

# The Bishop John R. Sheets Scholarship

## For the Master of Arts in Theology

Through the generosity of the Jesuit community and Creighton University, additional financial assistance is available for students pursuing the Master of Arts in Theology. The amount of assistance is limited, ranging from 10% to 25% of the cost of tuition per semester. There is no guarantee that all applicants will receive aid in a given semester. Award of Sheets Scholarships will be made based on the criteria/ qualifications listed below, with emphasis on financial need.

**Qualifications:** You must. . .

- \*be accepted as a degree-seeking student in the graduate program in theology;
- \*be preparing for or seeking to enhance your current ministry in the Church;
- \*demonstrate financial need based on the information requested on this application;
- \*be in good academic standing as a graduate student (not on academic probation);
- \*be registered for courses totaling a minimum of three semester hours.

In order to be considered for a Sheets Scholarship, you must complete this form in its entirety every semester for which you need financial assistance.

**Application Deadlines:**   **July 1** for Fall Semester  
  **December 1** for Spring Semester  
  **May 1** for Summer Session

Please note: No applications submitted AFTER the deadlines will be considered.

**Notification:** The information on this form will be kept confidential. Decisions will be made approximately three weeks after the application deadline. The scholarship selection committee will email you their decision on your application.

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To be considered for financial assistance from the Sheets Scholarship Fund, please provide ALL of the following information. (Please PRINT clearly.)

This application is for (check one):  
      \_\_\_ Fall    \_\_\_ Spring    \_\_\_ Summer (Term \_\_\_)                    in year 20\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Soc. Sec. #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### I. Ministry Status

Please provide information on your intended use of the degree. That is, in what ministry are you currently serving the Church or will you serve in the future? If currently serving, what is your current employment status – full time, part time, or volunteer?

Please provide the name and phone of your current supervisor at your place of ministry.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**II. Financial Need**

**Income, Earnings, and Benefits (Current Year)**

**Yearly Totals Only**

Your gross income from work \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Your spouse's gross income from work \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other **taxable** income (i.e., interest, dividend, alimony) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Untaxed** income and benefits (Social Security, ADC, child support, disability) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Asset Information**

**Current Worth**

Cash, savings, checking \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Home Equity \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other real estate & investments (do not include value of retirement Plans, IRAs, pensions, annuities, Keogh plans) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Business and/or farm equity \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Assets: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuition Assistance**

Do you receive assistance with any costs associated with your education program from an employer or other source?  yes  no

If yes, please explain and give amount of assistance you receive.

**Current Number of Dependents**

Please add any further information (e.g., regarding significant debts) that you feel contributes to your need for this additional financial assistance.

**III.** My current GPA is \_\_\_\_\_ OR I am a new student this semester \_\_\_\_\_.

**IV. Courses for which I am registered/ing (# and title):**

Aid Amount Requested: (10-25%)

- 1.) \_\_\_\_\_ %
- 2.) \_\_\_\_\_ %
- 3.) \_\_\_\_\_ %

I certify that the above information is complete and accurate.

\_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature Date

Please return completed application by deadline to:  
 Richard Miller  
 Director, Graduate Studies in Theology  
 Creighton University  
 2500 California Plaza  
 Humanities 125  
 Omaha, Nebraska 68178

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comments

\_\_\_\_\_ request for financial aid approved **in its entirety**

\_\_\_\_ request for financial aid approved **in part**

\_\_\_\_ request for financial aid denied

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Director of Graduate Studies

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date