



# EAST OHIO CONFERENCE MULTICULTURAL MINISTRIES

## John M. Roseberry Scholarship Application

*This scholarship is open to any racial or ethnic minority college-bound student who is a member of an East Ohio Conference United Methodist Church.*

**Who is John M. Roseberry?** Rev. John M. Roseberry graduated from Colonel Crawford High School in Galion, Ohio and Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio from which he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in religion and philosophy. He continued his education at Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C., graduating with a Master of Divinity degree. While there he specialized in Urban Ministry. He began his ministry as a student intern while still at Mount Union College and served as a student co-pastor in the Baltimore Conference with his wife Rev. Barbara Y. Roseberry.

After seminary, he served in the East Ohio Conference at North Mentor Centenary and at Euclid the Masters until the time of his death. To remember John is to recall a man who lived out what he believed. His life was the very reflection of the God he loved. John stood firm in his commitment to his family, to social concerns, on matters relating to human needs, and on issues dealing with racism.

John put his energies and love where they could make a difference: serving on the ministerial support team for Hospice of Lake County, actively supporting Forbes House, a shelter for battered women and children, as part of their community education team, and as one of three local ministers who volunteered for Career Beginnings, a group of concerned citizens that encouraged college-bound minority students.

At his death, he was chairperson of the Conference Commission on Religion and Race, and chairperson of the Conference Task Force on Racism. As a result of these positions, he also received additional training at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Creative Non-Violence in Atlanta, Ga.

John died at the age of 35 from complications of pneumonia. Monies received in his memory were donated to the East Ohio Foundation to help provide college scholarships for ethnic minority students. He is survived by his wife, a ministerial member of the East Ohio Conference, and his son Jeremy C. Roseberry. He was preceded in death by his older son, Joshua M. Roseberry.

**To be considered for this scholarship, your completed application must be received by May 31.**



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### Criteria:

- A member of a minority group as defined by the General Commission on Religion and Race (Asian, Hispanic, Native American, African American, or another racial/ethnic group).
- A member of a United Methodist Church in The East Ohio Conference.
- Official transcript **sent directly from the school**.
- 250-word essay answering the appropriate question below:
  - First time applicants: How has your faith in Christ had an impact on your life, and how might it affect your future development?
  - Returning applicants: How has your faith in Christ had an impact in your present post-secondary experience this year?
- 2 reference letters; 1 from the pastor of your home church and 1 from school
- Completion of the application process and forwarding the appropriate information to the scholarship committee by **May 31**.
- Other possible considerations: scholastic ability/standing, financial status, additional sources of income for education, indication of commitment to Christian vocation.
- Membership and involvement with local church and/or campus or other ministries.
- Students may not receive a John Roseberry Scholarship Award more than four times (exceptions may be made for degree programs that typically take more than four years).
- Scholarship grants are intended for undergraduate level of study. Awarded grants will be sent to the applicant or their family in the applicant's name.
- **Additional criteria for first-time applicants:**
  - Official letter of acceptance by an accredited university, college, or licensed technical or vocational institution beyond high school
  - 1 personal reference letter from a non-relative
  - Recent photograph of applicant

### **\*Important Notes\***

- Completed applications, including reference letters and official transcripts, must be received no later than May 31.
- Applications that are incomplete or received after the deadline will not be considered.
- All applicants will be notified of the scholarship committee's decision by June 15.



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**All applications must be typed and received by May 31 to be considered.**

**A complete application will include:**

- ☐ Official Transcript (send directly from school; see below)
- ☐ Essay (250 words on question from previous page)
- ☐ Completed Application Form (include this page, signed)
- ☐ Reference Letters
  1. A Letter from a pastor at your home church (if your relative is the pastor, have another pastor or lay member of church leadership submit the letter)
  2. Letter from school (teacher, professor, counselor, etc.)

**Additional criteria for first-time applicants:**

- ☐ Official letter of acceptance from your post-secondary institution
- ☐ Personal reference letter from a non-relative
- ☐ Recent photograph of applicant

**Once your application is complete, sign and date below.**

To submit your application by **mail**:  
East Ohio Conference UMC  
Attn: Melanie Thomas  
8800 Cleveland Ave NW  
North Canton, Ohio 44720

To submit your application by **email**:  
[mthomas@eocumc.com](mailto:mthomas@eocumc.com)  
Subject: Roseberry Scholarship  
*please format as a pdf*

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Signature of Applicant

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Date



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*Please check box if applying for the New London Grace Scholarship*

Please fill in all **relevant** fields completely.

**Deadline: May 31**

☐ **Returning Applicant**

☐ **New Applicant**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Racial/Ethnic Minority Group \_\_\_\_\_

Church Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Church Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Church District \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ GPA (7<sup>th</sup> semester) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Counselor or High School Reference \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Post-Secondary Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been notified of acceptance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date Enrolled \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_ Area(s) of Concentration \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor \_\_\_\_\_



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Applicant Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Full Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of others in the household \_\_\_\_\_ of those, how many are adults? \_\_\_\_\_ children? \_\_\_\_\_

How many are attending college? \_\_\_\_\_

Single parent/guardian household? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Occupation(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Yearly Household Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Institution costs for upcoming school year** (estimates are accepted):

Tuition \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Room \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Books \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lab & other Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other (if exceeds \$200 please itemize) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What amount of the total cost of this year's education budget will your family provide? \_\_\_\_\_

What other financial aid (including grants, scholarship, loans, etc.) have you applied for, already received, or been awarded? Please list organization and amount.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Applicant**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Parent/Guardian**

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**Date**



# EAST OHIO CONFERENCE MULTICULTURAL MINISTRIES

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### Reference Letter Form

\_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Applicant) has applied for the John M. Roseberry Scholarship from The East Ohio Conference of The United Methodist Church Board of Multicultural Vitality. Your name has been given as a reference.

Please submit a **typed** letter addressing the relevant information below:

- What is the applicant's relationship and involvement with the local church?
- What is the applicant's involvement with their educational institution?
- Does the applicant show an indication of commitment to Christian vocation?
- Please describe the general character of the applicant.
- What is your assessment of the applicant's scholastic ability?
- How long have you known the applicant?
- How do you know the applicant?
- In your opinion, why is this applicant deserving of this scholarship?

**Submit your reference letter along with this form no later than May 31**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name of Reference**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Occupation**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Reference**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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### **\*NOTE TO APPLICANTS\***

Give a copy of this form to each person writing a reference letter for your application.