

ARKANSAS BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION (ABSC)
Ministry Scholarship
Scholarship is \$1,125 per semester *

Basic Qualifications (see "Arkansas Baptist Ministry Scholarship Policies" for complete details):

- The student must be FULL-TIME (at least 12 hours in Fall/Spring semesters; 6 hours if taking Summer) and have a declared major in Christian Studies.
- The student must have made a public commitment in a Southern Baptist Church of a call to pastoral or preaching ministry, youth ministry, or church planting. The Southern Baptist church must LICENSE the student to ministry & RECOMMEND the student for participation in the scholarship program.
- The student must secure a SPONSORING SOUTHERN BAPTIST church who will contribute \$125 per semester toward the scholarship*.
- The student must SIGN a Promissory Agreement EACH SEMESTER agreeing to repay the scholarship to the ABSC if they do not continue in ministry after graduating or completing their studies at the school for at least as many years as the scholarship was granted.
- The student must ATTEND a (one-time) Ministry Leadership Development Retreat within the first two years of receiving the scholarship.

Application Procedure:

1. Send a copy of the student's ministerial license to Tracey Knight in the Pruet School of Christian Studies Dean's office. **Office** is located in Berry Bible 127; **mailing** address is OBU Box 3787, Arkadelphia AR 71998; **FAX** number is 870-245-5517; **email** is knightte@obu.edu.
2. Application, Church Recommendation and Promissory Agreement forms will be prepared by Tracey Knight & will require the student's signature. Students may sign paperwork in Berry Bible 127 at the beginning of each semester. Students should NOT send paperwork to the ABSC themselves.
3. **THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS OCTOBER 1 IN THE FALL & MARCH 1 IN THE SPRING. CHURCH RECOMMENDATION FORM & CHECK MUST BE RECEIVED (at the ABSC) BY THE LAST DAY OF FINALS FOR THE SEMESTER IN WHICH THE SCHOLARSHIP IS TO BE APPLIED.**

* The sponsoring church contributes \$125 each semester.

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Students employed in a ministry staff position with an Arkansas Baptist State Convention cooperating church will receive \$2,125 per semester. (Church contribution remains \$125.)

For further information, contact: Tracey Knight ~ 870-245-5599 ~ email: knightte@obu.edu