



North GA GMC Certified Candidate Scholarship Application Form

North Georgia Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church

Applications are due September 15, 2026.

Scholarship Information

The North GA GMC Certified Candidate Scholarship supports individuals actively preparing for ordained ministry in the Global Methodist Church. This scholarship is intended to help **Candidates**, **Certified Candidates**, and **Ordained Deacons** who are enrolled in an approved **Course of Study** or **Graduate Degree Program** and are pursuing ordination within the GMC.

As you fill out the application, please include your total cost even if you have paid your tuition for this fall semester. Feel free to email scholarships@ngagmc.org with any questions. We encourage anyone enrolled in seminary classes or Course of Study to apply as soon as possible.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- Be a **Candidate**, **Certified Candidate** or an **Ordained Deacon** in the **North Georgia Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church**.
- Be enrolled in a **GMC-approved Course of Study** or **Graduate Degree Program**.
- Be actively pursuing **ordination** as an elder or deacon in the Global Methodist Church.

Application Instructions

Please complete all sections and submit the required documents via email by the stated deadline. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

SECTION 1: Personal & Ministry Information

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Current Church: _____

Appointment Status: _____

SECTION 2: Educational Background

Institution Enrolled: _____

Degree Program or Course of Study: _____

Total Cost for Fall 2026 Semester: _____

Expected Completion/Graduation Date: _____

SECTION 3: GMC Status

I am a:

- ☐ Certified Candidate/Candidate
- ☐ Ordained Deacon
- ☐ TLP (Transitional Local Pastor)

Date of Certification or Ordination: _____

District: _____

Advisor or Connectional Elder: _____

SECTION 4: Essay Questions (*Attach responses separately*)

Respond to **each** of the following in **300-500 words**:

1. Describe your call to ordained ministry.
 2. How is your education preparing you to serve as a pastor or deacon in the GMC?
 3. Share how your local church and ministry context have shaped your call and development.
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SECTION 5: References

Submit **two letters of recommendation** (for those who are not certified candidates, only a recommendation from a Pastor or Ministry Leader is required):

- One from your **Connectional Elder** or **Mentor**
- One from a **Pastor** or **Ministry Leader**

References should be sent directly by recommender to:

Rev. Debby Stikes, Chair, Application Review Team

Email: scholarships@ngagmc.org

SECTION 6: Certification

I certify that all information provided is accurate and complete. I understand that submitting false information will result in disqualification.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SUBMISSION: Checklist

Please ensure the following are included:

- ☐ Completed Application Form
- ☐ Essay Responses
- ☐ Two Reference Letters (sent directly by recommenders)
- ☐ Proof of Enrollment or Transcript

SUBMISSION: Instructions

Submit completed applications via email to:

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