



## **The Center for Social Justice and Reconciliation (CSJR) Social Justice Ambassador Fellowship at Union Presbyterian Seminary – 2023/2024**

**Purpose:** The Center for Social Justice and Reconciliation will award annual fellowships to four degree-seeking students in the M.Div., M.A.C.E., M.A.P.T or dual-degree programs at Union Presbyterian Seminary who demonstrate strong interest in the work of the CSJR and a commitment to social justice as a core component of ministry.

**Criteria:** The fellowship supports four students in the M.Div., M.A.C.E., M.A.P.T, or dual-degree programs at Union Presbyterian Seminary who exhibit interest in exploring and engaging in social justice work.

**Amount:** The Fellowship award is \$2,000 per year for each student. A leave of absence or suspended program study will default the award.

**Expectations-** Recipients of the CSJR Social Justice Ambassador Fellowship will be expected to be engaged with and support the work of the CSJR. Listed below are examples of ways students may engage with the CSJR as Ambassadors. An orientation meeting will be held once Ambassadors have been selected to determine specific areas of focus for the year.

- Assist the CSJR Director and Program Associate with preparation and production of CSJR events throughout the year;
- Attend and actively participate in CSJR events throughout the year (note, these events are typically in the evening and will be both online only and possibly, hybrid in presentation);
- Serve as a commissioner with the Reimagining America Project (RAP), founded and co-chaired by CSJR Director Dr. Rodney Sadler and supported by the Seminary;
- Continue development of an active “Seminarians for Social Justice” group for students that meets at least monthly (students can and should be from both campuses)
- Provide leadership for students and serve as liaisons between students and the CSJR (e.g. coordinate student gatherings/conversations, invite students to CSJR events, bring student concerns and ideas to CSJR leadership);
- Coordinate quarterly “Seminarians for Social Justice” student-led panel discussions;
- Provide resources and content for the “Student” section of the CSJR website and newsletter, *Just Act*.
- Help maintain websites for the CSJR and RAP
- Meet monthly with the CSJR Director and Program Associate

**Application Deadline:** The application deadline is August 26, 2023, for the 2023/2024 academic year. Ambassador selections will be made by September 1, 2023.

## APPLICATION

### **Section A: General Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

### **Section B: Degree Program**

- Master of Arts in Christian Education (M.A.C.E.)
- Master of Divinity (M.Div.)
- Master of Public Theology (M.A.P.T)
- M.A.C.E./M.Div.

### **Section C: Essay**

In a separate document, please share the biblical and theological reasons why you think it is important for Christian leaders to engage in social justice work in the larger world.

Applicant responses should be no more than 750 words.