



ADMISSIONS

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Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary serves the church as a learning community with an Anabaptist vision, educating followers of Jesus Christ to be leaders for God's reconciling mission in the world.

Merit-based scholarships

*Students who receive merit-based scholarships of more than 50 percent off of tuition are not eligible to receive need-based financial aid from AMBS. They may still complete a Church Partnership Form to receive contributions from congregations, but the contributions will not be matched by AMBS. Application deadline: **March 1**.*

Werner K. Fransen Next Generation Scholarship

Mary Irene Liechty Smucker Next Generation Scholarship

The Next Generation Scholarship is intended to encourage and support outstanding Mennonite students with gifts in church leadership. **Each year, this scholarship provides a full-tuition grant and \$4,000 for living expenses to a student beginning the Master of Divinity Campus program.** The recipient may receive this scholarship for three years by meeting certain conditions. Recipients must live in campus housing to receive the \$4,000 stipend. Applicants must be from the U.S. or Canada and be a member in good standing of a congregation that is affiliated with Mennonite World Conference; preference is given to members of Mennonite Church USA or Mennonite Church Canada.

Church Leadership Award

The Church Leadership Award is a scholarship program intended to encourage and support outstanding Mennonite students with gifts for ministry as they prepare to serve the church. **Each year, this award provides a full-tuition grant to a student beginning a master's program on campus.** The recipient may receive this grant for two or three years by meeting certain conditions. Applicants must be from the U.S. or Canada and be a member in good standing of a congregation that is affiliated with Mennonite World Conference or a related Anabaptist group.

Partial-tuition scholarships

Partial-tuition scholarships may be awarded each year to students who applied to receive either a Next Generation Scholarship or a Church Leadership Award and met eligibility requirements but were not selected to receive either scholarship. **This award provides tuition grants of varying amounts to students who are beginning a master's program.** The recipient may receive this grant for two or three years by meeting certain conditions.

MDiv Connect Student Scholarship

The MDiv Connect Student Scholarship provides **a limited number of 75-percent tuition grants to students beginning the Master of Divinity Connect program** (at a distance). Recipients may receive this grant for the stated length of the MDiv Connect program by meeting certain conditions. Applicants must be from the U.S. or Canada and be a member in good standing of a congregation that is affiliated with Mennonite World Conference or a related Anabaptist group.

Multicultural Church Scholarship

The Multicultural Church Scholarship is for students who are currently serving in or preparing for ministry assignments in a multicultural context and/or who belong to historically underrepresented racial or ethnic groups within the Mennonite Church. This scholarship is for students who are studying either on campus or at a distance. Each year, this award provides **a limited number of 100-percent tuition grants to full-time students beginning a master's program, or a limited number of 75-percent tuition grants to part-time students beginning a master's program.** Recipients may receive this grant for the stated length of their academic program by meeting certain conditions. Applicants must be from the U.S. or Canada and be a member in good standing of a congregation that is affiliated with Mennonite World Conference or a related Anabaptist group.

Anabaptist Scholarship

The Anabaptist Scholarship provides a **100-percent tuition grant to a full-time student who is beginning a master's program on campus and who identifies with the Anabaptist tradition** but who is *not* a member of a congregation affiliated with Mennonite World Conference or a related Anabaptist group.

Ecumenical Student Scholarship

The Ecumenical Student Scholarship is for students who belong to other-than-Anabaptist Christian traditions and want to study at AMBS (either on campus or at a distance) — to enter into dialogue with and engage with others from the Anabaptist tradition while sharing the theological perspectives of and growing in their own tradition. Each year, this award provides **a limited number of 100-percent tuition grants to full-time students beginning a master's program, or a limited number of 75-percent tuition grants to part-time students beginning a master's program.** Recipients may receive this grant for the stated length of their academic program by meeting certain conditions. Applicants must be from the U.S. or Canada and be a member in good standing of a congregation that is *not* affiliated with Mennonite World Conference or a related Anabaptist group.

Designated scholarship

Students can receive this scholarship in addition to any need-based financial aid for which they are eligible.
Application deadline: **April 1.**

Mennonite Church Eastern Canada (MCEC) Scholarship

The MCEC Scholarship is available for Canadian students who currently serve, or have a desire to serve, Mennonite Church Canada. Students from MCEC congregations are given preference. **Each year, AMBS will select up to two award recipients who will each receive a scholarship of \$2,500 per academic year.**

See also "Regional Church aid for Canadians": ambs.edu/admissions/regional-church-student-aid

Ministry scholarships

For the following scholarships, scholarships of varying amounts are given in addition to need-based AMBS financial aid each year. Full- or part-time students are eligible to apply. These scholarships can be renewed annually; past recipients will need to submit an updated essay for each scholarship each time they reapply. Application deadline: **April 1.**

Lederach Preaching Scholarship

The Lederach Preaching Scholarship is available annually for a student who is part of a congregation affiliated with Mennonite World Conference; senses a call to pastoral leadership; and shows promise in preaching.

Steiner Bivocational Scholarship

The Steiner Bivocational Scholarship assists people who are training for bivocational ministry or pastors who are combining congregational ministry with other employment.

Program scholarships

Students can receive these scholarships in addition to any need-based financial aid for which they are eligible. There is no application deadline for program scholarships.

!Explore Scholarship

Former participants in **!Explore: A theological program for high school youth** are eligible for the !Explore Scholarship. The amount of the scholarship varies, depending on the year the student participated in the program, and is **typically between \$1,000 and \$2,000 per academic year**. The funds can only be applied toward graduate-level tuition; they are available up to 15 years after the student's participation in the program. The full amount must be used within one academic year.

Voluntary Service scholarships

To affirm people's decision to participate in a voluntary service program and to make theological education accessible for more leaders and emerging leaders in the church, AMBS is partnering with selected Christian Voluntary Service programs to offer scholarships to former VSers and a tuition discount to current VSers. Former VS participants in an approved VS program who completed the program in good standing are eligible to apply. The **scholarship of \$1,500** can only be applied toward graduate-level tuition; enrollment must occur within five years of the completion of the student's VS assignment. The funds can only be disbursed during one academic year. However, if a former VSer is enrolled in an academic program of study, the scholarship is renewable if he or she maintains full-time student status.

Other links

Admissions Application: ambs.edu/admissions/apply

Financial Aid Application: ambs.edu/admissions/apply-financial-aid

Church matching grants (Church Partnership Form): ambs.edu/admissions/matching-grants

Scholarship Application and requirements: ambs.edu/scholarships

External scholarships: ambs.edu/admissions/external-scholarships

Tips for applying for scholarships: ambs.edu/admissions/tips-for-scholarship-applications

Questions?

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