LUTHERAN STUDENT SCHOLASTIC AND SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

Guidelines for the 2022-2023 Academic Year An amazing amount $15,000 in scholarship will be awarded to Lutheran students pursuing undergraduate degrees and seminarian and post-graduate students that will prepare them for ministry (such as pastor, pre-seminary and deaconess studies, deaconess, director of Christian education, or special-needs teacher), so they will have opportunity to share Jesus’ love and the Gospel message with people living with intellectual and developmental disabilities

*Scholarships will be awarded only twice to the same person.

Eligibility Criteria for undergraduate students:
- Be an active, communicant member of a Lutheran congregation.
- Be classified as a junior or senior at an accredited 4-year college or university.
- Have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Have a career objective in the field of ministry with people living with intellectual and developmental disabilities, so opportunities to share the Gospel and Jesus’ love with them, as wonderful relationship of shared faith are established.

Eligibility Criteria for seminarians and post-graduate students:
- Be an active, communicant member of a Lutheran congregation.
- Be a current college senior or a person accepted to begin seminary or post-graduate studies in the fall, or currently be classified as a first-year or second-year student at any Lutheran seminary. Students going on to their internship/vicarage year do not qualify.
- Have a commitment to inclusion of people living with intellectual and developmental disabilities within the local parish, giving them the opportunities for study of God’s Word and serving with which all members are blessed.

Application Requirements:
1. Completed application form.
2. Documentation of 100 hours of service to people living with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities.
3. A 250–350-word essay on how the intended academic course of study will support their career in the field of intellectual and developmental disabilities ministry.
4. Four letters of recommendation (pastor, professor, and two unrelated others).
5. An official college/university transcript(s).
6. Submit pictures of applicant volunteering/interacting with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. (required) Permission to use pictures will be required of each person in the picture.

Optional: Any other material that will assist the committed to better know the applicant.

Send the completed application in an envelope marked "Confidential"

AbleLight, Inc., Jenna Wegner
600 Hoffmann Dr. Watertown, WI
53094

Questions: Jenna Wegner 920-206-4426 or jenna.wegner@ablelight.org

DEADLINE: Applications must be postmarked on or before May 13, 2022. Bethesda Lutheran Communities Auxiliary’s Scholarship Committee will review all applications and awards will be announced by July 1, 2022.
ABLELIGHT AUXILIARY
(AbleLight, Inc., formerly Bethesda Lutheran Communities, Inc.)

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Seminary Application
2022/2023 Academic Year

DEADLINE: Application must be postmarked on or before Friday, May 13, 2022.

Name ________________________________________________________________

Home Address ______________________________________________________________________

City __________________________ State ______ ZIP __________

Phone contact: Landline __________________________ and/or Mobile __________________________

Email (print carefully) __________________________________________________________

Home Church ________________________________________________________________

Synod: LCMS____ WELS____ ELCA____ ELS____ NALC____ LCMC____

Pastor(s) __________________________ Telephone __________________________

Church Address ______________________________________________________________________

City __________________________ State ______ ZIP __________

High School __________________________ City __________________________ State ______ Grad Year: ______

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

Name __________________________ City __________________________ State ______

Dates Attended: from ______ to ______ GPA ________ Degree Earned ______________________

For College Seniors Only
Accepted by Seminary: ___________________________________________________________
To begin: ________Date (Copy of acceptance letter must be attached)

SEMINARY – CURRENT

Name __________________________ City __________________________ State ______

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Company __________________________ Telephone ______________

Supervisor’s Name __________________________

Address __________________________________________

City __________________________ State _____ ZIP ________

Duties: __________________________________________

Dates Employed: from ___________ to ___________ (month/year required)

Company __________________________ Telephone ______________

Address __________________________________________

City __________________________ State _____ ZIP ________

Duties: __________________________________________

Dates Employed: from ___________ to ___________ (month/year required)

Company __________________________ Telephone ______________

Supervisor’s Name __________________________

Address __________________________________________

City __________________________ State _____ ZIP ________

Duties: __________________________________________

Dates Employed: from ___________ to ___________ (month/year required)

Company __________________________ Telephone ______________

Supervisor’s Name __________________________

Address __________________________________________

City __________________________ State _____ ZIP ________

Duties: __________________________________________

Dates Employed: from ___________ to ___________ (month/year required)
VOLUNTEER HISTORY

Company/Org. __________________________ Telephone ________________

Contact Name: __________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________

City _________________________________________________________________ State _____ ZIP ________

Duties: __________________________________________________________________

Dates: from ___________ to ___________ (month/year required)    Hours: ____________________

Company/Org. __________________________ Telephone ________________

Contact Name: __________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________

City _________________________________________________________________ State _____ ZIP ________

Duties: __________________________________________________________________

Dates: from ___________ to ___________ (month/year required)    Hours: ____________________

Company/Org. __________________________ Telephone ________________

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Address ____________________________________________________________

City _________________________________________________________________ State _____ ZIP ________

Duties: __________________________________________________________________

Dates: from ___________ to ___________ (month/year required)    Hours: ____________________
HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THIS SCHOLARSHIP?

☐ Financial Aid Office ☐ Pastor/Church ☐ Parent

☐ Internet ☐ AbleLight publication

☐ Other __________________________________________

To the best of my knowledge, the information I have submitted is true and correct as of the date of this application, and the essay submitted is my own original work. I understand it may be necessary for AbleLight to contact my schools, employers, and other persons to confirm and/or discuss any information comprising my application, and I hereby consent to disclosure of any such information and waive any claims that may arise as a result of such disclosure. In consideration of the possible receipt of financial assistance from AbleLight, I grant AbleLight all rights to publication or use of materials submitted as part of my application, and forever release any claim to ownership of said materials.

_________________________________________ ☐
Applicant's Signature ☐ Date

Checklist:

☐ Transcript ☐ Career Essay

☐ Letters of Reference (4) ☐ Documentation of 100+ hours of service

☐ Seminary Acceptance Letter (college seniors only)

☐ Pictures working with people with disabilities and/or developmental disabilities (required)

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