

Grants

- * Fellowships will be granted for a period of one year or a fraction thereof. If funds are desired for more than one year, a new application must be submitted each year for approval. Monies from a Fellowship grant must be used within the period for which they are allotted. Monies not used for the purpose designated shall be returned to the fund.
- * The money awarded shall be issued by the Treasurer of the Synod upon the written request of the applicant when he/she is ready to put the plan of study into effect.
- * Ordained recipients of grants who leave the Ministry within five (5) years of the receipt of the grant, shall be required to repay it.
- * Unordained recipients of grants who are not ordained within five (5) years or who fail to serve in the Lutheran Ministry a period of five (5) years after ordination shall be required to repay the grant.

A Brief Biography of The Rev. Dr. Samuel Trexler

Dr. Trexler was ordained into the Lutheran Ministry in 1899, served the church as a home mission pastor, as pastor of established churches, as student pastor and as president of the Board of Foreign Missions. He was the first president of the United Lutheran Synod of New York and New England also held other positions of leadership in that synod between 1920 and 1944. He was the author of *Crusaders of the 20th Century*, (1927), *Out of Thirty-Five Years* (1936), *Dr. John A. Morehead* (1938), and *A Pastor Wings Over South America* (1941). He died in New York, May 30, 1949.

Correspondence should be addressed to :

**Chairman
The Samuel Trexler Fellowship Committee
Upstate New York Synod - ELCA
5811 Heritage Landing Drive, 1st Fl
East Syracuse, NY 13057**

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The Samuel Trexler Fellowship

Prospectus



Upstate New York Synod
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What is The Samuel Trexler Fellowship ?

An endowment fund was established by the Reverend Samuel Trexler, D.D., S.T.D., L.L.D. in order to enable Lutheran pastors and theological students of the Upstate New York Synod to carry on specialized programs of study in the United States or abroad in any field pertaining to the life and thought of the church.

The endowment fund was started with Dr. Trexler's initial gift of \$10,000 in 1948. At the time of his death he left an additional bequest of \$44,668.79. This sum has been augmented by gifts from the Synod and from individual congregations. Additional gifts were added through the efforts of Dr. Trexler's devoted friend, Dr. Edmund Devol.

Today anyone who is on the rosters of the Upstate New York Synod or is preparing to be on the rosters, is welcome to complete an application for a Trexler grant. Preference is given to applications for travel, degree programs and to first time recipients.

Statement of Purpose

"The purpose of this Fellowship shall be to make funds available so as to provide fellowships to ordained ministers and certified students of the ministry of the Upstate New York Synod, who desire and seek aid for advanced study in America or in other countries in order that they might increase their knowledge and value in the ministry of our Lutheran Church."

This fund is not primarily to equip professional teachers with required degrees, but to develop within the ranks of the church, pastors and leaders with an ecumenical vision, an adequate knowledge of Christian thought, and an understanding of the church at home and abroad.

Reports :

- The recipient of a Trexler Fellowship is required to submit a brief written report to the Chair of the Samuel Trexler Fellowship Committee in care of the Synod Office upon completion of the study period or travel.
- The Committee shall prepare annually a list of recipients, their field of study and educational institutions attended, if any, and present it to the Synod at its annual Convention.

How do I apply?

- Applications forms may be secured from any office of the Upstate New York Synod.

Completed application forms shall be presented to:

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Applications must be mailed in time to reach the Samuel Trexler Committee on or before October 31st. The awards will be disbursed in January of the next year.

Applicants are required to be on the rosters of the Upstate New York Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

A Pastor serving a parish (or agency) shall be expected to secure the approval of the Congregation Council (or Board) for any absence from the parish (or agency) during the period of contemplated study prior to submitting an application.