CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

ACADEMIC AND VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Central Christian Church of Austin (CCC) provides academic and vocational scholarships to deserving students, thanks to the generosity of our members and other generous donors. Our scholarship fund has continued to increase over the years through additional gifts which are always warmly welcomed and gratefully accepted. Our scholarship program is administered by the Trustees of CCC.

Scholarships are available courtesy of the:

* + C. M. and Arline Rogers Fund
	+ Norma Waldrep Naumann Fund
	+ CWF & Luther and Marjorie Bailey Fund

ELIGIBILTY REQUIREMENTS

Eligible students are individuals of Christian faith who:

* Live in Travis County or contiguous counties, and are:
* an actively participating member of a church for a minimum of 12 months prior to the date of application. “Active” is defined as regular worship attendance and ongoing participation in church and youth group activities in the home church, or a local church while enrolled in a school/college away from local church; and
* a high school graduate or near completion, or
* enrolled college/trade school student

Present college undergraduate or graduate students are eligible to apply. Undergraduate applicants must successfully complete a minimum of 12 semester hours/units per semester, or the equivalent within a 12-month period, before they may be considered for an additional scholarship. Graduate student course loads will be evaluated on an individual case-by-case basis.

Scholarships are granted using the following criteria.

* Church and Community participation
* Financial Need
* Academic Progress
* Statement of Faith

It is our sincere hope that those who benefit from this scholarship program may someday make contributions to the program. In this way, the Lord will be glorified, and a good work continued.

Application packets are available on the CCC website or by email on April 1 from the business office of CCC at 1110 Guadalupe Street, Austin, Texas 78701. Request an Application Packet via email at Staff@cccaustin.org. The application period extends from April 1 to June 1 annually. A new application is required each calendar year. We prefer that the application be completed by editing the emailed Microsoft Word document and returning it by email. Alternatively, the application can be printed and completed by hand, with additional pages attached as needed. The mailing address for completed applications is: Central Christian Church 1110 Guadalupe Street, Austin, Texas 78701

**All information provided to the CCC Scholarship Committee by applicants is confidential and will ONLY be shared to evaluate award eligibility**.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. A complete application includes:
	1. this application form
	2. a current transcript (Photocopy is acceptable)
	3. two letters of recommendation, one from your church pastor and one from a current teacher if still in school or an employer if not
	4. a statement of faith essay
	5. Zoom or telephone interview

The complete application is due in the CCC office not later than June 1. Applications received after June 1 will not be considered. A short extension may be considered if the applicant notifies the church of extenuating circumstances prior to the deadline. The CCC Scholarship Committee will send acknowledgment of receipt of application or extension. If you have not received confirmation, please contact the CCC office.

It is most important that responses be detailed and complete to help the Scholarship Committee better know you. Any questions should be directed to the Scholarship Committee through the church office.

An interview, most likely via Zoom or telephone, is an important part of the application process. It gives us an opportunity to personalize the process, to get to know the applicant, and to clarify or expand on information in the written application. CCC will contact applicants after June 1 to schedule the interview. Applicants who fail to schedule an interview or who fail to appear for their appointment may not be contacted and their applications will be considered incomplete.

We expect to complete the application review process by July 1 and applicants will be notified soon thereafter. After reviewing all applications, the Scholarship Committee will contact all applicants by mail. Scholarship recipients will be invited to the presentation of awards during a worship service in July or August and are encouraged to attend and be acknowledged by the congregation.

Central Christian Church

Academic and Vocational Scholarship Application Form

1110 Guadalupe Street, Austin, Texas 78701

512-476-6941

**Check one of the following.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate College Student (Entering or enrolled in college)

\_\_\_\_\_ Graduate Student

\_\_\_\_\_ Technical/Trade School Student

**Personal/Contact Information**

Full Name:

Permanent Home Address:

Mailing Address (if different):

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Names and address (Indicate N/A if you do not live with parents or guardian and are not considered a dependent)

Home Church (name/city):

Pastor:

Home Church Phone Number:

**Academic/Community Information**

Name of High School:

High School Location (city/state)

Date of Graduation (month/year):

Describe group or individual school activities in which you were an active member and identify leadership roles or responsibilities.

Describe any achievements/awards. Include participation in sports, drama, etc if not identified above. Provide approximate inclusive dates.

List any achievements/awards/participation for community events or activities outside of church or the school system. This is a catch-all category for anything you would like to call to our attention not listed above, such as hobbies, special interests, etc

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Is this the first time you applied for a scholarship from CCC? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

If no, tell us when? Date(s)

Were you awarded a scholarship from CCC? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ Date received \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of school you will attend:

Location (City and State):

Do you have an acceptance letter? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

College Classification for upcoming year:

Freshman: Sophomore: Junior: Senior:

What is your planned Major/Minor or Certificate Program:

Do you plan to attend as a full-time student for the full school year?

How many hours will you take?

Expected graduation date or completion of program:

**Employment/Financial Responsibility**

Household annual income:

Approximate anticipated annual education cost (tuition, fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for attendance) $

% of above amount contributed by applicant: %

 % from loans: %

 % from scholarships/grants: %

% other (family/church/employer, veteran’s benefits): %

St**atement of Faith**

Please respond thoughtfully and specifically to each prompt or question, developing and expressing your ideas completely.

1. Give a summary of your educational/college and career goals. Explain why you chose this major/field of study.
2. In what ways has your faith and church impacted your life? Give specific examples of your personal religious beliefs and attitudes, and how they guide you in your daily life.
3. Explain why this scholarship is important to you.

**References/Letter of Recommendation**

Please give the name, address, and phone number of two-character references who can attest to your character, personal and educational goals. One should be your pastor, and the other may be a teacher or employer. Letters of recommendations should be mailed directly to CCC’s mailing address on your behalf to the Scholarship Committee before the deadline date of June 1st:

**STUDENT SIGNATURE**

I authorize the CCC Scholarship Committee to verify this information with any source. I certify that all information provided in this application is true and complete. (A typed signature is acceptable for on-line submissions)

Student Signature:

Date: