Kenneth L. Carroll Scholarship for Biblical and Quaker Studies

This Pendle Hill Scholarship has been established as an endowment to support and encourage persons with serious interest in the study of the Bible and Quaker faith and practice. It is hoped that the work resulting from their study will be shared with others as part of encouraging the nurturance and development of Friends Meetings. Kenneth L. Carroll is the former president of the Friends Historical Association in the United States and the Friends Historical Society in the United Kingdom. A convinced Friend (while a graduate student at Duke), he helped found the Dallas (Texas) Friends Meeting in 1952. He was professor of Religious Studies at Southern Methodist University, where he taught for 34 years; is the author of numerous books and articles (some in Swarthmore College’s collection); and was clerk of Third Haven Friends Meeting in Easton, Maryland, U.S.A. He has contributed to the work of the American Friends Service Committee (chairing their SW regional committee), the Friends World Committee for Consultation (where he chaired the nominating committee for the national and international sections), and Friends General Conference (for six years). He travelled widely among Friends (both at home and abroad) for more than 50 years. The scholarship which carries his name is intended to increase interest in and knowledge of Biblical and Quaker thought among Friends.

The grant provides full room and board for the maximum duration of study covered by the full yearly distribution of this fund in a year at Pendle Hill – with lengthy and rigorous scholarship expected. The maximum duration for this scholarship is approximately 15 weeks. Allowance for transportation to, and other expenses while at, Pendle Hill are not included. The routines of community life at Pendle Hill and the outstanding Quaker collections at Pendle Hill and neighboring Swarthmore and Haverford Colleges are available to the Carroll scholar. There may be opportunity participate in any Quakerism and Bible courses at Pendle Hill that are available during the period of scholarship. Engaged participation in the community is expected, including morning worship, shared meals, the daily jobs program, and weekly meetings with a staff consultant is expected.

Requirements include:

- Membership in an unprogrammed meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, with preference given to applicants from Philadelphia, Baltimore, North Carolina Conservative, South Central, Ireland, Britain, Australia, or New Zealand Yearly Meetings. In a year with no applicants from the preceding YMs, then applications from members of unprogrammed Meetings around the world will be considered. In a year with no applicants, then people meeting the above criteria may have this scholarship apply to their attendance in a Bible conference or course at Pendle Hill.
- Demonstrated commitment to relevant research
• An endorsement letter from the monthly meeting’s clerk
• Two work or Quaker Community references regarding community living
• A promising project which should offer benefit to the larger Religious Society of Friends or to an individual meeting
• At the end of the scholarship term, a copy of the completed project or brief research paper describing scholar’s experience at Pendle Hill and the outcome of their research
• English language fluency

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE:** Complete the online application form available at [https://pendlehill.formstack.com/forms/kenneth_carroll_scholarship](https://pendlehill.formstack.com/forms/kenneth_carroll_scholarship)

Application deadline: **March 1st** each year, for residencies that will occur between the following September through August. Decisions are made by a scholarship committee between March and May, and award notification will occur during June.