

THE MCDOWELL THEOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT 2010

Through the generosity of Dr Gordon McDowell, a former principal of Avondale, a trust fund has been established to provide financial assistance in the form of scholarships to theology students at Avondale. Applicants must be able to demonstrate eligibility on the basis of need. The number and amount of scholarships may vary from year to year depending on the funds released from the trust fund. In 2009 up to four first-year scholarships valued at \$1500 per year may be awarded for the remainder of the course. In addition, up to four scholarships valued at \$1500 per year may be awarded to second-, third-, or fourth- year students for each year of the remainder of the course. One-off grants of up to \$1500 may also be awarded.

ELIGIBILITY

Any Australian or New Zealand student applying for or enrolled in either in an undergraduate or graduate diploma in ministry and/or theology in 2010.

CONDITIONS

1. Applicants must:
 - i) maintain full-time enrolment in a course approved for this scholarship.
 - ii) demonstrate competence in meeting ministerial placement requirements.
2. There is no residential requirement.

CRITERIA

1. Applicant must be a baptised member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and actively involved in his/her local congregation.
2. Applicants must be able to demonstrate financial need.
3. Applicants must be permanent residents of Australia or New Zealand.
4. Scholarships are granted on the condition that a student undertakes 24 credit points (4 subjects) per semester.
5. Continuance of the scholarship is contingent upon passing all subjects. The scholarship will be suspended for the semester following the failure of any subject, and then may be reinstated following the semester in which all subjects are passed.
6. Scholarships cannot be redeemed for cash, in whole or in part.
7. Applicants must have already obtained admission into Avondale College in order for the scholarship to be granted.
8. Applicants may only benefit from one Avondale College scholarship in any one year.
9. All recipients should be of good standing in the community. Scholarships or part thereof may be revoked at the discretion of the Discipline Committee, where the recipient brings the name of Avondale into disrepute.
10. In some cases Avondale will contact a person who knows you well; please provide the name and phone number of a person, such as a school teacher, pastor or employer, who is willing to provide a character reference for you.

DEFERRAL

1. Scholarships may not be deferred for the first year of study.
2. Students wishing to defer in subsequent years must submit a written request for deferral to the McDowell Theology Scholarship Management Committee, indicating the reason/s for requesting a deferral.
3. The scholarship may only be deferred for one year.

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:

Gender: Birth date: Citizenship:

Address:

..... Phone:

Marital Status: Never Married Married Divorced/Separated

Spouse Name: Maiden name:
Given names

Spouse Birth Date: Spouse Citizenship:.....

Dependant Children:

Given Name	Gender	Year of Birth

CHURCH RELATIONSHIP

How long have you been a practising Christian?

Give a brief account of your Christian experience and conversion:

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Give your own definition of a Christian:

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Are you a baptised member of the SDA Church? No Yes - baptism date:

Are you an active participant in your local SDA church program? No Yes

What church offices do you currently hold?

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Name the church where you are a member

Minister's name

.....Phone

Minister's address

How often do you attend church?

Weekly

3-4 times a month

1-2 times a month

Less than once a month

In what capacities have you served in your church?

How do you relate to Adventist religious and cultural lifestyle issues?

What has inspired you to seek to be a minister in the Seventh-day Adventist church?

CHURCH RELATIONSHIP

Provide reasons why you believe that you would be eligible for the McDowell Theology Scholarship.:

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REFEREES (please give the name, address and phone number of two persons willing to supply a reference on your behalf)

Referee 1: Name: Position:.....

Phone: email:

Referee 2: Name: Position:

Phone: email:

Please add any other information that you consider may be relevant to your application or factors that you feel might be helpful to the McDowell Theology Scholarship Management Committee. Your comments relating to personal issues will be kept within the confidence of this committee unless you specify narrower limitations. If you do not wish this information to form part of our personnel record please submit the information in a separate letter.

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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Award	Institution / School	Year Awarded

FINANCIAL SITUATION

Are you currently the recipient of an Avondale College scholarship? Yes No

Please attach financial details in order to substantiate your financial position.

I agree that the information provided above is accurate and complete in all respects:

Applicant's signature: Date:

APPLICATION AND OFFER PROCESS

Scholarship Applications close on 26 February 2010

Applications will be processed early March and the scholarship will be awarded during March.

If you have not already done so, please complete a general application form for admission into Avondale College. Scholarships will only be awarded to those students who have applied and been admitted to Avondale.

DELIVER OR POST APPLICATION TO

Avondale Scholarship Officer
Avondale College
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Cooranbong NSW 2265
Australia

SCHOLARSHIP ENQUIRIES

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