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*Doctor of Ministry Studies Program*

**Gilbert W. and Darlene D. Stafford**

**Doctor of Ministry Endowed Scholarship**

**Purpose**

The Gilbert W. and Darlene D. Stafford Doctor of Ministry Endowed Scholarship is established to provide scholarship assistance to a Doctor of Ministry student pursuing vocational excellence in ministry.

**Criteria for Selection**

A DMin Scholarship recipient must be a current student in good standing at the Anderson University School of Theology. The scholarship is available to all DMin participants, regardless of denominational affiliation. The criteria for selecting a candidate will be as follows:

- Applicants must be full-time students (i.e., taking at least 10 hours per academic year).
- Awards will be made by the School of Theology Financial Aid and Awards Committee.
- Scholarship applicants must already be working in a field of ministry, but not necessarily as a pastor.
- Scholarship applicants must demonstrate vocational excellence in ministry.

**Scholarship Funding**

The scholarship will provide up to \$1,000 for one academic year (two consecutive semesters) for tuition charges and expenses.

**Eligibility for Continuation of Scholarship**

Scholarship eligibility during the two semesters requires the recipient to maintain enrollment at Anderson University School of Theology and be on track to meet the necessary academic standards required for graduation in the Doctor of Ministry Program.

**Application Deadline**

The application must be received by **May 1**. The scholarship recipient will be notified by **June 1**.

# DMin Scholarship Application

## Application Deadline

This application must be received by **May 1** for consideration by the Financial Aid and Awards Committee.

## Complete and return this application to:

Chair of the Financial Aid and Awards Committee  
Anderson University School of Theology  
1100 East Fifth Street, Anderson, IN 46012-3495

## Applicant Information

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Year in Program \_\_\_\_\_

Current Area of Ministry (type and location) \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you served in this ministry? \_\_\_\_\_

## Required Essay *(attach to this application)*

Write a three- to five-page type-written essay describing the nature of your current ministry and reasons why you believe it is a significant ministry, including the following: consistency in fruitful ministry over the years; recognition by colleagues and others at the city, state, or national level on your effectiveness in ministry; your efforts to remain current with issues and strategies affecting your ministry setting; indications of skills in collaboration with others both within and outside your ministry setting; leadership, if any, at local, state, or national level; and a statement on how you and your family have partnered in ministry and in life. The essay must conform to the **criteria for approved study** as listed in this application packet.

## References *(2)*

Submit two references from individuals who know you and your ministry well. One of the references should be a person outside of your primary or immediate ministry context (e.g., chair of ministerial fellowship, state minister, chairperson of your city's ministerial fellowship, district superintendent, any person in supervisory position, etc.). Have them address the nature of your achievements in ministry over the years; the effectiveness of your ministry and the extent your ministry is recognized by your colleagues and others at the city, state, or national level; any evidence of your efforts to remain current with issues and strategies affecting your ministry setting; perception of your skills in collaborating with others in promoting ministry goals; any leadership you have had at the local, state, or national level; and their observations on your family life.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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