

About the Scholars Program

PAID INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS OF THE ARTS, INCLUDING FINE ARTS, GRAPHIC DESIGN, WRITING, MUSIC, DRAMA, AND ART ADMINISTRATION.

Ten students will be awarded a \$3600 stipend along with peer support, mentoring, use of First and Calvary Presbyterian Church facilities, and an opportunity to have their work exhibited or performed in a public setting. First and Calvary has been a part of the community for more than 160 years. A campus icon, located next to the Juanita K. Hammons Hall of the Performing Arts near Missouri State University, we have a tradition of outreach and a desire to be an ongoing resource for students in the Springfield University community.

Who is eligible?

- Traditional undergraduate students and graduate students who are enrolled full-time in a local university/college for the 2026-2027 academic year.
- Students who exhibit artistic excellence in their chosen field.
- Students who live their Christian faith.
- Desire to use their gifts in the context of F&C Church.
- Willingness to be coached and to work collaboratively with fellow artists.
- Agreement to provide the product of their creativity (e.g., original compositions of music, artwork, planning, or written documents) free of charge without future encumbrances on their continued use.
- Willingness and ability to attend monthly cohort gatherings to study and reflect on the spiritual calling of being creators.

What will internship recipients receive?

- A \$400 monthly stipend distributed over 9 months coinciding with the local university academic year, not to exceed a total of \$3600 for the year, while the student is in good standing with the agreed upon eligibility requirements.
- Access to the F&C building and grounds for studio space and inspiration.
- Assigned mentors and selected peer artists.

A total of 10 students will receive this meaningful assistance.