



Application for International Students

Statement of Personal Sponsorship

Applicant _____ Degree/Program _____

The above named student is seeking admission as an international student to Bethany Theological Seminary. As a school that trains persons for ministry and service in the believer's church tradition, Bethany gives priority to students sponsored by churches and other agencies related to the worldwide program of the Church of the Brethren.

You are invited to complete this form as an official of the church (denomination) or church related agency that is sponsoring this student. The information you provide is an important part of the admissions process.

Admissions sponsorship does not necessarily mean financial support. It does indicate leadership potential and a probable place for the applicant to serve upon completion of his/her program of study.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____
Street/PO Box City State Postal Code Country

II. CHURCH / AGENCY SPONSOR

Name and address of Church or Agency Sponsoring Student:

Status of Church or Agency

Please mark **all** categories that apply, and add additional information as needed:

- ☐ Member of World Council of Churches, or related to WCC agency
- ☐ Previous historical connection with mission and service programs of the Church of the Brethren
- ☐ Current connection with mission and service programs of the Global Mission Partnerships of the Church of the Brethren General Board
- ☐ Other (please describe) _____

Relationship of Student to Sponsor

Please mark **all** categories that apply and add additional information as needed:

- ☐ Member of church
- ☐ Minister or candidate for ministry in church
- ☐ Current leadership position in church (specify) _____
- ☐ Staff member of agency
- ☐ Other (specify) _____



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III. NATURE OF SPONSORSHIP

Please mark **all** categories that apply and add additional information as needed:

- ☐ **Leadership interest in student.** I/We value the leadership this student will be able to provide to our church or agency and will assist them in finding a position in which to serve at the completion of their training.
- ☐ **Spiritual support of student.** I/We are committed to support this student through our prayers.
- ☐ **Financial support.** I/We are committed to help underwrite the costs of this student's training at Bethany in the amount of \$_____ annually. (If another agency is involved in providing this support, please indicate: _____)
- ☐ **Opportunities for field education.** I/We are willing and able to assist this student in finding a suitable summer or year-long internship with appropriate supervision if needed during his/her program of study.
- ☐ **Support network.** If this student is admitted to Bethany, the following individual(s) or group(s) in the United States would be able to assist with any special needs. Please specify names and addresses:

☐ **Other.** Please indicate: _____

Other Comments:

Signature _____ Date: _____

Return form directly to Admissions Office



Name of Applicant: _____

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Financial Worksheet

FINANCES: IMPORTANT

Upon admission, international students must prove financial viability for attending Bethany Theological Seminary. **Financial viability must be established and \$1500 student account deposit for emergencies must be received before an I-20 form can be issued.** This includes a proposed budget based on the sample given, sources of income and financial support (e.g. tax return, savings, donations, support from denomination or other agency), and supporting documents verifying these and any other financial resources. In addition, *the balance of the first Semester funds must be received from the student by the first day of registration, or the student will need to return to their home country.*

The financial aid Bethany Theological Seminary offers to international students is largely restricted to tuition assistance. Most international students will receive scholarships toward tuition in the range of 25% to 100% of the total cost of tuition. Anything above the cost of tuition (e.g. fees, books, and living expenses) is generally not included in Bethany's financial assistance. Questions about financial assistance can be addressed to the Admissions Office.

NOTE: These expense norms represent a frugal student budget. There is a wide variability in individual expenses. Attempt to compute figures that will be realistic for you. Such projection will help you know what your particular financial situation will be. Norms used for figuring financial aid may vary.

PROJECTED EXPENSES (2016-2017) Academic Year Estimates) For a Frugal Student Budget

		Your estimate
1. Tuition (full-time)	\$12,960	_____
2. Books and supplies	\$1,350	_____
3. Rent or mortgage	\$4,500	_____
4. Food and household supplies	\$3,000	_____
5. Clothing, laundry, cleaning, recreation	\$1,000	_____
6. Public Transportation*	\$2,500	_____
7. Phone	\$450	_____
8. Internet Connection	\$360	_____
Optional items		_____
. Child care	\$0	_____
. One-time computer purchase	\$900	_____
. Children	\$0	_____
(please list) Add \$2,000 for each child;	\$0	_____
Plus \$320 for each child over age 12.		_____
. Summer expenses	\$3,600	_____
. International travel	\$1,500	_____
. YEAR TOTALS	\$32,120	_____

*If you choose to purchase a car and incur the expense that accompanies it, your cost will increase by approximately \$1,550 over transportation costs.

	Your Resources (First year)	Your Resources (For your entire program)
1. Personal and family	\$ _____	\$ _____
2. Your church support	\$ _____	\$ _____
Describe: _____		
3. Other Sponsorship	\$ _____	\$ _____
Describe: _____		
TOTAL RESOURCES:	\$ _____	\$ _____
REMAINING NEED:	\$ _____	\$ _____
(Your expenses minus your total resources)		

Additional proof of financial support/sponsorship is required. Contact the Admissions Office for the appropriate paperwork. Completed paperwork must be received by the application deadline.



FINANCIAL SPONSORSHIP FORM FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Name(s) of student(s) being sponsored: _____

Name(s) of sponsor(s) _____

Address of sponsor(s) _____

Phone of sponsor _____ E-mail address _____

I (We), _____ and _____, jointly and severally, pledge to support the above named student(s) for each of the following academic years _____, _____, and _____ in the amount of \$_____ for each year in which said student(s) are enrolled at Bethany Theological Seminary (the "Seminary") as a full-time student. I (We) further pledge to continue to support this/these students until the completion of the degree program or withdrawal from the Seminary in the amount of \$_____ per academic year. In fulfillment of my (our) pledge, I (we) promise to pay to the order of Bethany Theological Seminary the sum of \$_____ in (annual) (quarterly) (monthly) installments of \$_____ commencing on _____ and continuing on the same day of each (year) (quarter) (month) until my pledge is paid in full.

I (We) understand that the amount needed by this/these student(s) for future years may be adjusted based upon the need, changing costs, etc., but my (our) pledged amount will not be changed without my (our) prior written consent. I (We) understand that an initial payment/deposit of \$_____, equal to one-half (1/2) of the amount pledged for the first year, is due and shall be deposited with Bethany Theological Seminary prior to the start of the school semester for which the student(s) is/are enrolled, and will be credited against the installment amounts due above. I (We) further understand that this pledge and the funds paid to the Seminary in satisfaction of my (our) pledge is NOT tax deductible.

In the event I (we) default in the payment of my (our) pledge to Bethany Theological Seminary, I (we) agree to pay all of the Seminary's out-of-pocket expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, legal expenses, collection fees, and court costs incurred in connection with this pledge.

SIGNED: _____

Notary: _____

County and State: _____

*PLEASE NOTE: Pledges of over \$2,000 per year should be substantiated with supporting documentation, such as current pay stub, bank or investment statements, IRS 1040 copy, etc.