The goal of the scholarship program at Montana Bible College is to provide funds to returning students whose heart for God, long-term commitment to ministry, academic performance, and financial need warrant assistance from the College. Students who receive scholarship funds from MBC should compel the College to invest in their lives. We believe strongly in the personal responsibility of each student to plan for and be able to pay the cost of choosing to be a student. Further, we believe that graduates should not be hindered from fulfilling the ministry to which God has called them because of the burden of college debts; therefore, MBC is committed to providing quality education at an affordable cost. Since MBC’s tuition only covers a portion of its operating expenses, this education is possible because God has placed generosity in the hearts of individuals, churches, and alumni who believe in the eternal value of Bible college education. These people are passing on a trust to our students because they expect God to do great things through them.

MBC does not accept any direct or indirect federal financial aid. Why? The cost of administering Title IV funding in small schools like MBC is greater than the funds students would receive from federal financial aid. More significantly than the pragmatic reason, accepting student loans can create an unhealthy institutional dependence on money that may not always be there, and loans become a significant burden and hindrance to ministering where God wants His people. Montana Bible College wants God to receive the glory for assisting our students in their education! Thus, MBC offers scholarships based on the funds available for students who meet the following criteria:

**Scholarship Eligibility**

The following are requirements for students seeking to receive scholarship funds from Montana Bible College.

- Except for the MBC Matching Scholarships, only returning MBC students (at least sophomore standing) may receive internal scholarship funds.
  - Students coming to MBC who have never attended any other college are not yet eligible for internal MBC scholarships. These students should plan to finance their first year at MBC from their own savings and earnings and through financial assistance from their parents, supporting church scholarships (see below) and external scholarship opportunities such as local community scholarships.
  - Students who transfer to MBC from another institution of biblical higher education must be of sophomore standing and must successfully complete one full-time semester at MBC to be eligible for scholarship funds through the College.
  - This is an opportunity for students to manifest their commitment to responsible stewardship and a time for the College to gain valuable insight into the character of new students in order to determine their eligibility for scholarship funds.
- Students must be enrolled full-time (at least 12 credits each semester) toward the completion of either the one-year Certificate in Biblical Studies or the B.A. in Biblical Studies degree program. Dropping below full-time status at any point during the semester will make a student ineligible for scholarship funds. Any funds awarded to a student who does not maintain full-time status may be revoked, and the College may expect the student to pay back the awarded funds.
- Students must demonstrate Christ-like character both on and off campus.
Students must maintain GPA requirements. (General requirements are to maintain at least a 2.0. Additional GPA requirements exist for individual scholarships.) Students must complete MBC's Comprehensive Scholarship Application.

Montana Bible College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national/ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship programs, or other school-administered programs.

Supporting Church Scholarships

MBC Matching Scholarship – MBC anticipates that all students will apply to their home church for a scholarship to assist in managing the costs of attending college. A person’s home church is normally very supportive of ministry training for one of its own students. MBC has made available an introductory letter for students to present to their churches. The letter outlines the College’s philosophy of ministry and financial aid. This may be a very helpful resource for a student seeking the assistance of his or her home church. Please contact the MBC office for a copy of this letter. MBC will match any scholarships from a student's home church up to $250 dollars per year. This matching grant is available to new students and renewable on an annual basis for up to four years based on the church's continued support (the church is invited to give as much as it can). Students must be enrolled full-time. There is no formal application form for students to complete.

Need-based Scholarships

MBC Aid Scholarship – This scholarship is available to returning students of at least sophomore standing who demonstrate financial need and maintain minimum academic requirements. The amount of this scholarship will vary with individual financial need and budgetary availability. Students may apply for this scholarship each year by yearly resubmission of the MBC Comprehensive Scholarship Application. Awarded both fall and spring semesters. Deadline: June 15th.

Merit-based Scholarships

Elizabeth O'Rear Memorial Scholarship - In memory of Elizabeth O'Rear, the O'Rear family has graciously provided a scholarship in the amount of $1,000 ($500 per semester). In order to be eligible for this scholarship, the applicant must be a returning student of junior or senior standing, have and maintain at least a 3.25 GPA, and currently be involved in ministry with plans to pursue vocational ministry after graduation. To be considered for this scholarship, a completed MBC Comprehensive Scholarship Application is due April 15. This scholarship is awarded to one student for the following school year. The scholarship is presented annually at MBC’s graduation ceremony.

Ron Ward and Founders Memorial Scholarship – In memory of Ron Ward, one of the founders of Montana Bible College, MBC has designated a scholarship fund in his name. This scholarship in the amount of $500 ($250 per semester) is awarded to returning students who demonstrate servant-hearted leadership, love for God’s people, and a passion to serve Him in ministry. The amount and number of Ron Ward Memorial Scholarships will correspond to the growth of the fund. To be considered for this scholarship, a completed MBC Comprehensive Scholarship Application is due April 15. The scholarship is presented annually at MBC’s graduation ceremony.

Chamberlin Greek Scholarship - Funded by the Chamberlin family, this scholarship is available each fall that Greek III is taught. In order to be eligible for this scholarship, the applicant must have passed both Greek I and II with at least a 2.0 GPA and be enrolled in Greek III with the intent to take Greek IV.
This scholarship is awarded based on the student's interest in pursuing the Greek language and demonstration of financial need. This scholarship is currently awarded to one student every other fall semester. To be considered for this scholarship, a completed MBC Comprehensive Scholarship Application is due April 15. The scholarship is presented at MBC’s graduation ceremony.

**MBC Rural Shepherd Scholarship** - Supporters of rural ministry have made this scholarship available at Montana Bible College for the student who demonstrates servant-hearted leadership and a passion to serve in rural ministry. The student must be at least junior standing, be in the pastoral concentration, maintain a 3.0 grade point average, and have a heart and focus for rural pastorates. This tuition-only scholarship of $1,000 ($500 per semester) may be given to a student less than full-time if the student meets the other criteria and is pursuing the pastorate in a rural ministry. To be considered for this scholarship, a completed MBC Comprehensive Scholarship Application is due April 15. The scholarship is presented annually at MBC’s graduation ceremony.

**Scholarship Awards and Notification**

Students may be awarded more than one scholarship, but up to no more than 50% of tuition costs unless otherwise stated. External scholarships will not be calculated into this maximum. Awards will be made in a timely manner following the application deadline. All scholarship applicants will be notified in writing regarding the award amount.

**Applying for Scholarships**

You may use the following form to apply for all MBC scholarships. Please note you must attach a copy of your tax return in order for your application to be complete. If you were not required to file, and did not file, you must provide a letter of explanation.

1. Please use a pen to answer all of the following questions.
2. Please note you must attach a copy of your tax return in order for your application to be complete. If you were not required to file, and did not file, you must provide a letter of explanation.
3. Please include explanations of any information that is unusual on the last page.
4. If you have questions, please call 406.586.3585 or 888.462.2463.
5. Please sign and returned completed application to:

   Montana Bible College  
   Business Office  
   3625 S. 19th Avenue  
   Bozeman, MT 59718
MBC Comprehensive Scholarship Application

Name ________________________________________________________________

Last          First           Middle

Address _______________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip ___________________________________________ Phone __________

Program of Study:  _____ Certificate in Biblical Studies

 _____ B.A. in Biblical Studies

Concentration:   _____ General Ministry   _____ Pastoral    _____ Missions

 _____ Ethics & Culture   _____ Biblical Counseling   _____ Outdoor Discipleship

Class (currently in or will be in the Fall):  _____ Sophomore (33-64 credits)  _____ Junior (65-96 credits)

 _____ Senior (97 or more credits)   Current GPA: ____________

Financial Information:

Single         Married         Number of children: _______

________________________ Your current cash assets. Include the total of all of your checking

accounts, savings accounts, bonds, stocks, cash, certificates of deposit, and other liquid assets.

________________________ Your adjusted gross income from last year’s taxes.

A copy of your most recent tax return must be included with this application.
If you did not file a tax return, you must submit a letter of explanation.

________________________ Parental support (if you are a dependent on your parents’ tax return) anticipated.

________________________ G.I. benefits income for the school year (12 months).

________________________ Amount of financial assistance you expect to get from other sources. Do not count

any value of living at home in the summer. This amount should include tax refunds,
investment income, social security, and/or disability, financial support from church,
friends, family (other than parents), non-MBC scholarships, etc.

________________________ Total debts

Student loans _______

Credit card debts _______ (balance carried forward)

Medical bills _______

Vehicle loans _______

Home mortgage _______

Other (describe) _______ ________________________________

________________________ Monthly rent or mortgage payment (please only include your obligation)
Please use the space below to provide us with any additional financial information that you believe would help you qualify for financial assistance.

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Chamberlin Greek Scholarship Information
Skip this section if not applying for this scholarship.

Passed Greek II (semester and year) ______________________

Yes / No I will be taking Greek III and IV this year.

Future Plans to use Greek in your ministry:

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Elizabeth O’Rear Memorial Scholarship
Ron Ward and Founders Memorial Scholarship
Rural Shepherd Scholarship

Please provide the following information if you would like to be considered for these scholarships.

Ministry Information:
Please tell us about any ministries in which you have been involved in the past 2 years. Include the type of ministry (whether inside the church such as AWANA, Sunday school teacher, or outside the church such as Bible camp, short term mission trip, or nursing home ministry, etc.), how many hours per week you spent in each ministry, and the length of time you participated in the ministry.

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Please describe your current ministry responsibilities:

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Please describe your future ministry plans:

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Who has served as your discipler at Montana Bible College? ______________________________

Please provide the name and contact information of a ministry colleague, supervisor, or mentor outside of MBC as a reference. ____________________________________________________________

Please use the space below for explaining any section in this application that needs further clarification.

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By signing this form, I affirm that all information on this form and any attachments are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide documentation to support the information I have provided on this form.

Student Signature: ____________________________ Date: __________________

Application Checklist (Please check ALL the boxes that apply):

☐ I have answered all the applicable questions in their entirety.
☐ I have attached a copy of my most recent tax return OR Letter of explanation as to why I was not required to (and did not) file a tax return this past tax year.
☐ I have signed, dated and returned this application by ________________.
☐ I made a copy of this completed application for my records.