Colleges and universities included in the Student Mutual Aid Program include:

- Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart IN www.ambs.edu
- Bethel College, North Newton KS www.bethelks.edu
- Bluffton University, Bluffton OH www.bluffton.edu
- Canadian Mennonite University, Winnipeg, Manitoba www.cmu.ca
- Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, Ontario www.grebel.uwaterloo.ca
- Eastern Mennonite Seminary, Harrisonburg VA www.emu.edu/seminary
- Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg VA www.emu.edu
- Goshen College, Goshen IN www.goshen.edu
- Hesston College, Hesston KS www.hesston.edu

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Student Mutual Aid Program



Providing support for the church's future



Rationale and Purpose

Our congregation has a long history of providing Christian education for its children and youth. The Student Mutual Aid Program (SMAP) assists students who wish to continue their education at the college/university level. Student Mutual Aid grants are intended to provide full payment of tuition for all qualified applicants.

We believe that our Mennonite institutions offer significant benefits:

- 1. Education grounded in Anabaptist values:
 - Peace and justice emphasis
 - Service opportunities and leadership development
 - Relevance of faith in making life decisions
 - A caring community of students, faculty and administration
- 2. Smaller class sizes provide enhanced opportunity for interaction with faculty.
- 3. International exposure, with opportunity to experience cross-cultural life.

Guidelines

- SMAP grants are awarded to members of the Mennonite Church of Normal, or to the children of members.
- 2. A student is not eligible to receive a grant until having been affiliated with the Mennonite Church of Normal for a minimum of two years. Exceptions should be submitted to the committee for consideration.
- 3. Grants are paid directly to the appropriate school into the student's account.
- 4. Grants are awarded to students attending Mennonite schools or seminaries affiliated with Mennonite Church USA or Mennonite Church Canada.
- 5. Applications for SMAP grants must be submitted annually. In general, grants totaling no more than eight (8) semesters or the equivalent will be made to any one individual. However, the intent is to provide aid until the associate or baccalaureate degree is awarded. Exceptions will be made for students attending conference seminaries.
- 6. The amount of the grant will be equal to tuition minus the sum of all other grants, scholarships and matching funds. However, the actual amount awarded is contingent upon the number of applicants and the amount of money in the fund. If SMAP grant money remains in a student's account at the end of the year, it will revert back to Mennonite Church of Normal.
- 7. SMAP grants are non-obligatory. However, alumni are encouraged to contribute to the fund as later life circumstances permit.

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