Sara Bernice Moseley Scholarship Application for Presbyterian Students

Austin College Sara Bernice Moseley Scholarships for Presbyterian Students are awarded to incoming students who are members of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and have achieved distinction both in the classroom and in service to others. The Moseley Presbyterian Scholarship is renewable annually as long as the recipient remains a full-time student in good academic standing and is active in ministry or service.

Basis for Consideration
The Scholarship Committee will consider candidates based on the following:

- Active membership in a Presbyterian Church (USA) congregation for at least the past two years
- Nomination/recommendation from a Presbyterian Church (USA) professional (minister or Christian education director), a former or current officer (elder or deacon), or an Austin College trustee or graduate who is a member of a Presbyterian Church (USA) [form enclosed]
- Evidence of academic achievement
- Leadership qualities as evidenced by involvement in church, school, or community activities
- Evidence of service or ministry to others

About Sara Bernice Moseley
In 1995, the Austin College Board of Trustees unanimously approved the creation of a scholarship program for outstanding Presbyterian students, to honor Sara Bernice Moseley. Mrs. Moseley was a significant member of the Austin College community and a leader in the Presbyterian Church (USA) for decades.

A lifelong member of the Presbyterian Church, she served local congregations in many roles before becoming, in 1978, the first woman ever elected moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the USA. She was instrumental in the 1983 reunion of the two major branches of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Moseley, whose husband Dr. John D. Moseley served as president of Austin College from 1953 to 1978, remained a beloved and active member of the Austin College community until her death in 2013.

Austin College reserves the right to change on an annual basis the types, number, criteria, or values of scholarships. In addition to the General Academic Scholarships awarded each year, Austin College has a limited number of institutional scholarships that require separate applications or nominations. A new student may apply for an unlimited number of institutional scholarships. However, a student may receive only one institutional award in addition to the general academic scholarship. For a student receiving financial assistance, a merit-based award may replace in whole or in part a need-based grant or loan.

Austin College welcomes applications for admission from all persons and does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, age, sexual orientation, religion, physical handicap, or national and ethnic origin. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1992, Austin College will make every reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of its students with disabilities.
Nomination/Recommendation  
Sara Bernice Moseley Scholarship  

DEADLINE: February 1

Part I – For Scholarship Applicant

Name: __________________________________________________________________________

   Last                      First                      Middle Initial                   

Home Address:________________________________________________________________________

   Street                   City                      State                      Zip Code

High School/College You Attend: ____________________________________________________________

Presbyterian Church (USA) You Attend: ____________________________________________________________

   Name                      City

I have been a member for _____ years. If less than two years, of what other Presbyterian Church (USA)
congregations have you been a member? ____________________________________________________________

   Name                      City

Part II – For the Person Nominating/Recommending the Applicant

The Austin College Scholarship Committee asks that your nomination/recommendation be prepared on a
separate sheet by addressing the four criteria below, citing specific examples for each to illustrate the
candidate’s merits.

• Discuss the candidate’s leadership qualities, personal character, and achievements. Please be as specific
  as you can in describing your experiences with the candidate that demonstrate her or his leadership
  abilities.
• How has this candidate been involved in the life of the Presbyterian Church (USA) both within and
  beyond the local congregation?
• Discuss the candidate’s service to others.
• Is there any additional information about the candidate that you believe will help the Scholarship
  Committee?

Please also include:

• Signature
• Printed name
• Address
• Phone, Email
• Church congregation
• Connection to the Presbyterian Church and/or this student (i.e. minister, church
  officer, Austin College graduation year or years attended, Trustee, etc.)

Mail Application and Recommendation to:

Sara Bernice Moseley Scholarship Committee
Austin College Office of Admission
900 North Grand Avenue Suite 6N
Sherman, Texas 75090