# ANNEX A

**Eligibility Requirements**

**This program Bearers of Hope is to help the congregations in the field of their aid projects for poor people. The studies should meet their needs.**

# Fields of study will be limited to those that supports:

**Education**

Scholarships will be available to students enrolling in the Faculty of Education of qualifying institutions. Available courses may include: Education, Education Management and Development, Education Management and Planning, Education Science, Science in Education, Psychology and Counselling, and related courses.

# Building just societies

Scholarships will be available to students enrolling in the Faculty of Law, Departments or Faculty of Philosophy, Religious Studies, Gender and Development, Community Development. Available courses may include Law, Social Work, Philosophy, Peace Studies and International Relations, medicine, Nursing and related courses.

# Effective management and leadership

Scholarships will be available to students studying finance, administration, management and economics and enrolling in the Faculty of Business of qualifying institutions. Available courses may include Business Management, Human Resources Management, Finance and Corporate Management, Business Administration, accountancy and related courses.

**Scholarship**

Scholarships are given for catholic universities in Africa. They have to be high quality universities and should have a boarding house for students if possible.

In each country there is a selection of universities with which we cooperate. Only if the field of education is not offered at these universities, it is possible to study at another one.

The student has to accommodate in a female hostel or boarding home mainly provided by the university.

# Selection Criteria:

* Academic achievement
* Particularly outstanding commitment during the entire school period
* Voluntary activities for classmates and school
* Ambitious goals
* Achievements (academic, professional, community related)
* Awards/Recognition
* 18 years old by the beginning of the academic term

**Terms and conditions:**

1. The scholarship includes tuition fees, administrative costs and fees for the entire duration of the studies. The costs for accommodation, food, stationaries and a laptop on loan are covered by NLW. The final settlement has to be given by the student latest two weeks after the end of the term. It has to include all invoices and receipts as scan according to the budget that was given. The form will be provided.

2. The student also receives pocket money as an annual contribution of 200 USD, which can be used at the student's discretion to cover additional expenses such as books, research and travel. For the pocket money there is no need for a final settlement and receipts.

3. Participation in mentoring and a meeting with all students of the program in Kenya is mandatory. The costs for this will be covered by NLW.

4. The student has to report about her experiences and impressions in written form via WhatsApp, Email and Skype, or similar digital media at regular intervals during her studies, at least after every semester. This is necessary to inform the donors who support this program.

The student agrees that pictures and videos may be published to inform donors or attract new donors.

5. The student is obliged to spend at least 4-6 weeks a year during the semester break at an aid project of a religious order to gain experience and to be supportive. This has to be done in the subject of her chosen studies. The order provides suitable internships and helps with accommodation. The student receives a small fee for this.

6. The student will be accompanied during her studies by the mentor who recommended her for her studies. Leadership trainings have to be completed during the studies. This takes place during the meeting with all students of the program. The meeting will take place during the semester break in Kenya.

7. Each applicant must be proposed by at least two people. This should be a teacher and the principal.

8. The applicant must have reached the age of 18 by the beginning of the academic year.

9. The applicant commits herself to work full-time in an aid project of a religious congregation NLW works with for at least 3 and at most 4 years after graduation. For this she will receive an appropriate salary.

10. Termination of studies:

Should the study program be discontinued for whatever reason, the sponsorship amount is to be paid back without restriction. This can be done in installments.

Should the student marry or become pregnant, this is no reason to discontinue the studies. In this case a common sense solution has to be found how the student can continue her studies. The willingness to work for a religious community after the studies is indispensable.

11. The student has to provide a report and copies of the results of the tests for each term. The documents must be submitted by two weeks after the end of the term. Only then will the money for the new semester be transferred.

12. The student has to provide all necessary documents for health insurance within 4 weeks after beginning the academic year. Otherwise, no insurance can be provided and no help for medical aid.

13. Successful applicants will be informed by e-mail about their selection or rejection in due time before the beginning of the university admission period for the beginning semester. If you have not received any notification by this date, please consider your request as unsuccessful.

**Application date:**

# Applications for scholarship program Bearers of Hope for Africa are accepted from February until April for the academic start in August/September.