

**MASTER OF DIVINITY/MASTER OF ARTS
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**



PLEASE DETACH THIS PAGE BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION AND RETAIN IT FOR YOUR RECORDS

Read all of the information on this page before completing this application. Unless otherwise stated, all fields are required. Incomplete, unreadable, late or altered applications will be denied with no opportunity to appeal.

I submitted my scholarship application on _____
The Financial Aid Office confirmed receipt of my application on _____

Continuing MDIV/MA student deadline: **June 5, 2015**
New Fall 2015 MDIV/MA student deadline: **August 14, 2015**
New Spring 2016 MDIV/MA student deadline: **December 29, 2015**

The New York Theological Seminary Scholarship is open to all Master level students regardless of race, sex, religion, national origin, disability, age or citizenship status. Scholarship awards are offered once an academic year and are based primarily on demonstrated financial need.

To be eligible for the NYTS Scholarship you MUST:

- Be admitted and enrolled as a MDIV or MA student (Certificate Program and Doctor of Ministry students are NOT eligible).
- Complete at least 16 credits for the academic year (July 1 – June 30).
- Earn and maintain a **3.00** semester grade point average and cumulative grade point average (students who drop below the stated GPA forfeit any remaining scholarship aid).
- Report all anticipated or received external aid to the Financial Aid Office. This includes church/denominational scholarships, tuition reimbursement, private loans, or private scholarships.
- Complete a 2015-2016 FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov **before** submitting a scholarship application OR submit original proof of income with your application if you are an international student.

Scholarship decisions will be delivered electronically to the e-mail address you list on this application. Please add TWhite@nyts.edu to your email address book and pay close attention to all correspondence sent from the Financial Aid Office. There will be time-sensitive, mandatory acceptance certification if you are selected to receive a scholarship. Awards will be reallocated to other eligible applicants if you do not certify your scholarship acceptance within the allotted period. Once an award approval is sent to you, the Financial Aid Office assumes no responsibility for undelivered or mishandled correspondence.

You may return your completed scholarship application via the following methods. Please select an option and submit your application only once.

REGULAR MAIL: New York Theological Seminary
Financial Aid Office
475 Riverside Drive, Suite 500
New York, New York 10115

FAX: Attn: Tamisia White (212) 870-1236

E-MAIL AS A

PDF DOCUMENT: Attn: Tamisia White at twhite@nyts.edu

THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THESE REQUIREMENTS

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Today's Date: _____

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. I would like to receive Federal Direct Loans (Visit www.direct.ed.gov for more info). Select one: **Yes** **No**

2. In the 2015 – 2016 academic year, I will be a (select one): **first year** **second year** **third year**
fourth year student.

3. I am a (select one): **Master of Divinity** **Master of Arts** student.

4. I am a (select one): **U.S. Citizen** **Permanent Resident - A#** _____ **International Student**

5. Social Security Number _____ 6. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

8. Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial _____

9. Mailing Address _____

10. City, State, Zip Code _____

11. Home Phone _____ 12. Business Phone _____

13. Email Address _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

14. Gender: **Male** **Female**

15. Marital Status: **Single** **Married** **Divorced/Legally Separated** **Widowed**

16. I am currently employed. Select one: **Yes – Full-time** **Yes – Part-time** **No**

16a. If yes, enter name of employer: _____

17. Are you a United States Veteran? **Yes, Discharge Date** _____ **No**

18. Please indicate your race/ethnicity: **I do not wish to self-identify race/ethnicity**

Hispanic/Latino **American Indian/Alaskan Native** **Asian** **Black/African American**

Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander **White/Caucasian** **Other** _____

19. Denomination: _____

20. Name of Local Congregation: _____

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International students MUST submit proof of income with your completed application. Acceptable documents include (1) letters of employment on church/company letterhead, (2) notarized letters from parents/spouse stating the yearly support given or (3) current bank statements. The Financial Aid Office reserves the right to verify any information the applicant submits or lists below.

EXPENSE DETAIL SHEET

Today's Date _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Please list your yearly expenses in the areas listed below. It is important that you be as accurate as possible. Do not list monthly or weekly amounts.

21. Yearly rent/mortgage _____

22. Yearly utilities and insurance _____

23. Yearly food expenses _____

24. Yearly clothing, laundry, cleaning expenses _____

25. Yearly recreation expense _____

26. Yearly telephone charges _____

27. Yearly medical and dental expenses (if not insured) _____

28. Yearly church and charity donations _____

29. Yearly health/life insurance premiums _____

30. Yearly child care costs _____

31. Other (Please explain) _____

32. TOTAL YEARLY EXPENSES _____

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NAMED SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION

Today's Date _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

New York Theological Seminary has been the beneficiary of generous gifts from a number of alumni/ae and friends over the years who have established a living legacy in the form of a permanent endowment to support current students with scholarship assistance. Institutional scholarships are drawn from the interest of these funds and are awarded annually following the description for each award.

Please review the following named scholarship descriptions and indicate your interest(s) (**check ALL that apply**). You will receive separate notification if you are selected. Being selected as a named scholar will not increase the scholarship award you have already received.

- The Ellen Blodgett Memorial Scholarship** was established in her memory by the Rev. Agnes C. Saffoury, class of 2005, to help students from under-represented communities in the Seminary.
- The Paul W. Bradley Scholarship** was established by the family and friends of the Rev. Dr. Paul W. Bradley (DMin, class of 2007) who served first as Vice President for Development and Institutional Advancement, and then as a Trustee of New York Theological Seminary until his death in 2014. The award is given annually to a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transgendered student at NYTS.
- William L. Bradley Memorial Scholarship** was established in his memory by the family and friends of Dr. William L. Bradley, including Paul W. Bradley, class of 2007, to provide scholarship support for a deserving student from Southeast Asia, Indonesia, or the Phillippines.
- The William K. Lee Scholarship** is given annually to one or more students in honor of Dr. William K. Lee, Chair of the Board of Trustees (2012- present). Preference is given to international students who demonstrate academic excellence and a commitment to ministry.
- The Esther Cummings Memorial Scholarship** was established by the Seminary to commemorate the life and ministry of Esther Cummings who served as Professor of Missionary Linguistics and Public Speaking at The Biblical Seminary in New York.
- The Margaret Eddy Scholarship** provides support for a graduate student in the Master of Divinity Program. Margaret Eddy was a graduate of the Seminary and a member of the Board of Trustees.
- The Ethel Mae Gaston Memorial Scholarship** was established by Ethel Mae Gaston's family and friends to honor her dedication and commitment to the increase of ministry within the church. This scholarship is awarded to Baptist students.

- The Emily V. Gibbes Scholarship** was established by friends of Emily Gibbes to honor Dr. Gibbes' courageous leadership and role-modeling for Black Christian women. The award is given annually to Black female students who demonstrate unusual leadership potential.
- The William Randolph Hearst Endowed Scholarship** was established in the name of publisher William Randolph Hearst to promote excellence in ministry and to assist those who are financially challenged in obtaining quality accredited theological education.
- The Melvyn F. Hester Scholarship** was established by Dr. Laura J. Pires-Hester in memory of her husband, the Rev. Dr. Melvyn F. Hester, to support students in the Masters Program, preferably employed in public service.
- The Barbara J. and M. William Howard Jr. Scholarship** was established to honor the work and ministry of the Rev. Dr. M. William Howard, Jr., president of NYTS from 1992-2000, and his wife, Barbara. This scholarship is awarded to students who have a strong denominational identity, are deeply involved in a local congregation, and demonstrate a discernable ecumenical commitment. Recipients must also demonstrate a call to a ministry of social justice and social transformation.
- The Sang Ok Hur Scholarship** was established by the Rev. Dr. Young S. Kim, class of 1994, in memory of his mother, Mrs. Sang Ok Hur, to assist women enrolled at New York Theological Seminary who are called to ministry.
- The Hwain Chang Lee** scholarship is given in honor of the life and service of Dr. Hwain Chang Lee and is awarded annually to one or more women international students attending NYTS.
- The Margaret Smith Maase Scholarship** was established in 2001 to honor the life and missionary zeal of Margaret Smith Maase, '48. The scholarship is awarded annually to a student of New York Theological Seminary, preferably affiliated with the Baptist tradition, who either comes from Southeast Asia, or is planning to do missionary work, or is planning to enter the ordained ministry, and exhibits financial need.
- The Ann M. Mallouk Scholarship** provides support for one or more students pursuing a master's degree at the Seminary.
- The Rev. Richard S. McCarroll and Mrs. E. Allison McCarroll Scholarship** was established by the Board of Trustees on the 50th anniversary of Reverend McCarroll's graduation (class of 1929) from The Biblical Seminary in New York, to assist in the education of Master Divinity students.
- The Ella and Harold Midtbo Scholarship** was established by Dr. Harold Midtbo, Trustee Emeritus and Trustee of the Seminary from 1953 to 1990, and his wife, Mrs. Ella Midtbo, for deserving students in need.
- The William Howard Morton Scholarship** was established by the parents of William Howard Morton in memory of their son, whose untimely death cut short a promising career of great potential in Christian ministry. The scholarship is awarded annually to a student in the Master of Divinity Program.
- The Abraham A. Oyedeji Scholarship** was established by members of Christ Apostolic Church (First in the Americas), Brooklyn, New York, in honor of their founding pastor, the Reverend Doctor Abraham A. Oyedeji, to support students of Christ Apostolic Church and others from African Instituted churches, or who intend to serve in ministry within an African Instituted Church anywhere in the world.

□ **The George D. Younger Scholarship** was established in his memory by the family and friends of the Rev. Dr. George S. Younger to support New York Theological Seminary students who demonstrate courage, integrity and commitment to urban ministry. Preference in awarding the scholarship is given to students who are members of The Riverside Church in New York City.

□ **The Luther and Mary Ida Vandross Scholarship** was established by Mary Ida Vandross, mother of the renowned singer Luther Vandross, to provide scholarships for members of Mariner's Temple Baptist Church who are enrolled in a degree program at NYTS. The scholarship is offered and administered by Mariner's Temple Baptist Church.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Optional)

33. Please describe any additional information or extenuating circumstances that you believe the Financial Aid Department should be aware of in making a scholarship determination. Use additional sheets, if necessary.

CERTIFICATION

By signing this application, I submit that this is my own work and that the information above is true and correct. I understand and agree that this application will be invalid if information is withheld or misinformation is given. I understand that this completed application and all supporting attachments become the property of New York Theological Seminary and will not be duplicated or returned. I understand and agree that New York Theological Seminary reserves the right to verify the information contained in this application. If approved, I agree that I must certify the acceptance of my award within stipulated timeframes in order to receive scholarship funds. I agree to notify New York Theological Seminary of any external financial aid received, any changes in my academic standing, and to comply with all rules and regulations of the Seminary.

Applicant's Signature _____

Today's Date _____