

# STATEMENT OF COOPERATION

## GUIDELINES/REQUIREMENTS FOR BGCT MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Howard Payne University and the Baptist General Convention of Texas are cooperating to provide financial assistance to those students who are preparing for careers in Ministry. The amount of this scholarship is \$750.00 per semester for all students who are taking at least 12 hours and are classified as freshman or sophomore status, \$1125.00 for all students who are taking at least 12 hours, are Christian Studies majors or minors, and are classified as junior or senior status. Guidelines for receiving the scholarship have been set by the Christian Education Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

### I. REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIAL PARTICIPATION

- A. Declare intentions to clarify a calling and seek the support, help and guidance of the University.
- B. Make a public commitment to career ministry.
- C. Apply for admission to the Ministerial Tuition Aid Program of the Baptist General Convention of Texas through HPU.
- D. Furnish the university with evidence of a call to ministry in the form of a license, certificate of ordination, or a statement of certification from a cooperating Baptist church. Each Spring semester thereafter a Church Certification Renewal Form is required to be completed by a church cooperating with the Baptist General Convention of Texas.
- E. Furnish evidence of a personal call to ministry by means of verbal and written testimony.
- F. Provide a letter of recommendation and support from the pastor of a cooperating Baptist church.
- G. Participate in a testing and counseling program administered at the university through the In-Service Guidance Office of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

### II. REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- A. Demonstrate a lifestyle of commitment to the principles of the Christian life on and off campus.
- B. Furnish evidence by a LOCAL minister of a church cooperating with the Baptist General Convention of Texas church verifying student's attendance at and support for the LOCAL church.
- C. Provide written reaffirmation of a sense of call to ministry, and a desire to continue to receive ministerial tuition aid assistance.
- D. Be an active member of the Ministerial Alliance which includes payment of \$10.00 per semester dues and various activities. [**attendance of meetings REQUIRED**, \_\_\_\_\_, campus service activities, mission trips and church and community service] **Initial above**
- E. Make progress toward a degree program of the university while maintaining a satisfactory academic standing.
- F. Comply with any additional requirements or policies of the university or the BGCT. This includes taking the following courses: CED/PTH/YMN 1100 INTRO. TO MINISTRY, BIB/PTH 4391 BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION, CCS/CED/PTH/YMN 3200 SUPERVISED MINISTRY, MUS 4207, SUPERVISED MUSIC MINISTRY, (music ministry students) PTH 3311 BAPTIST IDENTITY, and PTH 4300 CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE AND WILL COOPERATE FULLY IN THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS, FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS WILL RESULT IN THE FORFEITURE OF THE MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIP.

DATE

SIGNATURE

STUDENT ID #

CLASSIFICATION