phone No. _____

Address _____

Date received into membership _____

Signature of pastor (necessary for category #1 applicants only) _____

School Enrollment

Full name of school you are (or will be) attending _____

- Full time Undergraduate
 Part time Post-graduate

Degree you are working towards _____

By seeking an undergraduate/graduate degree at this institution of higher learning it is my intent to become a:

I am requesting a grant for the _____ term, which runs from _____ to _____

Total hours required for this degree _____ Hours completed by the end of the current term _____

APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A SIGNED STATEMENT FROM A PROFESSOR OR ADMINISTRATOR ON SCHOOL LETTERHEAD INDICATING THAT YOU ARE ENROLLED IN A PROGRAM OF STUDY LISTED IN THE APPLICATION GUIDELINES FOUND ON THE PNEC WEBSITE.

School Financial Information

(A) Tuition (only) charges¹ for term: \$ _____ + Housing (only) charges² for term: \$ _____ = \$ _____

(B) Total grants & scholarships for term (excluding work-study programs): _____ = \$ _____

(C) SUBTRACT FINANCIAL SUPPORT (B) FROM TUITION/HOUSING EXPENSES (A) FOR APPLICATION TERM ONLY → \$ _____

¹ Please submit a copy of your original tuition/housing/grant assistance for this term (which is the only term for which you can request a scholarship at this time). Grant assistance is calculated on the basis of this figure.

² If you are living off-campus, please submit a statement from the financial office indicating what your room (*not food*) rent would be if you lived on campus. Grant assistance is also calculated partly on the basis of this figure.

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT THE INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION IS ACCURATE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL FORFEIT MY RIGHT TO A SCHOLARSHIP GRANT IF THE SCHOLARSHIP TEAM OF THE KEYSTONE CONFERENCE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST DEEMS THE INFORMATION TO BE INACCURATE OR INCOMPLETE.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Please Send All Application Materials to:
Gwilym T. Williams Scholarship Fund Allocations Team
Keystone Conference United Church of Christ
P. O. Box 6625
Harrisburg, PA 17112

or Email to: sue@keystoneucc.org

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Application received _____ (date)

Verification of major/vocation received _____ (date)

Itemized bill/statement received _____ (date)
(tuition/housing/grants/work-study)

Application accepted on _____ (date)

and
Amount awarded by GTW Team \$ _____

with
Check sent on _____ (date)

Application rejected on _____ (date)

for the
Following reason(s):

Document approved by Team Member _____ (signature)