

**A Foundation for Theological Education/The Foundation for Evangelism  
JOHN WESLEY FELLOWSHIP  
Application Form**

The applicant is requested to complete this form as fully as possible. The information will be handled confidentially. Essay questions should be answered on separate paper. NOTE: All applications and supporting documentation must be postmarked by **January 20, 2012.**

Following review of applications, semi-finalists are chosen by March. Semi-finalists are asked to come for an in-person interview, after which time the new class of Fellows is selected and announced, usually by the end of April.

Prospective applicants should make sure their references can speak to the strength of the candidate for fulfilling the mission of the John Wesley Fellows as well as the strength of their academic ability.

Essays and materials should also indicate an understanding of the mission of the Fellows, an emerging understanding of how they will contribute to the needs of the church and her institutions and the formation of students. Candidates are encouraged to talk with current Fellows to gain a better understanding of AFTE. While it does provide scholarship support, it is much more than a scholarship program. It seeks to be an ongoing fellowship of scholars and leaders.

**A Foundation for Theological Education  
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**PERSONAL**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Present Address \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: (Optional) Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Divorced \_\_\_\_\_ Widowed \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

Your Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren)'s Name(s) and Age(s) \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been a member of the United Methodist Church? \_\_\_\_\_

Your Annual Conference \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Relationship: Local Pastor \_\_\_\_\_ Deacon's Orders \_\_\_\_\_ Unordained \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Member \_\_\_\_\_ Member on Trial \_\_\_\_\_ Not a member \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION**

College \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Seminary \_\_\_\_\_ Special study \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Other Formal Study \_\_\_\_\_

Languages	Some Exposure	Reading Knowledge	Passed Grad. Exam
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

**PROPOSED DOCTORAL STUDIES**

Where Applied	Degree Sought	Accepted
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Major field of study \_\_\_\_\_

Possible dissertation topic \_\_\_\_\_

Vocational plans \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to devote full time to academic studies? \_\_\_\_\_

## FINANCES

1. Income Total Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amounts:    a. Other Scholarships \_\_\_\_\_    b. Gifts \_\_\_\_\_  
                  c. Salaries \_\_\_\_\_                    d. Savings \_\_\_\_\_

2. Indebtedness Total Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amounts:    a. Student loans \_\_\_\_\_    b. Credit Cards \_\_\_\_\_  
                  c. Other Major Sources \_\_\_\_\_

## PERSPECTIVES (Limit 20 pages)

1. Construct an outline of the theological affirmations you believe to be essential to the Christian faith and life. Comment briefly on each of them, including evidence of your commitment to the current Doctrinal Standards of the United Methodist Church -- understood as our Articles of Religion, Confession of Faith, General Rules, and Wesley's Standard Sermon and Explanatory Notes on the New Testament.
2. What are the principal issues, leading scholars, and primary schools of thought in your proposed field of study? What draws you to this field of study, and what contribution do you hope to make to this field?
3. Outline and briefly discuss the Wesleyan distinctives that you regard as especially important. How are they relevant to current theological issues, trends, etc.?
4. Describe your feelings about and your present involvement in the United Methodist Church (local and otherwise). How do you intend to use your gifts, graces, and academic expertise to witness for Christ and enrich the Church?
5. Write your spiritual autobiography, including your present areas of growth and struggle.

## ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

1. Recent photograph
2. College and Seminary Transcripts
3. A copy of your GRE scores (Code #1136 The GRE is required of all applicants).
4. Reference letters from: two professors, one pastor, and one layperson.