

# scholarships fact sheet

#### **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 scholarships of more than 50 percent off of tuition are not eligible to received need-based financial aid or church matching grants from AMBS. They may still receive contributions from congregations, but they will not be matched by AMBS.

### 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 new student beginning a master's program**. 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. 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 new student beginning the Master of Divinity 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. Application deadline: **March 1**.

### International Student Scholarship

The International Student Scholarship is intended to encourage and support outstanding international students with gifts for ministry as they prepare to serve the global church. The scholarship, which can be up to full tuition, is awarded on an annual basis to an international student (non-U.S. or non-Canadian) who is a member of a Mennonite World Conference congregation or a related Anabaptist group. Application deadline: **March 1**.

#### **Anabaptist Scholarship**

The Anabaptist Scholarship provides a grant of **50 percent of tuition to selected students who identify with the Anabaptist tradition** but who are not members of a congregation affiliated with Mennonite World Conference. Application deadline: **March 1**.

#### Partial-tuition scholarships

Partial-tuition scholarships may be awarded each year to students who applied to receive either a Church Leadership Award or a Next Generation Scholarship 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.

# designated scholarships

### 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.** Application deadline: **April 1**.

### **United Methodist Student Scholarship**

As an approved seminary of the United Methodist Church (UMC), AMBS educates UMC students to serve the church. In order to lower financial barriers, the United Methodist Student Scholarship program has been established specifically for UMC students. **Each year, AMBS will select up to two award recipients who will each receive a scholarship of \$3,000 per academic year.** Preference will be granted to students advanced by UMC leadership. Application deadline: **April 1**.

# ministry scholarships

For the following scholarships, scholarships of varying amounts are given in addition to need-based AMBS financial aid each year.

### 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. Full- or parttime students are eligible to apply. Application deadline: **April 1**.

### Multicultural scholarships

Multicultural scholarships are available annually for students (of any racial/ethnic background) who are preparing to minister in a racial/ethnic context and who will contribute to the multicultural ethos of the church. Full- or part-time students are eligible to apply. Application deadline: **April 1**.

#### 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. Full- or part-time students are eligible to apply. Application deadline: **April 1**.

# program scholarships

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 are available up to 15 years after the student's participation in the program.

#### **Voluntary Service scholarships**

In order to make theological education accessible for more leaders and emerging leaders in Mennonite, Anabaptist and other Christian traditions, AMBS is partnering with Christian Voluntary Service programs to offer Voluntary Service scholarships to former VSers and a tuition discount to current VSers.

# • questions?

Learn more about scholarship requirements and the application process: www.ambs.edu/admissions/scholarships See also "Tips for applying for scholarships": www.ambs.edu/admissions/tips-for-scholarship-applications Contact AMBS Financial Aid with questions: 800.964.2627 ext. 266, 574.296.6266 or financialaid@ambs.edu