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Marilyn Jackson Scholarship Application Information Sheet

About the Application

There is no mechanism for saving this application as you go. To give yourself the best chance at success, gather all your materials and prepare your narrative answers prior to starting the online form.

Deadline — October 1, 2023, midnight CST

Questions — Reach out to our Communications and Scholarship Administrator, Alex Duperval, at apollos@opsf-omaha.org or call 402-397-5138

Applicant Requirements — To be eligible for the Marilyn A. Jackson Scholarship, applicants must be:

- An ordained Pastor, Commissioned Pastor (CP), or Commissioned Ruling Elder (CRE)
- Currently serving in a PC(USA) congregation in Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, Wisconsin, or Wyoming
- Has served for 3+ years in an installed or commissioned position in congregational ministry.
- Committed to small-church ministry having either.
 - Served for 5+ years in a church with membership of 100 or fewer or
 - Served for 3 years in a church with membership of 100 or fewer, with a commitment to serve an additional 2 years.
- Applicant is of a racial or ethnic minority group.
- Previous recipients of the Jackson grant must wait two years before reapplying. Priority is given to new applicants.

Application Session

Applications must be received through the online form. The application must be completed in one session. Use this document to prepare. You may apply at tinyurl.com/JacksonOPSF

Recommendation

Every application must be accompanied by a reference from the Presbyter or Stated Clerk of the applicant's presbytery, or the Clerk of Session of the applicant's church. It is the responsibility of the applicant to share the reference form. The form may be accessed at tinyurl.com/JacksonRec

Privacy

Privacy Act Notice: All information is to be used by the Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation or its assignees in determining whether the applicant qualifies as a prospective recipient of the Foundation's Marilyn A. Jackson Grant. The information will not be disclosed outside the Foundation except as required or permitted by law.

Application Content

1. Name
2. Ministry Category
 - Minister of Word and Sacrament
 - Commissioned Pastor/Commissioned Ruling Elder
3. Year of Ordination as Minister of Word and Sacrament or Year of commissioning to current position
4. Position Title
5. Is this an installed position?
6. Ethnicity
7. Race
8. Contact Information — Email, Phone number, Home Address

9. Ministry Information
 - Name of church
 - Church contact information — Phone number, Church Address, Presbytery
 - Presbytery
 - Number of members in congregation
 - Briefly describe the community where your church is located.
 - Is this position full-time or part-time?
 - How many years served at your current congregation?
 - Tell us about your congregation (context, congregational make-up, unique ministries)

10. Small Church Ministry Commitment
 - Tell us about your call to small-church ministry (up to 1000 characters)
 - Tell us how this grant will support you (the pastor, not the congregation) as you dedicate yourself to small-church ministry (up to 1000 characters)

11. Reference — A reference is required from the Presbyter or Stated Clerk of your Presbytery, or your Clerk of Session. Please provide your reference of choice with the following link. Your application is not complete until the reference is received. Here you will provide the information regarding your reference. It is your responsibility to provide the reference with the form link: tinyurl.com/JacksonRec
 - Name
 - Relationship of Reference to Applicant (presbyter, stated clerk of applicant's presbytery, clerk of applicant's congregation)
 - Email of Reference
 - Reference Phone number

12. Signature