



Recipients of the BGCT MFA Scholarship must:



Name: _____ ID Number: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Permanent Phone: _____ College Phone: _____

College Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email:

Academic Year & Semester(s) applying for (Choose one below):

Summer: _____ Fall: _____ Winter: _____ Spring: _____

Classification: ___Freshman ___Sophomore ___Junior ___Senior ___Graduate

Major: _____ Specialization: _____

Minor: _____

for
full or part time undergraduates, affiliated with a local Baptist General Convention of Texas church who began receiving the BGCT MFA scholarship prior to this academic year.

o Semester/Year these required classes were completed or scheduled to be completed:

for full or
part time graduates, affiliated with a local Baptist General Convention of Texas church who began receiving the BGCT MFA Scholarship for Graduates prior to this academic year.

Required class:

- o I affirm that I am a ministry student committed to a career in vocational or bivocational church, denominational, or parachurch

Each undergraduate applicant will participate in an assessment and counseling program administered at the school in cooperation with the Office of Theological Education and the Office of Counseling and Psychological Services of the BGCT.

o _____ If you have not taken the Birkman, you must take it the next time it is given.

(circle all that apply) Pastorate, Music, Education, Youth, Children, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Chaplaincy, Christian Social Ministries, Christian Counseling, Teaching, Evangelism, Student (BSM), Other: _____

In the space below write (or type and attach to the application) an essay expressing how you continue to pursue your personal call to a career in vocational or bivocational church, denominational, or parachurch Christian ministry. Please be as specific as possible regarding the type of ministry you are pursuing and include events in your life during the past year that have helped to affirm and clarify this call.

In recognition of the divine call felt by those who minister, the Baptist General Convention of Texas (BGCT) provides financial assistance to students in Texas Baptist schools who are preparing for careers in church related vocational ministry.

Four participants are recognized in the Ministerial Financial Assistance Program (MFA) – the ministry who, responding to God's call, is set aside by a _____ which pools resources with cooperating churches and entrusts these resources to the _____ and partner _____.

1. _____ is the cause, result, and chief benefactor of the ministerial financial assistance program. Every effort should be put forth to help the student in the process of discerning God's perfect will for his or her life. Every effort should be made by the student to evidence a divine call to church related

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Ministerial Financial Assistance for Students Preparing for a Church-Related Vocation **Baptist General Convention of Texas**

Pastor or Church Leader and Student,

Each applicant to the Ministerial Financial Assistance program of the Baptist General Convention of Texas (BGCT), must **annually** reaffirm their call to church-related vocational ministry **and** furnish evidence, by way of written testimony of the pastor (or church leader) with, support of, and commitment to a local cooperating BGCT church.

The forms below (*student* and *pastor/church leader*) will provide the necessary evidence.

In providing this evidence, the church commits their support, along with other BGCT churches, to this ministry student.

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STUDENT INFORMATION SECTION

Name: _____ **Permanent Address:**
Street: _____
Email: _____ **City, State, Zip:** _____
Name of Church: _____ **Name of School:** _____

To be completed by STUDENT

During the preceding academic year I have been involved with, supportive of, and committed to the ministries of this BGCT church in the following ways:

Paid leadership responsibilities: _____

Volunteer leadership or service: _____

Other involvement or means of support: _____

Sign the following reaffirmation, give this form to your pastor or church leader to complete (pages 3-4), then return the completed forms along with any other materials required by your institution:

I hereby reaffirm my covenant with the churches, my sense of calling to a church-related vocation and my desire to continue to receive the Ministerial Financial Assistance provided by the churches of the Baptist General Convention of Texas; and I promise to remain in compliance with the requirements of the BGCT and this partner institution.

_____ **Date:** _____

To be completed by PASTOR OR CHURCH LEADER

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Position at Church _____

Telephone Number _____

Signature _____

Date _____

CHURCH INFORMATION SECTION

Church Name and Address

Name of Church: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Denominational Affiliations

Baptist association _____ City, State _____

Baptist state convention _____

Baptist affiliations, national _____

Signed: _____ Signed: _____