

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - IOWA CITY, IOWA
SUNIER SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant must be a current participant in the First Christian Church in Iowa City, Iowa (or have parents who are participants in the congregation).
2. Applicant must enroll for at least two semester hours of credit in English Language literature or poetry each semester as a full-time student in college or university. Required Rhetoric or freshman English composition courses 10:1, 10:2, 10:3, 10:4 will not be considered. On the next page is a list of courses that have qualified in the past as an example of the courses that the committee would consider acceptable.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

First Time Applicant

1. *Complete the application form. Please type or print in ink.*
2. *Submit a photocopy of official description of literature or poetry course from University / College catalog.*
3. *Submit verification of current enrollment (registration).*
4. *Type an essay of approximately 1,000 well-chosen words. Topic: Describe the strengths and weakness of your favorite author or poet.*
5. *Submit two (2) letters of recommendation from significant adults, such as hometown minister, teacher, or employer.*

Repeat Applicant

1. *Complete the application form. Please type or print in ink.*
2. *Submit a photocopy of official description of literature or poetry course from University / College catalog.*
3. *Submit verification of current enrollment (registration).*
4. *Type an essay of 500 to 1,000 well-chosen words. Topic: Evaluate previously funded literature / poetry course.*
5. *Submit transcript showing grade of previous class.*

APPLICATION DEADLINES

All application materials must be submitted **on or before Monday, April 3, 2023** to:

Sunier Scholarship Committee
First Christian Church
900 Lincolnshire Place
Coralville, Iowa 52241

Only completed applications submitted by the dates given will be considered.

SELECTION

1. A scholarship committee appointed by the church board will review all applications and select the recipients.
2. The committee will take the following factors into consideration during the selection process:
 - a. *educational goals;*
 - b. *character of applicant;*
 - c. *grade point average;*
 - d. *letters of recommendation;*
 - e. *involvement in the life of First Christian Church;*
 - f. *performance on the essay;*
 - g. *need.*

The above are not listed in order of importance.
3. A personal interview with the scholarship committee may be required.

AWARDS

1. Individual scholarships will be awarded each academic semester.
2. Scholarship recipients will be announced within a month after deadlines.
3. Scholarships will be cash awards and may be used by recipients as they wish.

EXAMPLE OF COURSES THAT HAVE QUALIFIED IN THE PAST

Chaucer
Shakespeare
Milton
Literature for Children I
Literature and Culture of the Renaissance
Literature and Culture of 18th Century England
Literature and Culture of America before 1800
Honors Proseminar - The Anti-Lyric
Afro-American Literature
Literature of the Theater
Seminar in Medieval Literature
Introduction to Dramatic Literature
American Literature Interpretation
of Literature Masterpieces of
English Literature American
Literary Classics
Modern British and American Poetry
English Novel Scott to Butler