



**Guidelines for the
Theological Education Scholarship Fund for Women in the South
seeking a First Degree/Diploma in Theology in their home country or region**

1. Scholarships are to be available to women of any age pursuing a first degree/diploma in theology (Certificate, Diploma, and Bachelor of Divinity) towards ordained ministry.
2. Scholarships are to provide opportunities for studies within the home country or region.
3. Priority will be given to member churches with a low number of ordained women in the church.
4. Applicants must provide detailed statement of need, other funding sources, and information on institution/place of study.
5. Applicants must provide a budget: tuition fee, food and lodging, travel, books and other necessities.
6. Applicants must specify the period of studies.
7. The scholarship support is based upon need and covers partial or full costs.
8. Scholarships are granted on a year-to-year basis where continuation of support will depend upon performance of candidate. The scholarship holder is required to send academic reports annually to WCRC.
9. Consideration will be given to support the family at home, if necessary. Vacation trips home at the end of the academic year may be also taken into account.
10. Applications must be accompanied by an endorsement letter from the applicant's church (WCRC member church) and one personal reference letter.
11. 20% of the fund will be invested for further development of the Theological Education Scholarship Fund for Women in the South.
12. Scholarships are not to exceed 80% of available funds.
13. Selection of the applicants shall be decided by the General Secretary, Executive Secretary of the Department of Partnership of Women and Men; the Moderator and one member of the Network for Church Renewal, Justice and Partnership.

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