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All scholarship applications must be **mailed** to Phillips University Legacy Foundation and postmarked no later than **March 1, 2015**:

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For questions, please contact Tamela Harsha at (580) 237-4433 or at scholarships@pulf.org.



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Policies and Criteria

The Phillips University Legacy Foundation (Legacy Foundation) is pleased to offer an undergraduate scholarship and leadership development program to students who are pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree and attending a college or university as listed in the current Yearbook & Directory of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). The purpose of this program is to perpetuate the mission and the legacy of Phillips University by helping educate students who will be future Christian leaders. Phillips University Legacy Foundation does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or operations.

Before proceeding with your application, please read the following information:

1. **Application** – A completed application will include:

- ✓ Completed Application Form
- ✓ Résumé of Accomplishments
- ✓ Signed Essay
- ✓ Signed *Publicity Release Agreement* Form
- ✓ Three Personal References
- ✓ Incoming Freshmen - Furnish a copy of your Letter of Acceptance of Admission from the college/university to which you will be attending.
- ✓ Official transcript(s) from both high school (required of all applicants) and college (if applicable) showing all work completed through the Fall semester of 2014. The official transcript(s) must be mailed by the schools to the Legacy Foundation by March 1, 2015.
- ✓ ACT/SAT scores sent from your school or the ACT/SAT office(s). Some high schools do not send test scores with transcripts, so please check when you request your transcript. If your high school does not, you can request your scores on-line.

ACT: <http://www.actstudent.org/scores/send> - Phillips University Legacy Foundation's ACT Code is 6964.

SAT: <http://sat.collegeboard.org/scores/send-sat-scores> - Phillips University Legacy Foundation's SAT Code is 7922.

Incomplete applications cannot be considered for scholarships. We cannot notify applicants of what is missing from their applications, but we do encourage you to contact us at any time to make sure your materials have arrived. ***All of the materials listed above must be mailed to the Phillips University Legacy Foundation office and postmarked by March 1, 2015.*** We recommend that all application materials be submitted via trackable mail such as the US Postal Service (certified, priority, and express mail), United Parcel Service (UPS) and Federal Express

(FedEx). Consideration will be given to all information included with the completed application. **We also recommend that all applicants keep a copy of their completed application and all supporting documentation.**

2. **Reference Forms** – This application package includes three separate reference forms which are to be downloaded from the Legacy Foundation website separately and emailed to whomever you want to fill it out. **Form A** is to be completed by your pastor or a lay church leader. *In the event the applicant is the child or spouse of the pastor, or a pastor is not available, the form should be completed by another minister or a lay Church leader who knows the applicant well.* **Form B** is to be completed by a current teacher and **Form C** is to be completed by another person, not a relative or fellow student, who knows you well. Each reference is to be seal the form in an envelope with their signature across the seal and return it to the applicant. Applicant is to submit these forms with the application.

3. **Scholarship Amount Terms** – The amount of the scholarship will vary depending on student qualifications, ability to follow all instructions in this application, and available funds. Receipt of a scholarship is limited to a maximum period of eight semesters and a maximum amount of \$5,000 per year. Recipients of a scholarship will be known as Phillips Legacy Scholars.

Scholarship amounts awarded to renewal Scholars are also dependent on their Volunteer Service Project, Leadership Conference attendance and participation and their ability to meet deadlines throughout the year as outlined by the Legacy Foundation. Therefore, renewal Scholars may be awarded different amounts on a year-to-year basis.

4. **Enrollment Requirements** – A scholarship recipient must be enrolled full-time (minimum of 12 hours per semester), pursuing a Baccalaureate Degree and attending a Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) private college/university as listed in the current Yearbook & Directory of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Eligible institutions are as follows:

Barton College	Wilson, NC	www.barton.edu
Bethany College	Bethany, WV	www.bethanywv.edu
Chapman University	Orange, CA	www.chapman.edu
Columbia College	Columbia, MO	www.ccis.edu
Culver-Stockton College	Canton, MO	www.culver.edu
Drake University	Des Moines, IA	www.drake.edu
Drury University	Springfield, MO	www.drury.edu
Eureka College	Eureka, IL	www.eureka.edu
Hiram College	Hiram, OH	www.hiram.edu
Jarvis Christian College	Hawkins, TX	www.jarvis.edu
Lynchburg College	Lynchburg, VA	www.lynchburg.edu
Midway College	Midway, KY	www.midway.edu
Northwest Christian University	Eugene, OR	www.nwcu.edu
Texas Christian University	Fort Worth, TX	www.tcu.edu
Tougaloo College	Tougaloo, MS	www.tougaloo.edu
Transylvania University	Lexington, KY	www.transy.edu
William Woods University	Fulton, MO	www.williamwoods.edu

It is not a requirement that recipients attend a church that is affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

5. **GPA Requirements** – based on a 4.0 scale, are as follows:

- ✓ First semester 2.5 GPA
- ✓ Third semester 2.8 cumulative GPA
- ✓ Fifth semester 3.0 cumulative GPA

Failure to achieve these requirements may result in the student being ineligible for reapplication.

6. **Annual Leadership Conference** – All 2015-2016 Phillips Legacy Scholars will be the guests of the Legacy Foundation at an annual four day leadership conference from **November 12-15, 2015**. The purpose of each Conference is to provide substantive educational, personal and professional development opportunities that will enhance the growth and development of the Scholars' individual, group leadership and life-building skills. The only exceptions made regarding attendance are for serious personal illness, death of an immediate family member or study abroad for the Fall semester (Scholar must inform the Legacy Foundation in advance regarding study abroad). **All Legacy Scholars are required to attend this event.** The location will be announced before the beginning of the Fall 2015 semester. The Legacy Foundation will pay for transportation, lodging, meals and the Conference program costs.
7. **Volunteer Service Project** – All 2015-2016 Phillips Legacy Scholars are required to perform a volunteer service project of his/her choice at a church, hospital, social or community service organization, outreach program of the college/university, or a public/private school. The service project is intended to be of benefit to others and provide the Scholar with opportunities to gain leadership experience. Renewal Scholars are required to perform at least 40 hours of volunteer work in the 2015 calendar year. **First year Scholars are not required to perform a volunteer service project for the 2015 calendar year. First year Scholars will receive additional information on the Volunteer Service Project guidelines and reporting processes at the 2015 Leadership Conference.**
8. **Letter of Acceptance/Transfer Policy** – Freshmen applicants must submit a Letter of Acceptance from the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) institution(s) to which you have been accepted. For Sophomore, Junior and Senior applicants, your transcript will indicate your acceptance to that Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) institution in which you are enrolled. Scholarships **will not be transferable** to another institution unless you notify us of your change of plans by July 15, 2015. Transfer approval will be given on a case-by-case basis and the transfer must be to another Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) college/university as listed in Section 4.
9. **Publicity Release** – Please sign the enclosed Publicity Release Form, or if you are under 18 years of age, please have one of your parents/guardians sign it. If you are selected as a Scholar, this form will authorize the Legacy Foundation to use your photo and name to publicize you as a recipient of a Phillips Legacy Scholarship.
10. **Photograph** – By no later than **June 15, 2015**, all Phillips Legacy Scholars are required to submit to the Legacy Foundation one color photograph (head and shoulder shot on a neutral background) that is produced by a professional photographer. The Scholars' photos are featured in promotional publications utilized by the Legacy Foundation to expand the Scholarship and Leadership Development Program, so it is essential that these photographs be professional. Strict photo specifications will be emailed to all approved Scholars.

11. ***Selection Process*** – A committee will select recipients and set scholarship amounts. Phillips Legacy Scholars will be e-mailed notification of the award decisions no later than **April 15, 2015**.
12. ***Renewable Scholarships*** – Scholarships are ***not*** automatically renewable each year. To be eligible to renew your scholarship, you must:
 - ✓ Submit a professionally produced photograph that conforms to the Legacy Foundation guidelines by the stated deadline.
 - ✓ Attend the Leadership Conference as outlined in Section 6.
 - ✓ Maintain academic standards as listed in Section 5.
 - ✓ Submit a current official college/university transcript by the stated deadline.
 - ✓ Complete all requirements for the Volunteer Service Project by the stated deadlines.
 - ✓ Submit a complete Renewal application and related attachments by the stated deadline.
13. ***Scholarship Checks*** – The Legacy Foundation scholarship checks are made payable directly to the Financial Aid Office at the college/university. Each Scholar's Fall semester check will be mailed after we have received his/her Contact Information form which provides the Scholar's college/university (mailing address, campus phone number, cell phone number and campus email address). You will receive the form this summer. The check will be sent for the Spring semester after we have received applicable Volunteer Service Project Proposal form(s) (which are due **January 10, 2015**). The scholarship can be applied to tuition, books, room and board, lab fees and similar educational expenses incurred within the college/university.
14. ***Application Deadline & Contact Information*** – Any materials postmarked later than **March 1, 2015** cannot be considered. We are aware our application process requires considerable time. We appreciate the efforts of the applicants to meet the deadlines and supply the information we need to make scholarship decisions. **Please contact Tamela Harsha at (580) 237-4433 or at scholarships@pulf.org if you have any questions or concerns about the application process.**

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Applicant's Name: _____

III. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) institution to which you have applied or are enrolled for 2015-2016. If you have applied to more than one school, please list on a separate sheet.

College/University of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) _____

Anticipated Major or Undecided _____

Degree _____

Classification in college during 2015-2016
(check only one)

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Senior

Expected Date of Graduation _____

IV. *CHURCH and LOCAL NEWSPAPER INFORMATION

* It is not a requirement that recipients attend a church that is affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

A. Congregation you attend _____

B. Address, City, State & Zip _____

C. Pastor's Name, Telephone, Email _____

D. Local newspaper, contact person, phone number, and email

V. RÉSUMÉ - *Attach with application*

Provide a résumé that lists your education, honors and activities in your school, church, community and in other settings, and your work experience. Utilize a chronological style that lists the most recent at the top.

Note positions of leadership you have held. Please review the enclosed "Résumé Guide" and "Suggested Résumé Template" before writing your résumé.

VI. BRIEF ESSAY - *Attach with application*

Describe your educational goals and career plans and how you envision those goals and plans contributing to your development as a Christian leader. (*This one page essay MUST be typed and signed legibly.*)

VII. PHILLIPS UNIVERSITY CONNECTION

Do you have a family member who attended or worked at Phillips University? Yes No

If yes, please fill out this section: Name and relationship of family member having a connection to Phillips University

Alumni Date(s) Attended _____ Degree _____

Faculty or Staff Period(s) of employment _____ Position(s) _____

If you have multiple Phillips University connections, please attach a separate sheet.

Applicant's Name: _____

VIII. APPLICATION MAILING CHECKLISTS

To be mailed by March 1, 2015 by applicant in same envelope:

- Completed application
- Typed Résumé
- Typed & Signed Essay
- Publicity Release Agreement
- Three reference letters in sealed, signed envelopes
- Incoming Freshman-Letter of Acceptance from College

To be mailed by March 1, 2015 by other parties separately:

- Official High School Transcript (required of all applicants)
- Official ACT and/or SAT Test Scores (required of all applicants)
- Official College Transcript (if applicable)

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IX. SIGNATURE

I have read and understand the *2015-2016 Application Policies and Criteria* related to the Phillips University Legacy Foundation Scholarship and Leadership Development Program and agree to follow said policies and criteria if I am named a 2015-2016 Legacy Scholar.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian must also sign if applicant is under 18 years of age

Date

Résumé Guide

These guidelines will acquaint you with our minimal expectation for your résumé. In addition, there are many websites on résumé writing from which you can obtain examples and additional guidance.

Good résumé writing focuses on your strengths and shows your potential. It speaks clearly of your education, experience and related activities. It is about how you contributed to serving the needs of your school, your volunteer activities and other organizations with which you have involvement, how you have solved problems, and the supportive personal characteristics you have brought to these experiences.

Through part-time employment and your volunteer work, you are acquiring experience with interviews, supervisors, management styles, people, and problem solving, as well as providing a valuable service. Evaluate your experiences in these terms, including the overall effectiveness of different environments, and make notes for your file. There is something to learn from every experience. Be sure to note knowledge and skills you have learned and contributed. Your course work will develop your area of expertise; how effectively you apply yourself to tasks outside the classroom will develop your life skills.

Keep a file of your leadership experiences and activities, with dates, names and contact information of pertinent people. This file will be a valuable resource in writing your résumé. You may not use everything in your file. However, reviewing everything will give you a better understanding of where you have been and will assist you in making meaningful summary statements on your résumé.

Basic Guidelines:

- Keep it short (1 or 2 pages) and make it powerful. You are developing the skills you will use in making career moves in the future.
- Place contact information at the top of the résumé – name, address, home and cell telephone numbers and e-mail address.
- Use a chronological style that lists in order by the most recent dates your current education, honors and activities in your school, church, community and in other settings, and your work experience. Include dates for each listed item.
- Your Volunteer Service Project(s) should be emphasized in the body of the résumé. However, be sure you include all opportunities that relate to leadership and career development. Check your file to be sure that you have included critical points from each opportunity and summarize them effectively.
- Differentiate between your leadership roles and your participation roles.
- Choose your words carefully as sentences gain power with verbs that demonstrate an action. Use action words to describe your accomplishments, like: achieved, arranged, completed, conducted, developed, enabled, improved, led, managed, represented, organized, and trained.
- Proofread and check for accuracy. A résumé should lead the reader to understand and appreciate your fine work and academic accomplishments and it should be very honest and straight forward.

- Please do not use acronyms for names of groups, clubs, honors, events or activities – spell the full name.
- Leadership Summary Statement – State briefly your most substantial accomplishment that supports your leadership development and why you selected this event or activity.
- Overall review – Is your grammar, spelling and syntax correct? Is your writing as clear as possible? If you are unsure in these areas, get another person involved. Edit and polish your résumé until the final draft is without errors.
- Please submit in typed form.



Suggested Résumé Template

Your Name

Street Address
City, State, Zip Code
Phone Number (s)
Email address

Education

College/University Name (if applicable) – City, State
Dates of attendance
GPA
Major
Minor
Related Course Work
High School Name – School City, State
Dates of attendance
GPA

Achievements

List academic, church and community achievements

Volunteer Service Projects

List Volunteer Service Projects you have performed. Be sure to include all opportunities that relate to leadership and development.

Activities (specify all leadership roles)

List sports, clubs, church, community etc. as well as dates of involvement

Work Experience

Company Name, Dates of Employment, Job Title, description, responsibilities

Skills

List pertinent personal skills here

Miscellaneous

Anything else you feel is important

Leadership Statement

Briefly state your most substantial accomplishment that supports your leadership development and why you selected this event or activity.



Publicity Release Agreement

In return for being considered as a possible scholarship or grant recipient, I agree to the use of my name, likeness, and picture by, and such information about me as Phillips University, Inc., Phillips University Legacy Foundation, and/or the Phillips University Alumni and Friends Association (“Phillips”) deems appropriate in connection with disclosing scholarship and grant recipients, publicizing scholarships and grants offered or to be offered by Phillips, other informational uses, and promotion materials.

I waive the right to inspect or approve any use of my name, likeness, picture, or other information.

Print Name

Signature

Date