



CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION FOR LMC EDUCATION GRANTS

Applications will be reviewed and grants awarded by the LMC Education Grant Committee in August. Applications should be submitted to the LMC Office by July 31 for the Fall cycle and by January 31 for the Spring cycle. Applicants must meet all the selection criteria appropriate to the grants applied for. Review the appropriate brochures for each grant. Please complete all information requested or indicate "none" or "not applicable" if that applies to your situation. All information submitted in the application form is confidential and reviewed only by the LMC Education Grant Committee. **Do not apply for grants where you do not meet the criteria! See the brochures and page 3 of this application.**

- Leadership Education Grant Fall Urban Education Grant Fall STEP Study Award Fall Womens Education Grant Fall
 Leadership Education Grant Spring (requires a new consolidated application)

Name _____
Address _____ (city) _____ (state) _____ (zip) _____
Phone (home) (____) _____ (work) (____) _____
E-mail _____ Date of Application _____
Member of Congregation _____ District _____
Pastor _____ Gender of Grant Recipient _____
What role(s) do you serve in your congregation? _____
Do you meet the criteria, as listed in the brochure, for each grant you are applying? YES NO

PROGRAM OF STUDY: For what course of study is grant requested?

Have you received a grant from LMC before? YES NO Which: LEG UEG SSA WEG

For what period of time are you requesting a grant? FROM _____ 20__ to _____ 20__

What grade or course or program will you be enrolled in during that time period? _____

What diploma, certificate, or degree are you working toward? _____

What year do you anticipate you will complete your studies or graduate? _____

What grade or number of credits or number of classes will you be taking during this period of time? _____

Which institution will supply the instruction: _____

Student account number and address to which the grant monies should be sent to:

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total cost for grade/class/semester	\$ _____	
Congregational commitment of assistance		\$ _____
Any other sources of assistance		\$ _____
Applicant commitment to tuition cost		\$ _____
Amount of grant money you are requesting		\$ _____

Explain any unusual circumstances or special situation we should be aware of when considering this application:

REFERENCES (from pastor/bishop, and one other from a teacher, employer, or person with knowledge of your situation)
 Applicants only applying for the STEP Study Award need not complete this section. WEG applicants should supply a pastor reference.

Name	Position/Connection	Address	Phone
	pastor		

INSTRUCTIONS: Please have references listed above send an email recommendation to Mindi Hoover (mhoover@lmcchurches.org). It is important that one letter convey how your congregation will support you in this endeavor. These recommendation letters must be updated each calendar year.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND (post-secondary students only)

Applicants only applying for the SSA or the WEG need not complete this section.

	School or Institution	Major/Minor /Course	Diploma, Degree, Credits	Date of Degree
College/ University				
College/ University				
Graduate Study				

One Essay for post-secondary applicants on a separate sheet of paper: Check the box that fits your context. Applicants only applying for the SSA need not complete this section.

- NEW APPLICANTS ONLY:** Briefly share how this course of study will enhance your present and/or future ministry.
- RETURNING APPLICANTS ONLY:** Briefly share how this current class moves you closer to your ministry goal.
- GRADUATING APPLICANTS ONLY:** Briefly share how the grants you received helped you meet your goals.

Essay for WEG applications seeking funding for an event

Share a description of the event, its purpose, and expected outcomes, and how the money will be used. Include a brochure or flyer for the event.

Essay for primary and secondary school applicants

Share your testimony of when and why you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, and what your faith means to you today.

 (Date)

 (Signature of Applicant)

Return application and recommendation to--
LMC
LMC Grants Committee
 2160 Lincoln Highway East #5
 Lancaster, PA 17602
 VERSION: July 2018

For Official Use Only	(Dates)
Application received	_____
Application reviewed	_____
Candidate informed	_____
Funds released	_____
Amount of grant	\$ _____

GRANTING CRITERIA

Leadership Education Grant (LEG)

1. Applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for a grant:

- a. Leader or emerging leader of an LMC congregation.
- b. Written recommendation from a pastor, bishop/ overseer, mentor, or other congregational leader including information about how your congregation will support you in this endeavor.

2. Preference will be given when reviewing applications for:

- a. Congregational commitment to support a part of the leader's educational cost.
- b. LMC connected or associated educational resources.

Urban Education Grant (UEG)

1. Fund recipients must be members of an LMC congregation. In the case of a child, the parents must be members.
2. Applications must be from persons/students of color and/or from a urban setting.

Women's Education Grant (WEG)

1. Fund recipients must be female members of an LMC congregation and recommended as a leader or emerging leader.
2. Each year, the Women's Education Fund will award grants to female students who are enrolled in STEP, seminary, or other ministry training programs. Funds must be used to pay for tuition.
3. Women's Education Grant funds may also be used to support women's training events.

STEP Study Award (SSA)

1. Fund recipients must be members of an LMC congregation.
2. Applicants must be formally enrolled in STEP to receive the funds.