



UNIVERSITY METHODIST  
CHURCH FOUNDATION

# University Methodist Church Foundation, San Antonio, Music Scholarship Application

**(for currently enrolled Music Majors)**

Thank you for your interest in the University Foundation Scholarship Program. It is our strong desire to encourage and support you as you pursue your university music education. Scripture tells us that God has laid the foundation of this earth so that we might grow in our personal relationship with Jesus Christ and glorify Him. We are each called to be disciples and to use our individual, God-given gifts and talents to further the Kingdom of God. Now as you move forward, we wish you God's richest blessings as you continue to grow in your faith journey.

In selecting recipients for the University Foundation's Walter and Anna Scott Music Scholarship, our goal is to meet the criteria of the Last Will and Testament of Anna Scott and to honor those with a scholarship award who:

- *Demonstrate a commitment to Christian leadership and witness through their chosen activities and demonstrated outstanding Christian character.*
- *Recognize God's work in their lives and share an exceptional desire to continue growing as Godly adults as they pursue their music education.*
- *Have completed at least 14 semester hours at an accredited college or university as a declared music major. Consideration will be given to the accepted music major disciplines of performance, education, sacred music, composition, history and literature, pedagogy, theory, therapy, marketing, industry and/or business with a GPA of a least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Preference will be given to music disciplines in performance and education.*
- *Demonstrate an interest and commitment in developing their gifts in one of the accepted music disciplines.*

To meet this goal, the scholarship committee will review your application based upon a whole person concept including the following criteria; academic potential, vocal and/or instrumental skills, music background and experience, leadership abilities, faith foundation, church and community service, letters of recommendation, financial need and the mission of representing University Methodist Church well at your college or university.

The application must not be altered in any way. If you have any questions, please contact **Laura Ames**, University Methodist Church office at (210) 696-1033, or by email at [lames@universitiesatx.org](mailto:lames@universitiesatx.org)

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

For Walter and Anna Scott Music Scholarships  
Granted by University Methodist Church Foundation Board | San Antonio TX

**THE INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT REQUESTING CONSIDERATION MUST CHECK THE BOX AT THE BOTTOM OF EACH PAGE. THIS WILL INDICATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE INFORMATION ON EACH PAGE. PLEASE RETURN ALL PAGES WITH YOUR APPLICATION.**

**APPLICATIONS THAT ARE INCOMPLETE OR ARE NOT RECEIVED BY THE DATE DUE CANNOT BE ACCEPTED FOR REVIEW. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY.**

### **ABOUT UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS:**

The Music Scholarship is administered by the University Methodist Church Foundation and is awarded through the Scholarship Committee (composed of Foundation Directors) of the University Foundation with various purposes and requirements. Student Ministry and Music Ministry may act as advisors to the University Foundation Scholarship Committee.

The applicant must be a University church member and have a declared academic music major(s) in Performance, Education, Sacred Music, Composition, History and Literature, Pedagogy, Theory, Therapy, Marketing, Industry and/or business at an accredited college or university. Preference will be given to music disciplines of performance and education.

Specific requirements are mandated by Anna Scott's Last Will and Testament. Applicant must have completed at least 14 semester hours with a GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Factors involved in evaluation of applicants include church relationship, academics, academic major, church and school leadership, church and community involvements, music background and experience, musical skills and training, letters of recommendation, stated commitment of the applicant and (if applicable) demonstrated financial need. The completeness and seriousness demonstrated by the application are also considered. All applications are reviewed by every member of the University Foundation Scholarship Committee (composed of Foundation Directors), who are appointed, by process, each year by the President of the University Foundation. All applicants' names are kept confidential and each applicant may be assigned an Alpha Code to maintain each applicant's confidentiality.

If there are any questions about this application or the application process, please do not hesitate to contact Laura Ames, University Foundation Administrative Assistant, at:

**University Methodist Church Foundation Board**  
**5084 De Zavala Road**  
**San Antonio, TX 78249-2025**  
**(210) 696-1033 email: [lames@universitiesatx.org](mailto:lames@universitiesatx.org)**

I have read and completed everything on this page

**ELIGIBILITY:**

- I. Scholarship awards will be awarded on a year-to-year basis, not to exceed a five-year program subject to each applicant re-applying and re-qualifying annually.
- II. Applicants shall be active members of University Methodist Church and active in a church near where they go to school.
- III. Applicants will be a full time student pursuing a music degree major in Music Performance, Education, Sacred Music, Composition, History and Literature, Pedagogy, Theory, Therapy, Marketing, Industry and/or Business at an accredited college or university. Preference will be given to qualified applicants in the music disciplines of performance and education.
- IV. Applicants will have demonstrated an acceptable academic performance (a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale with at least 14 semester hours). This requirement is for both initial applicants and returning applicants.
- V. Applicants will receive consideration regarding financial ability to afford university education and financial dependence upon such support.
- VI. Applicants will show support and involvement with music professionals (performance and/or music education) at the college/university and church level.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURES:**

Applications for scholarship grants for the current academic year are available beginning February from our website at <http://www.universitysatx.org>. **All applications must be received in the office of the Foundation, University Methodist Church no later than 10:00 am on Monday, April 6, 2026. Late or incomplete applications cannot be accepted.** If there are circumstances that do not allow the application to be completed by the deadline, the applicant may call the Foundation office for reconsideration of the deadline based upon unusual circumstances.

**AWARD PROCESS:**

Applicants will be notified by letter no later than **June 1** as to whether or not an award has been granted and the amount of any award. (If there are circumstances, such as matching grants, that require the notification of this award to be earlier than this date, please contact the Foundation office as soon as possible.)

Scholarship awards will be paid in late July. No awards are typically given for Summer or Mid-term studies. All awards are paid directly to the institution.

Scholarship awards are to be used only for "qualified tuition and related expenses" to aid in the pursuit of an applicant's studies at a qualified educational institution. In addition to qualified tuition, the scholarship grant may be used for fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses of instruction. It is not intended for any other use and related expenses do not include amounts for room and board, travel, research, clerical help, and other "incidental expenses." Scholarship awards should not be used to pay for tuition or other student expenses related to prior semesters or to satisfy payments due for outstanding student loans. An acknowledgment of the use of this scholarship award will be sent with the scholarship funds and should be signed and returned by the scholarship recipient.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR FIRST TIME APPLICANTS:

Each application must be accompanied by the following: (Please note that every required part of the application must be received in our office no later than 10 am, Monday, April 6, 2026.

- I. A recent photograph. A digital file is preferred. Please note hard copies will not be returned.
- II. High School transcript, including class rank and SAT and/or ACT scores.
- III. College/University transcript(s), including scores for the Graduate Record Exam or other similar testing requirements.
- IV. Three letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, or current/recent professors. At least one of the letters must verify your fulltime status and academic major. The recommendation letters should be on official letterhead and signed by the person recommending the applicant. Recommendation letters may be sent via email or Fax.
- V. A brief essay entitled "Why I would like to be considered for this University Scholarship." Please include your personal testimony of faith and spiritual walk with Christ. Essays should be between one (1) and (2) pages, typed, and double-spaced and signed at the bottom by the candidate. Please consider the seriousness of this application process when writing this essay.
- VI. All applicants will attach actual/official schedule of university tuition and fees the committee may consider for the award.
- VII. All applicants will need to validate from university officials any awards (scholarships, grants, gifts, etc.) received / to be received from other sources for their education/instruction/training at the university.
- VIII. All applicants will provide the name, telephone number and email address of the university financial official.
- IX. (Optional) If you feel that your financial circumstances should be reviewed as part of the application process, please include a copy of the completed current year's Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form or other similar standardized financial assessment form(s) available through college/university counselor's office or admissions office. The financial need analysis report will be reviewed only by the chair of the Scholarship Committee. Detailed information will be kept in strict confidence. (If this information is not included, the committee will assume that financial need is not a factor in your application for this scholarship.)
- X. All applicants will complete an interview with Director, Music Ministry, University Methodist Church. It is recommended the interview be completed at least two weeks prior to submission deadline.

**ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE HELD IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.**

**APPLICATIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY TO LAURA AMES AT [lames@universitiesatx.org](mailto:lames@universitiesatx.org) YOU WILL ATTACH THIS APPLICATION, YOUR ESSAY AND A PHOTOGRAPH. HARD COPIES OF TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE BY THE DEADLINE.**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR RETURNING APPLICANTS:**

Each application must be accompanied by the following: (Please note that every required part of the application must be received in our office no later than 10 am, Monday, April 6, 2026.

- I. A recent photograph. A digital file is preferred. Please note hard copies will not be returned.
- II. An essay not to exceed two pages on what you learned in your previous year of study that further commits you to a career in your chosen music field.
- III. Transcript of courses completed in the year prior or courses in process. If this is your final year of music education, please detail completion date and work load that defines a full year or partial year.
- IV. List any awards by amount (scholarships, grants, gifts, etc) not detailed in previous applications.
- V. Please provide detail as to whether you are a full time or part time student, and how many credit hours you are enrolled in.
- VI. Go to Page 5 and complete Part A 1-10, Part B 26-32, Part C 35-43, and Part F 45-46, along with the essay in reference to number II above.

**PLEASE READ THE PRECEDING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE BEGINNING**

The completed application can be submitted online to Laura Ames and [lames@universitiesatx.org](mailto:lames@universitiesatx.org) or in a sealed envelope addressed to:

Attn: Foundation Board Scholarship Committee  
 University Methodist Church Foundation San Antonio  
 5084 De Zavala Road  
 San Antonio TX 78249-2025

**PART A****PERSONAL INFORMATION**

1.) Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

2.) Student Identification Number used by College/University \_\_\_\_\_

3.) Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

4.) City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

5.) Mailing Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

6.) City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

7.) Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

8.) Email \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

9.) Age \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Dependents \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

10.) Your Church Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Date Joined \_\_\_\_\_

11.) Are you a dependent on your parent or guardian's tax return?  yes  no

*If YES, please continue; If NO, you may skip to Question #17*

12.) Are parents/guardians members of University?  yes  no

if yes, Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

13.) Father's name, address and occupation

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

14.) Mother's name, address and occupation

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**15.) Names and ages of siblings**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

**16.) If any siblings are in college, where?** \_\_\_\_\_

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**17.) Employment History: By whom? Type of work? How long?** \_\_\_\_\_

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**18.) (If applicable) Spouse's name and occupation** \_\_\_\_\_

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**19.) What is your chosen vocation?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Why did you choose it?** \_\_\_\_\_

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**20.) How did you hear about this program?** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PART B**

**SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

21.) High School \_\_\_\_\_ Year graduated \_\_\_\_\_

22.) Honor/Advanced Placement classes \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

23) GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ ACT: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT: Writing \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal \_\_\_\_\_

24.) List, by year, recent extracurricular activities, organizations, offices, special recognitions, and honors received in high school: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

25.) Describe your participation in past and present church activities:  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

26.) College or University Last Attended \_\_\_\_\_

27.) Location \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

28.) Semester Last Enrolled \_\_\_\_\_

29.) GRE, GMAT, or other exam score, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_

30.) GPA \_\_\_\_\_ on a \_\_\_\_\_ scale. Class standing \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ students.

31.) List recent extracurricular activities, organizations, offices, special recognitions and honors received in college: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

32.) Describe your participation, by year, in church and community activities including music activities:  
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**PART C**

**FUTURE PLANS AND OTHER INFORMATION**

33.) What college/university do you plan to attend for the next school year \_\_\_\_\_

34.) Have you applied?  yes  no

b.) Have you been accepted?  yes  no

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Full time  yes  no

35.) Music Discipline of Study (check all that apply):

Performance  Education  Sacred Music  Composition  Conducting  History & Literature

Therapy  Pedagogy  Theory  Marketing  Industry  Business

36.) How will you be classified?  fresh  soph.  jr.  sr.  grad student

Year expected to graduate \_\_\_\_\_

37.) Name of degree sought \_\_\_\_\_

38.) List any additional degree(s) you plan to seek \_\_\_\_\_

39.) Estimate annual costs of your college:

Tuition \_\_\_\_\_

Room & Board \_\_\_\_\_

Fees \_\_\_\_\_

Books \_\_\_\_\_

Travel (if out of town) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Costs: \_\_\_\_\_

40. How do you plan to pay for college?

Student Loan \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Family Support \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Savings \$ \_\_\_\_\_

41. List grants or scholarships to which you have applied or that you have received or will receive for the coming school year (List source and amount of each award.) Indicate which ones are those for which you have only applied.

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42.) List music competitions entered, scores achieved and identify instrument or voice. \_\_\_\_\_

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43.) List music areas of private study, length of time and with whom and location. \_\_\_\_\_

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**PART E**

**ESSAY**

44.) In your own words, attach a typed essay of not more than two pages, double-spaced in response to this statement: "Why I would like to be considered for this University scholarship" (Please include your name on the essay.) Essays submitted electronically should be in PDF (preferred) or Microsoft Word format and attached via email with your application.

**PART F**

**OTHER INFORMATION**

45.) Is there any other information that you feel the committee should know that might help in considering your application? \_\_\_\_\_

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46.) Please list below the name, mailing address, telephone number and email address of the university financial office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Office Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Extension \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_