

Tsubaki Grand Shrine Travel Scholarship



The Tsubaki Grand Shrine Travel Scholarship for Meadville Lombard Theological Seminarians is available to Meadville Lombard seminarians whose formation would be enhanced through international and interfaith engagement.

Who can apply?

Meadville Lombard students whose formation would be enhanced by this experience

What does the scholarship cover?

Scholarship recipients will be provided with expenses for travel (not to exceed \$2,000) to the Tsubaki Grand Shrine (TGS) in Suzuka, Japan plus room and board at the Shrine for two to three weeks residence.

When is the visit travel happening?

The visit may occur between May 2016 and November 2016 (to be coordinated with TGS).

Can it be taken as a rotation?

It may be considered a Rotation (an on-site experience linked to a traditional academic course) with the approval of the student's faculty advisor. As outlined in the ML Academic Handbook, the TGS Scholar will receive one full credit for the Rotation. Ordinary tuition rates will apply.

The Tsubaki Grand Shrine Scholar will:

- Agree to act in a manner consistent with his/her position of serving as a representative of Meadville Lombard while visiting the TGS

- Take an academic course for credit in conjunction with his/or her visit
- Have the full approval of his/her faculty advisor before applying for the Scholarship
- Write a report about their experience, to be forwarded to the Director of International Formation at Meadville Lombard and Tsubaki Grand Shrine within one month of their return to the United States

About Tsubaki Grand Shrine

TGS is one of the oldest Shinto shrines in Japan, dating back to the first century BCE. The long-standing relationship between Meadville Lombard and TGS has its roots within the International Association for Religious Freedom (IARF). This travel scholarship was established by Guji Yukiyasu Yamamoto, the 97th guardian priest of the shrine:

- to promote international and interfaith understanding,
- to provide opportunities for Meadville Lombard seminarians to develop a deeper understanding of shrine Shinto tradition, customs, and practices, and
- to further develop close relationships between the Tsubaki Grand Shrine and Unitarian Universalists.

Now, it is time to apply. Please follow [this link](#) to go to the application form.

We are looking forward to reviewing your application.



Catherine Boyle. 2015 Scholar



Roger Doebke, 2014 scholar