



# HARTWELL QUEST®

## RUFUS AND MARTHA NICHOLSON AWARDS

### Eligibility Requirements

### FOR “MINISTRY SCHOOL PLUS” STUDENTS

**Up to \$3,000 in Scholarships for Hartwell Fellowship Program Expenses  
(Including Ministry Schools, Missions, Ministry, etc.)**

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The “[Rufus and Martha Nicholson Awards](#)” outlined below work exclusively for *future, current, and former* eligible ministry school students who choose option 2 (Live College Credit + Hartwell Fellowship) on the “[Ministry School PLUS](#)” page.

- Students who qualify for their first “Rufus and Martha Nicholson Award” of \$1,000 before, during, or after their ministry school experience must be **1)** enrolled in the non-academic Hartwell Fellowship Program and **2)** enrolled with a cooperating accredited partner into a degree program and **3)** successfully complete 12 or more college credits (typically four courses) in the chosen degree program.

Before the conditions above are achieved, students must apply for this scholarship in writing by [contacting HQ](#) to notify of their intent to begin the “Rufus and Martha Nicholson Awards” program for their ministry school. HQ works with select (pre-approved) ministry schools but will consider approving new ministry schools for scholarship awards upon request.

Once all conditions are met, students must provide notice of eligibility in writing by [contacting HQ](#) to notify us and grant permission for HQ to confirm with the accredited partner that the conditions have been met.

Qualified students will receive a “Rufus and Martha Nicholson Award” from HQ in the amount of \$1,000 paid directly to their approved ministry school for non-academic expenses like tuition, mission outreaches, and other things that may be part of the Hartwell Fellowship Program. If you have already graduated from an approved ministry school, these scholarships may be used for other

approved non-academic expenses (approved in writing by appropriate HQ personnel) as part of the Hartwell Fellowship.

Students may continue to qualify and apply for these awards for up to 36 credits of their chosen degree (for the potential total of \$3,000).

Students have three (3) years to use these awards on their non-academic fellowship expenses (ministry school tuition, mission outreaches, etc.) from the date they qualify for their initial award.

**Please note the following:**

- [“Ministry School PLUS”](#) students can either participate in the [“Hartwell Scholar Awards”](#) or the [“Rufus and Martha Nicholson Awards”](#) listed on the [Ministry School PLUS Scholarships](#) page.
- Scholarship programs may not be “stacked.”
- Dismissal from your ministry school, HQ, or a select accredited partner results in immediate disqualification for any HQ scholarship. Students must be in good standing to qualify for awards.
- This scholarship is forfeited if not used as prescribed within three (3) years of completing the initial conditions of eligibility.
- Awards for non-academic enrollment will continue based on academic credits successfully completed and will not reset by switching degrees.
- Credits that may transfer into degrees from prior learning do not count toward these scholarships.
- For students taking less than 12 college credits per semester through enrollment with an accredited partner, scholarship amounts for non-academic enrollment will be prorated.
- Grants from these awards are given directly to nonprofit (tax-deductible) entities for non-academic student endeavors approved by HQ as part of the Hartwell Fellowship Program.
- HQ does not administer any aspect of participation in Title IV programs. Degrees are offered wholly by accredited institutions. HQ enrollment is optional and not required to earn an academic degree from partner institutions.
- HQ tuition, fees, and scholarship awards are subject to change without notice.

## START YOUR QUEST WITH THE INITIAL STEPS BELOW

**Step 1:** Explore the [“Ministry School PLUS”](#) program to see how HQ can help with your educational goals on your journey before, during, and after your ministry school experience.

**Step 2:** Learn more about [Ministry School PLUS Scholarships](#).

**Step 3:** [Contact us](#) with any questions you might have.

**Step 4:** [Apply to Hartwell Quest](#) and let us know which ministry school you plan to attend.