Cultural Diversity Scholarship Application
New Students 2007 - 2008
Deadline: March 1, 2007

About the Scholarship: Part of the richness of a Covenant College education comes from the diversity of its students, mirroring the varied texture of the world God has created. Every student brings to campus a unique, personal set of experiences and perspectives. In particular, the contributions from an individual’s cultural background or ethnic origin are important to the larger Covenant community. Funding for diversity scholarships is on a competitive basis to qualified applicants and may represent a combination of grants from a number of college funds. Recipients of this scholarship are involved in the Cultural Diversity Program at Covenant following their matriculation at the college.

Criteria for Selection:
1) Applicants may be ethnic American minorities, international students, or Americans who have lived in another country for an extended time.
2) Applicant must complete the essay required.
3) Students must live on campus.
4) Students must participate in the Cultural Diversity Program.
5) Renewal is based on participation in the Cultural Diversity Program and academic progress.

(Please Print)

Name:___________________________________Social Security #:________________________

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Last    First    MI

Address:______________________________________________________________________

Street________________________________________________________________________

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City    State    Zip    Phone

1) State/Country of Birth:_____________________________________________________

2) What race/ethnic group do you most closely identify yourself with:__________________

3) Citizenship:_______________________________________________________________

4) Have you ever lived outside the United States? Yes    No   (If yes, where, why and for how long?)___________________________________________________________
Essay

The author of the book of Ruth points to a tension within Ruth herself. In Chapter One, she has personally confessed allegiance to the God of the Hebrews, and so is able to enter the religious community of Israel. However, Ruth is also referred to throughout the book as “the Moabitess” – a foreigner from Moab. In other words, she is at the same time identified with and different from those who surrounded her in Bethlehem.

With this in mind, please write a three-page essay to address your own life to this point.
1) Reflect on your own experience being identified with, and yet different from, those around you.
2) How have your experiences shaped your identity?
3) How can your experiences affect the Covenant community?
4) What opportunities and what difficulties do you envision yourself confronting at Covenant College?

Please return the completed application and two copies of your essay to the address or fax number below.

Please mail or fax this application to:
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Lookout Mountain, GA 30750
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