

CHAPLAIN SAMUEL GROVER POWELL SCHOLARSHIP



The Chaplain Samuel Grover Powell Scholarship Fund was established as a memorial in 1980 by the family and friends of Chaplain Powell. The Reverend Samuel Grover Powell served as a chaplain in the United States Air Force for 28 years. He believed that “Military people deserve the best qualified chaplains, for they are not only serving God, but their country.”

DEADLINE: Applications and all required documents must be submitted by July 1, 2025 for awards to be applied to the 2025-2026 academic year.

CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must:
 - Be enrolled at an accredited theological seminary
 - Be in either their middle or senior year
 - Be involved in the Chaplain Candidate (Seminarian) Program, or serving in a military reserve component after having completed an active duty tour in one of the United States armed forces
- Preference is given to students in their senior year who plan to serve in the United States Air Force. However, persons preparing for chaplaincy in any branch of the military will be considered.
- Award recipients are expected to serve in the United States chaplaincy upon completion of seminary, ordination, and endorsement.

AWARD

- Awards are made for one academic year. Recipients may apply for a second year, however new applicants will be given priority. A person may not receive awards for more than two academic years.
- Awards must be used for the payment of tuition. Checks will be mailed directly to the business office of the school where student is enrolled, with instructions that the full amount be applied to the student’s account.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Submit this application form, along with:
 - A letter which includes a brief personal history and a statement about your decision to choose military chaplaincy as a career
 - A recent photograph
 - Undergraduate and graduate transcripts
 - Enclosed financial statement
 - A report of your ministry in the Chaplain Candidate (Seminarian) program
- Faxes or photocopies of completed application and supporting documentation will not be accepted.
- **Mail application and required documents to:**
United Methodist Higher Education Foundation
Attn: Director of Scholarships
P.O. Box 340005
Nashville, TN 37203-0005

To review UMHEF’s promise to responsibly handle your personal information, please visit <https://umhef.org/scholarship-privacy-policy/>.

UMHEF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Financial Aid is Requested for 2025-2026 Academic Year

Income Available to meet expenses for academic year:

Personal Funds (cash, savings, etc.)	\$ _____
Total Summer Earnings	\$ _____
Summer Earnings Available for School	\$ _____
Expected Earnings for Academic Year	\$ _____
Parental Support	\$ _____
Spouse's Net Income, if applicable	\$ _____
Assistantships	\$ _____
Scholarships (itemize)	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Grants (itemize)	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Loans (itemize)	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Other Income (itemize)	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
TOTAL INCOME:	\$ _____

Estimated Expenses for the academic year:

Tuition and Fees	\$ _____
Books	\$ _____
Housing	\$ _____
Food	\$ _____
Clothing and Laundry	\$ _____
Medical Care	\$ _____
Transportation (itemize)	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Other Expenses (itemize)	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$ _____

Please Note: On a separate sheet, describe any unusually high expenses. (Additional itemized expenses should also be listed.) Special circumstances that may affect your financial situation should be explained.

If you are a self-supporting student, list number of dependents (explain) _____

Have you applied for other financial aid for the academic year not listed above? _____

If yes, name sources _____

If approved, list amount you will receive (or have received) from each source _____

List Educational Loans unpaid for prior years:	Source:	Amount:
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____