

# Straszheim Scholarship Directions

This scholarship was founded by Clara Belle Straszheim and her 5 children to honor the memory of Robert E. Straszheim. Robert E. Straszheim was a member of First United Methodist Church for over 50 years, in addition to numerous community organizations. He worked for the Department of Agriculture in its Purdue office until his retirement in 1970, when he was named a Professor Emeritus of Agriculture Statistics, until he passed away in 1992.

This application must be completed and submitted to the First United Methodist Church office. The application will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee of First United Methodist Church Foundation. Information contained herein will be treated confidentially.

## **Scholarship qualifications and conditions:**

- The recipient of the scholarship must be a student or applying to be a student at an accredited college, university or seminary which **will lead to a profession of full-time Christian ministry or community service work.**
- A former recipient of the scholarship may re-apply annually, up to three times.
- The student seeking the scholarship must fill out the application themselves.

Preference will be given to an applicant who has been active in the programs of the Wesley Foundation at Purdue and/or West Lafayette First United Methodist Church.

In addition to the form below, please provide a transcript of grades for at least your previous 3 semesters (Fall 2015 through Fall 2016) of academic work (high school or college) as either a screen-shot or a scan of the transcript – please email these and the form below to [foundation@fumcwl.org](mailto:foundation@fumcwl.org).

Applications that do not follow these directions will not be eligible for consideration.

If you have been active at a church or ministry for the past 3 years, please also request that your pastor(s) of the last 3 years send a quick (roughly 80 words) email or letter of recommendation to us, focusing on how you have been active at your church(es). If they send an email, please ask that they send it to [foundation@fumcwl.org](mailto:foundation@fumcwl.org) with the subject line, "Straszheim Letter of Recommendation for (your name)". They may also mail it to FUMC 1700 State Road 26 West. West Lafayette, IN 47906.

In your application, please let us know what pastor you are asking, and what email and/or phone number to best reach them at to check in and clarify anything in case they are having difficulties.

We will acknowledge receipt of your application within 3 days. Please double-check your address and re-send it if we do not. We will let you know two weeks and one week before the deadline whether or not we have received at least one of your pastors' letters of recommendation.

The deadline for receipt of your application and letter of recommendation is April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Submissions received after the deadline will not be eligible.

# Straszheim Scholarship Application

Please type your full legal name as an electronic signature, and send this application to [foundation@fumcwl.org](mailto:foundation@fumcwl.org)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (signature), do agree on \_\_\_\_\_ (date) to complete the application below with honesty regarding everything, especially my grades and activities, in accordance with the qualifications and conditions above:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Best Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Purdue Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Backup Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Phys. addr. until May: \_\_\_\_\_ Phys. addr. after May: \_\_\_\_\_

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What degree are you seeking?

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What do you plan to do after you have accomplished that degree? (100 words or less, please)

What are you doing now (classes, courses, volunteer activities, jobs) that will help you in this plan?

What are you doing for fun and recreation?

What church(es) or ministries have you been active in for the past 3 years? What have you been active in, including volunteer positions, small groups, worship, etc?

Church: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's email: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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What other volunteer activities, groups, teams or jobs have you been active in for the past 3 years?

Please list any offices you've held in any activities, groups or teams: