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

Selection Process

Applicants for institutional scholarships must submit their general admission application by the Early Action II deadline: February 1.

Applicants should also complete this scholarship application and recommendation and submit it by February 1.

Recipients will be notified by the Office of Admission by mid-March and should accept/decline the award offer by May 1.

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.
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

Are you a dependent of a Presbyterian Church (USA) professional? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If YES, which congregation? _____________________________________________________________

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

As a Presbyterian student, you may qualify for the National Presbyterian College Scholarship. To learn more,
please visit: https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/theology-formation-and-
evangelism/financialaid/undergraduate-opportunities/presbyterian-college-scholarship/.