



2026 Scholarship Application

"Finding Inspiration, Elevation, and Wholeness in Christ"

NOTABLE FACTS

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is August 5, 2026. Money to be awarded for the Fall quarter/semester of 2026.
2. Refer to the application process below for the required supporting documents (i.e. reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc...).
3. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will be deemed incomplete.
4. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be considered. No exceptions.
5. A thank you card sent by awardee to the Williams family is required before funds are distributed.
6. Students cannot re-apply for the scholarship they have previously been awarded.
7. For questions about the application, please email wholenessministriesintl@gmail.com.

PURPOSE

The D. J. Williams Graduate & Professional School Scholarship was established in 2020. The mission of the scholarship is to provide financial assistance to individuals that have completed their undergraduate studies, and are enrolled in graduate and professional degree programs at accredited colleges and universities in the USA. The D. J. Williams Graduate & Professional School Scholarship principally targets students who will be classified as graduate and professional students in the Fall quarter/semester of 2026. Only one award is given annually.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is based on academic performance, leadership potential, and participation in community programs, including but not limited to volunteer hours. This scholarship is not renewable, but is awarded annually provided funds are available.

TIMELINE

- Open from June 18, 2026 until August 5, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. (PST).
- Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.
- Applicants are notified only if awarded a scholarship by August 10, 2026.
- Financial award to be applied on or before August 17, 2026.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The D. J. Williams Graduate & Professional School Scholarship awards a scholarship based on a comprehensive process. Areas that are reviewed by the committee include, but are not limited to the following: Academic Accomplishments, References, Leadership Experience, Personal Essay and Financial Need. Wholeness Ministries International, Inc. will pay scholarship funds directly to the recipient's academic institution. Scholarships are awarded annually and only to one recipient in the amount of \$500. The D. J. Williams Graduate & Professional School Scholarship is awarded without regard to race, color, ethnicity, gender, religious affiliation, or sexual orientation. The Scholarship awarded is based upon the availability of funds and additional qualifying criteria. To honor the life, legacy, and 60+ year ministry of Bishop D. J. Williams, preference will be given to students who are pursuing theological education.

CRITERIA

- Applicants must be admitted to a graduate/professional degree program in the Fall quarter/semester of 2026.
- Applicants must currently have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicants must be current registered full-time students at an accredited college/university in the USA.
- Special consideration will be given to applicants who display financial need.
- Scholarship application is due by **August 5, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. (PST)**.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Scholarship Applicants **MUST** provide:

- Completed application form.
- Official proof of academic standing (most recent unofficial transcript accepted).
- A resume.
- A letter of recommendation from an academic advisor or professor.
- A letter of recommendation from an employer, pastor, or other community leader.
- Proof of financial need - Official Course & Fee statement from the academic institution.
- An essay response: 750-word maximum, answering the following prompts:
 1. *Describe your personal and academic journey up to this point. Please highlight reasons for your current academic pursuit.*
 2. *How do you understand a sense of "call" or "commitment" to this work?*
 3. *Please describe the relationship between "service" and "leadership" in your life experience and professional/educational field.*
 4. *How will this scholarship award meet or relieve your financial need? Please describe your financial investment in this degree pursuit and/or any hardships or financial challenges.*

Please email applications to wholenessministriesintl@gmail.com with the

Subject line: "2026 Service Scholarship Application."

Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

The D. J. Williams Graduate & Professional School Scholarship 2026

Please type or print your answers below. If the application is illegible it will be returned to you or deemed *INCOMPLETE*.

1	Full Legal Name: _____	University Name: _____
2	Permanent Mailing Address: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____	
3	Daytime Telephone Number: (____) _____ Email address (University Email): _____	
4	Expected graduation date (Month and Year): _____	Student ID Number: _____
5	Classification in Fall 2025: _____	
6	Number of Credit Hours Currently Attempted to Date: _____	
7	Grade Point Average (GPA): ____ / 4.0 Attach proof of GPA; your most recent unofficial school transcript is required.	
8	Current Academic Degree Program(s) _____ Concentration (if applicable) _____ Prior Academic Degree(s) _____	

ATTACHMENTS & REVIEW

Please make sure that the following items are completed and attached along with this application:

1. Two letters of recommendations. ***Please email all letters of recommendations to wholenessministriesintl@gmail.com with the subject line: “Scholarship Reference For (School Initials and the Student’s ID Number- [for example: Vanderbilt University and Student ID number: VU12345])” ***
 - a. A letter of recommendation from an academic advisor or professor.
 - b. A letter of recommendation from an employer, pastor, or other community leader.
2. Proof of financial need.
 - a. Course and fee statement from the academic institution.
3. Most recent official or unofficial college transcript.
4. Required essay responses to the question prompts.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me to the Wholeness Ministries International Scholarship Committee is true, correct and without forgery. I also consent that my social media profile and personal image may be used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the D. J. Williams Graduate & Professional School Scholarship Program or the sponsoring organization, Wholeness Ministries International, Inc..

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at my accredited academic institution and a thank you response to the awarding family before scholarship funds can be distributed.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

**The deadline for this application to be received by
Wholeness Ministries International, Inc. is 11:59 p.m. (PST) on August 5, 2026.**