



LOURDES UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MINISTRY TAU SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: Rolling – Accepted students are notified in the Spring Scholarship Award: \$2,000 per year

What is a Tau Scholar? Why would I want to apply?

Tau Scholars are part of the Lourdes University Campus Ministry Team. Our Tau scholars

- grow in their faith and in their relationship with God;
- develop leadership skills;
- expand their organizing and planning skills by preparing and leading others in prayer opportunities, Bible studies, retreats and a variety of fellowship activities;
- help to plan and participate in outreach projects and mission trips;
- encourage other students take part in Campus Ministry events;
- become part of a great team that provides support and encouragement throughout the college experience.

What is expected of me?

- Tau scholars spend an average of 4-5 hours per week planning and being involved with Campus Ministry activities;
- Throughout your time at Lourdes, we ask that you participate in at least 1 mission trip and 1 retreat experience sponsored by Campus Ministry;
- You will have the chance to mentor new students and provide a welcoming environment to those who want to share in our campus ministry activities.

Awardees are expected to attend an orientation session prior to their first semester as a Tau, and then participate in scheduled group planning and fellowship gatherings.

How can I apply?

Applicants must be

- new to Lourdes University
- have a minimum GPA of 3.2 from high school or a transferring institution

Head to www.lourdes.edu/campusministry. Click on the **Tau Scholars** link on the left side of the page – you'll find the link to apply on-line.

Is the scholarship renewable?

A student may receive this award for a maximum of 8 semesters. To qualify for renewal, a student must:

- maintain a 2.75 cumulative grade point average
- be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester
- have no major infractions with respect to student policies

We consider applicants of all faith traditions. Tau scholars are expected to be comfortable with implementing the programs and activities related to Lourdes Campus Ministry, and are expected to exemplify Catholic and Franciscan values in their relationships with others.

A complete application includes:

1. The Tau Scholarship Application from found on-line
2. A 350-500 word essay on one of the following topics:
 - Describe someone you admire and explain how they have had an impact on your life and personal choices.
 - Describe your involvement in a faith community and why this involvement is important to you.
 - Describe an outreach/service experience and explain how it has impacted you.
3. A brief reference letter from a pastor, youth minister, other leader of a faith community, principal or a teacher that has had first-hand experience working with you outside the classroom. This should be sent directly by them to Sr. Barbara Vano at bvano@lourdes.edu or through the postal service using the address below. Applicants may be asked to schedule an interview with members of the selection committee in person or by phone.

Please send completed materials via email to Sister Barb Vano, or use the form below.

Those that wish to use the postal service can send completed materials to:

Campus Ministry Scholarship Selection Committee

Lourdes University

6832 Convent Blvd

Sylvania, OH 43560

Attn: Sister Barbara Vano