Lay Ministry Tuition Grant

The Paulist Center has a commitment to support lay students in the Boston area who are pursuing graduate theological and pastoral study for ministry in the Church.

The Paulist Center offers a grant of $700-$1,000 to an active Roman Catholic lay student. The grant is to be applied to tuition for a first level graduate theological and pastoral degree program (M. Div, MTS, MA in Pastoral Ministry, or equivalent). The award is open to any lay person enrolled full-time after successful completion of her/his first year of a master’s-level degree program in a Boston Theological Institute (BTI) school.

Selection of the recipient of the grant will be based on need, past academic and experiential background, and future ministerial aspirations and their relationship to the degree sought. Preference will be given to applicants whose ministerial aspirations reflect the Paulist mission of Evangelization, Reconciliation and Ecumenism. The applicant must be intending at least half-time ministry, however the ministry need not be directly under the Roman Catholic auspices.

Letters of inquiry and application should be sent to:

Patricia M. Simpson
Attn: Lay Ministry Tuition Grant
Paulist Center Community
5 Park Street
Boston, MA 02108
or emailed to patty@paulistcenter.org

An application, not to exceed five pages, should include:

- applicant’s name, addresses, phone numbers and email (please include current contacts, as well as numbers you may be reached at after June 30th)
- school, program and year of study
- names, addresses and phone numbers of two references (i.e. professor, spiritual leader of faith community, etc.)
- financial need, including briefly outlined expenses and income
- current faith community and/or parish
- description of ministerial aspirations
- academic, ministerial/professional experience, including volunteer activities and other interests/hobbies

Application Deadline: Tuesday, June 30, 2020
Award Notification: By July 31, 2020
Disbursement of Award to the University: One-half September, One-half January