

ARTHUR W. CLINTON JR. SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

The purpose of these scholarships and awards is to promote scholarly pursuits in the field of Marian studies and possible contributions to the activities of the Mariological Society of America.

Scholarships

An Arthur W. Clinton Jr. Scholarship is awarded to a student pursuing a graduate degree (master's, licentiate, or doctorate)* whose thesis or dissertation is in the field of Mariology or Marian Studies. Ordinarily, a scholarship is awarded so the applicant may be free to work for a year on the thesis or dissertation.

The maximum individual scholarship is \$10,000. The number of scholarships and the amounts conferred for each of them are dependent upon the funds available for distribution, the number of applicants, their demonstrated need, and the merits of their proposals. Application must be made for renewal.

Application for financial assistance for an academic year (beginning with the fall semester) must be submitted between February 1 and April 30 of that year. The names of the recipients will be announced at the annual MSA Meeting in May of that same year. The application should be addressed to:

Clinton Scholarships and Awards Committee
Mariological Society of America
Marian Library / University of Dayton
Dayton, OH 45469-1390

A scholarship application (initial or for renewal) should include the following:

- a) The approved proposal for the thesis or dissertation
- b) Two current letters of recommendation: one from the thesis/dissertation director, another from a faculty member or director of the program (may be sent directly by the recommender or forwarded by the petitioner)
- c) Letter from the applicant containing a detailed plan of the work that will be accomplished during the year, the specific amount requested, and a budget which indicates precisely how the money will be used (e.g., to pay for fees, research resources, or to cover travel and subsistence expenses while carrying out research).

Successful applicants will be required to submit a follow-up report, in which they will reflect on whether their aims and objectives were met and any challenges that they faced during the scholarship award period. This report should be submitted by May 1 in the year following the award.

* In 2012, the MSA Administrative Council extended eligibility for scholarship grants to those working for a master's or licentiate degree.

Awards

An Arthur W. Clinton Jr. Award is granted ordinarily to a postdoctoral applicant working on a specific Marian studies topic that will result in a publication. Assistance can be given to support research, writing, and preparation of the manuscript, up to \$1,500. Distribution will be based on the amount of funds available and the relative merits of the proposals.

Special projects of the Mariological Society of America--especially those providing for the foundation of new Mariological (scholarly Marian) societies-- also qualify for assistance.

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The following should be submitted in an application for this award:

- a) Curriculum vitae
- b) Description of the project
- c) Current letter of support from a colleague (may be sent directly or forwarded by the petitioner)
- d) Letter from the applicant giving the specific amount requested and including a budget which indicates precisely how the money will be used (e.g., to pay for research or manuscript preparation resources, or to cover travel and subsistence expenses while carrying out research or attending a conference).

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