

Eligible Schools and Degrees

(please review the “Class Requirements & Deadlines to Apply” pages for additional information regarding required types of classes and hours to be eligible for a Keesee grant, depending on whether you are enrolled in a Master’s or Doctor of Ministry program)

To be eligible for a Keesee grant award, you must be enrolled in one of the following seminaries or divinity schools pursuing one of the degrees listed below. If you previously received a Keesee doctoral grant award for the Doctor of Education (EdD), Doctor of Educational Ministry (DEdMin), or Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) program see note at the bottom.

Baptist House of Studies at Duke University, Durham, NC

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Christian Practice	Doctor of Ministry

Campbell Divinity School, Buies Creek, NC

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Christian Ministry	Doctor of Ministry

Gardner-Webb Divinity School, Boiling Springs, NC

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Bible and Theology	Doctor of Ministry

Gateway Seminary of the Southern Baptist Convention, Ontario, CA

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies	Doctor of Ministry

Leland Seminary, Arlington, VA
(Formerly The John Leland Center for Theological Studies)

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Christian Leadership	There aren’t any eligible Doctoral Degrees at Leland Seminary at this time

Liberty Theological Seminary, Lynchburg, VA
*Residential Students Only – Keesee grants are not available to students classified as online by Liberty

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity* Master of Arts in Bible and Theology* Master of Arts in Biblical Exposition * (repeat applicants only) Master of Arts in Biblical Interpretation * Master of Arts in Biblical Studies* (repeat applicants only) Master of Arts in Christian Ministry * (repeat applicants only) Master of Arts in Church Multiplication* Master of Arts in Church Planting* (repeat applicants only) Master of Arts in Global and Intercultural Leadership* Master of Arts in Global Studies* (repeat applicants only) Master of Arts in Ministry* Master of Arts in Religion* (repeat applicants only) Master of Arts in Theological Studies * (repeat applicants only)	Doctor of Ministry in Strategic Christian Ministry (students must enroll in an on-campus intensive each semester to be eligible for a Keesee grant in this degree program)

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City MO

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling Master of Arts in Christian Education Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies Master of Arts in Worship Ministry	Doctor of Ministry

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, LA

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Christian Education Master of Arts in Church Planting Master of Arts in Ministry to Women Master of Arts in Missiology	Doctor of Ministry

Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, NC

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling Master of Arts in Christian Education Master of Arts in Christian Education with Biblical Counseling Master of Arts in Christian Ministry (Mentored) Master of Arts in Church Planting Master of Arts in Church Revitalization Master of Arts in Cross-Cultural Counseling Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies Master of Arts in Ministry to Women Master of Arts in Ministry to Women with Biblical Counseling Master of Arts in Student Ministry Master of Arts in Worship Ministry	Doctor of Ministry

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling Master of Arts in Christian Education Master of Arts in Church Music Master of Arts in Missiology Master of Music in Church Music	Doctor of Ministry

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY

Eligible Master’s Degrees:	Eligible Doctoral Degrees:
Master of Divinity Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling and Practical Theology Master of Arts in Christian Education Master of Arts in Church Ministries Master of Arts in Islamic Studies Master of Arts in Missiology	Doctor of Ministry

STUDENTS ENROLLED IN A DOCTOR OF EDUCATION, DOCTOR OF EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY, OR DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE PROGRAM – PLEASE READ

Beginning with the 2026/27 academic year, Keesee grants are no longer available for students enrolled in the following doctoral programs:

- Doctor of Education (EdD)
- Doctor of Educational Ministry (DEdMin)
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

The Board of Trustees recognizes this change may impact some students and has approved a one-time exception: students who received a Keesee grant during the 2025/26 academic year for one of the above programs may apply for continued funding for the 2026/27 academic year.

Please note, only students who received a Keesee grant in the 2025/26 academic year for one of the above listed doctoral programs are eligible under this exception. **We strongly encourage all students affected by this change to seek alternative funding, as the 2026/27 academic year will be the final year this exception is available.**