



Cooperative Baptist  
Fellowship

## CBF Leadership Scholarship 2015-16 Application Instructions

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship will award scholarships to Baptist students currently enrolled in one of the fifteen schools of the CBF Consortium of Theological Schools. The administration of the involved schools will recommend these scholars based on the application of the students and the belief that the students selected represent the best possible potential local ministry leaders for the mission and the ministry of CBF.

**Students selected for the CBF Leadership Scholarship should ideally meet the following qualifications:**

- Demonstrate a deep commitment and ongoing relationship with Christ,
- Clearly identify with CBF or espouse core values of CBF,
- Demonstrate actions and activities that complement the mission and purpose of CBF,
- Demonstrate a desire to pursue high quality scholarship,
- Show leadership potential within CBF missions and ministry, and
- Be actively pursuing training for ministry that complements the mission and purpose of CBF.

**Students who receive the CBF Leadership Scholarship are expected to:**

- Pursue a seminary degree full-time each semester while funded (funds are provided \$2000 for Fall semester and \$2000 for Spring semester and are not available for summer or interim period coursework);
- Attend General Assembly (or other nationally sponsored event if approved in advance – i.e., ChurchWorks, Advocacy in Action, SelahVie) - \$1000 travel stipends are provided for travel only if student attends approved meeting;
- Represent CBF on campus and in local churches;
- Assist in planning and organization of CBF Day on campus with CBF staff members;
- Submit blogs highlighting your experiences in seminary or within the context of your ministry setting (suggested frequency: 1 per year); and
- Become involved in state and regional CBF organizations as appropriate.

**Do you hereby acknowledge these requirements? Yes\_\_\_ No \_\_\_**

**Signature of Applicant\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Instructions for Student:**

Review additional guidelines for Truett Seminary (next page).

Complete and return this application to **Scholarship Services (Room 316), George W. Truett Theological Seminary by or before May 1st deadline.** Please contact 254-710-6086 if you have any questions.

**The following materials should be included in the packet provided to Scholarship Services:**

1. The completed & signed application forms including any questionnaire information on additional sheets.
2. Photograph of applicant.
3. Three completed reference forms: one reference from a professor, one reference from your local church, and one personal reference, which are to be in sealed envelopes with the recommender's signature across the sealed flap as an indication of confidentiality.
4. Official copies of transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate schools you have attended.



# BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

## **TRUETT SEMINARY - CBF LEADERSHIP SCHOLAR GUIDELINES**

### **AWARD**

CBF Scholarship awards \$4,000 per academic year (\$2,000 paid in each of the Fall and Spring semesters). These funds are additional to the Truett scholarship.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

This scholarship is open to students enrolled in the M.Div. and M.A.C.M. programs with preference to M.Div. students.

Applicants must be current students  
who have earned a minimum of 16 seminary hours at Truett

OR

who have earned a minimum of 9 hours at Truett AND transferred at least 9 hours from a college or seminary prior to attending Truett.

### **COURSELOAD REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants must be fulltime students (minimum course load of 9 hours) for each of the fall and spring semesters in the year for which they are applying.

**SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS:** The exception to this is (1) a student who is fulltime for the fall semester and graduating in December OR (2) a student who is fulltime for the fall semester and part-time for the spring semester. Applicants, both new and renewing, who meet these two exceptions, are eligible to receive funding only for the fall semester. However, scholarship award nominations are at the discretion of the Truett scholarship committee. Final scholarship awards are at the discretion of CBF, as are decisions regarding invitation to CBF assembly.

### **EVENT REQUIREMENTS**

Recipients must attend CBF General Assembly in June following the year of award or as required by CBF. Recipients are highly encouraged to attend optional events sponsored by CBF. It is the recipient's responsibility to access and submit an event evaluation for all events attended. The form is available on the Truett Scholarship website and should be submitted to Gear Howard at [Gear\\_Howard@baylor.edu](mailto:Gear_Howard@baylor.edu). Event evaluation forms must be submitted within one month after attending the CBF event.

### **SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL**

Recipients of the CBF Leadership Scholarship desiring to continue this scholarship must submit a Renewal Application in each subsequent year.

Recipients with any lapse in program must submit a new application to be reconsidered for this award.

The CBF Scholarship is awarded on two-semester basis. Renewal is not guaranteed but you may apply to renew the scholarship for an additional 2 semesters if you meet all renewal application guidelines and maintain your leadership in ministry. The *maximum number* of semesters that a student may receive this scholarship is four semesters.



## CBF LEADERSHIP SCHOLARS

### APPLICATION Cooperative Baptist Fellowship 2015-2016 Scholarship

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**Please Print/Type:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Preferred First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address at School

Permanent Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone

Home/Alternate Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Personal (Permanent) E-mail  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Alternate E-mail  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of your hometown and state \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of home church \_\_\_\_\_  
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Describe the relationship of the church to the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Seminary or Divinity School in which enrolled \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Program \_\_\_\_\_

Entering Date \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of Ministry Interest:

\_\_\_\_\_

If you would like information on Student.Go (mission/advocacy internship) or congregational internships, check here: \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no

**Complete the following information for all undergraduate and graduate schools you have attended (please include all transcripts with application):**

College/University	City/State	Major/Minor	Degree Earned	Date

**Please attach a resume outlining the following involvement:**

- Extracurricular activities, including leadership positions
- Community service
- Honors/achievements
- Church ministry involvement
- Employment history

**Please answer the following essay questions on separate sheets of paper (please type):**

1. Describe your personal sense of calling to ministry.
2. Name a minister/lay/missions mentor and explain why you hold this person in high esteem.
3. Describe what you understand to be the theological principles and core values of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship.
4. Describe your personal relationship to, or knowledge of, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship and what, if any, participation or involvement you and your church have with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship.
5. What about the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship attracts you to the extent that you are applying for a CBF Leadership Scholarship?
6. How do your vocational objectives complement the mission and purpose of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship as you understand them?
7. As a CBF Leadership Scholar, how will you embody the mission and purpose of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship in the coming years?



## Professor Recommendation Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Leadership Scholarship

This recommendation is for the confidential use of the administration of the school which the student is attending and the CBF Resource Center. This information will not be shared with the applicant. Please place the completed reference in an envelope, seal it and sign across the sealed flap as an indication of confidentiality. Give the reference to the applicant who is responsible for returning all materials to the administration at the school they plan to attend.

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Professor's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known applicant? \_\_\_\_\_ Has applicant discussed vocational call with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Please compare the applicant to other students seeking theological education that you have taught during the last five years. Please be honest. No applicant is expected to excel in every category.

	no evidence to judge	below average*	average top 50%	good top 25%	very good top 15%	excellent top 10%	out- standing top 2-3%
<b>Emotional stability</b>							
<b>Interpersonal skills</b>							
<b>Disciplined work habits</b>							
<b>Ability to think theologically</b>							
<b>Awareness of the world</b>							
<b>Tolerance of the viewpoints of others</b>							
<b>Perseverance in long-term commitments</b>							
<b>Creativity</b>							
<b>Compassion</b>							
<b>Leadership</b>							
<b>Maturity of character</b>							
<b>Commitment to the church</b>							

How do the vocational objectives of the applicant compliment the mission and purpose of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship as you understand them?

\*Please use the back of this form (or an extra sheet) to comment on any ratings you made in these categories and to share any knowledge you have of unusual circumstances that may negatively or positively impact the financial need of the applicant for the upcoming academic year. Thank you for your assistance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature



## Church Leader Recommendation Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Leadership Scholarship

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Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Church Leader's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known applicant? \_\_\_\_\_ Has applicant discussed vocational call with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Please compare the applicant to other students seeking theological education that you have known during the last five years. Please be honest. No applicant is expected to excel in every category.

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Signature



## Personal Recommendation Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Leadership Scholarship

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Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Relationship to Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known applicant? \_\_\_\_\_ Has applicant discussed vocational call with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Please compare the applicant to others seeking theological education that you have known during the last five years. Please be honest. No applicant is expected to excel in every category.

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Signature