
DON AND MARY KING MUSIC LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

Application Deadline: 07/15/2026

Amount: \$1,000 (\$500 per semester)

Description: The Don and Mary King Music Scholarship honors the King's passion for music and fine arts. They are faithful supporters of ACU, both through financial partnership and the giving of their time on the Board of Trustees and as attendees at various events on campus, including fine arts and athletic events.

Ten (10) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded for the 2026-27 academic year in honor of Don and Mary King's love for music and desire to see students receive a Christ-centered education in the fine arts.

Applicant Qualifications:

- Enrolled full-time student at ACU
- Declared Music Major
- Audition and Music Faculty approval to qualify for one of the following roles:
 - Chorale vocal section leader (soprano, alto, tenor, bass)
 - Chamber Singers Assistant Conductor, Band Assistant Leader, OR String Ensemble group leader
 - Social Media music page manager OR Weekly Music Events Bulletin Admin
 - Advance Band worship leader (WL), music director (MD), OR Admin
 - Special Talent: voice, musical theatre, composition, instrument, conducting, etc. OR Music Special Events Coordinator
- Must be registered in the appropriate corresponding performance ensemble (from options listed above)
 - NOTE: Chorale sections leaders must be registered for MEC 100 – Chorale and/or one of the advanced vocal ensembles
- Any classification status in Fall 2026
- Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher for renewal within academic year
- Fulfill leadership responsibilities as defined by performance ensemble instructor.
- Submit the completed application package by the deadline stated above.

Requirements: Scholarship funds will be given directly to Arizona Christian University and will be disbursed evenly between the Fall and Spring semesters at \$500 per semester. Scholarship must go toward tuition. The scholarship may be renewed within the same academic year as long as the recipient maintains a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, remains a degree-seeking Music major within a qualifying music degree program, completes a designated extracurricular music assignment, and remains in good academic and spiritual standing with the ACU Dean of Academic Affairs and Dean of Students. *Failure to uphold the scholarship expectations will result in a withdrawal of the scholarship.*

Application Instructions: Applicants must submit the following no later than **July 15, 2026**, via email to music@arizonachristian.edu.

- Invitation, audition, and approval from Music Faculty
- Typed application.
- Typed essay (400-500 words) which includes/answers the following:
 - What church do you attend and in what capacity are you serving?
 - What area(s) of music are you currently pursuing and why?
 - Please describe your long-term goals with respect to your music degree.
- Letter of Recommendation (letter must be from a pastor, church leader, or spiritual mentor)

Selection Process:

Music Faculty will identify music leadership positions for upcoming Academic year. Deserving students will be invited to audition for stated positions. Approved participants will be invited to complete the Music Leader Scholarship form. The Music Department will submit student endorsements to ACU Scholarship Committee for final scholarship approval. The scholarship will be awarded no later than August 6, 2026. An official notification will be emailed to the recipient with further information and must be accepted no later than August 13, 2026.

Questions? Please email music@arizonachristian.edu

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Please type your answers. Use an additional piece of paper if necessary.		
Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Initial
Student ID #:		
Mailing Address:		
Phone Number:		
Email:		
Declared Major:	Cumulative GPA:	
Name, Location, and Years of Attendance at Home Church:		
List any academic honors, awards and membership activities:		
List your current ministry activities:		
List any non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:		
List any other scholarships applied for and any awarded:		
On a separate sheet, please type an essay (400-500 words) which includes/answers the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">o What church do you attend and how are you involvedo How are you currently involved in ministryo Past relevant ministry or service experienceo Your long-term ministry goalo What this scholarship will help you achieve		
Please attach one typed letter of recommendation (letter must be from a pastor, church leader, or spiritual mentor)		

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STATEMENT OF ACCURACY AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent, that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, my picture may be taken and used to promote the Don and Mary King Music Leadership Scholarship. (Recipient may waive photos due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, according to the Don and Mary King Music Leadership Scholarship policy, I will write a letter of thanks and try my best to be present for a meeting or lunch with Don and Mary King.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, according to Arizona Christian University, I will provide my acceptance no later than **August 13, 2026**. I understand the scholarship will be applied to my Arizona Christian University account to pay towards tuition and fees for the **2026-27** school year.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____

Checklist:

___ Application

___ Typed Essay on separate sheet of paper

___ One Letter of Recommendation

Email the completed application package to music@arizonachristian.edu no later than July 15, 2026.