

KALEO
Youth Theological Institute
YOUTH APPLICATION PACKET

Thank you for your interest in the **KALEO** program. We look forward to hearing from you and receiving your application! Please read the instructions carefully and fill out the application completely. Feel free to contact us anytime for more information. The **KALEO** Application Packet includes the following five forms:

Nominator Form: The Nominator Form is to be completed by the person nominating the student for the program. Every student applying for the program needs to have a nominator. A nominator should be a pastor or other church leader who knows the student well enough to speak to his or her suitability for the program.

Mentor Form: The Mentor Form is to be completed by the person mentoring the student with the program. Every student applying for the program needs to have a mentor. A mentor should be a pastor or other church leader who desires to mentor the student in the program.

- The mentor and nominator can be the same person.
- The mentor and student must be the same gender.
- The mentor cannot be a family member.

Student Application Form: The Student Application Form is to be completed by the student who is applying for the program.

Church Reference Form: The Church Reference Form is to be completed by a pastor, church leader or other adult (someone other than the nominator or mentor) from the student's church who knows the student well enough to speak to his or her suitability for the program.

Upon completion of this application packet, please e-mail it and any questions you may have to brownd@wbu.edu.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who can apply?

Most students apply when they are high school sophomores and juniors and participate in the KALEO during the summer between their junior and senior years.

When is the KALEO immersion program?

The One Month Immersion Experience takes place in the summer starting in the end of June. The 2017 KALEO Immersion is June 8 - July 9, 2018.

When are applications due?

Applications coming from within the United States must be submitted no later than March 19, 2018. Applications are free; there is no charge to apply.

When will I know if I have been accepted?

We take as many qualified applicants as we can into the program but do not always have room for everyone. Admissions decisions will be mailed by the end of March.

How much does it cost?

The student fee is only \$2,000 for applications and we ask each student church to contribute an additional \$500. This is a huge discount from what it costs to actually run the program and covers all program fees (the Wilderness Expedition to Camp Eagle (New Mexico or Texas), the Theological Expedition at Wayland Baptist University (Plainview, TX), and the International Immersion through Student International (Dominican Republic), food and lodging for the entire Immersion (except airport meals), overseas airfare and much more.

Can I do fundraising to help pay my fee?

Yes. KALEO provides fundraising tools, including individualized online fundraising pages, and churches are encouraged to sponsor students.

How do I turn in my application once it is complete?

Upon completion of this application packet, please e-mail it and any questions you may have to brownd@wbu.edu.

What other important dates do I need to be aware of?

March 26, 2018 - Family deposit due - \$400

March 26, 2018 - Church Support due - \$500

May 28, 2018 - All final payments due - \$1600

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

KALEO is a Christian leadership development initiative for junior and senior high school students featuring a month-long immersion component and a one-year mentoring component.

Our overarching purpose for **KALEO** (*Youth Theology Institute*) is to TRANSFORM lives through the discovery, discernment, and affirmation of God’s call for Christian leadership in the lives of junior and senior high school students. Our desire is to create “greenhouse” experiences to foster discovery, discernment, and affirmation of the call to God’s Kingdom work in the world.

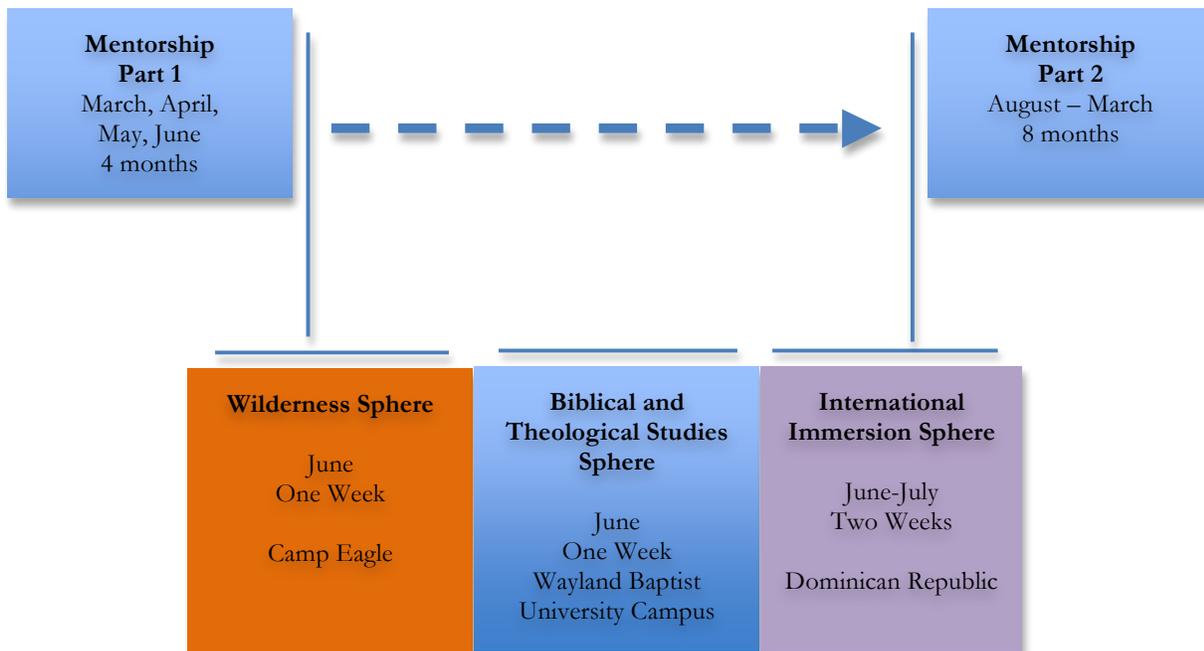
IMMERSION EXPERIENCES

Students involved in **KALEO** will participate in the one-month immersion experiences involving a series of **three** different back-to-back learning spheres:

- A **Wilderness Sphere** in the Pecos Wilderness or the Sangre de Cristo Mountains of Camp Eagle (week one);
- A **Biblical/Theological Inquiry Sphere** led by the faculty of the School of Religion and Philosophy on the Wayland Baptist University Plainview, Texas campus (week two);
- A global **Mission and Ministry Sphere** in the one of the mobilization sites of Student International (weeks three and four)

MENTORSHIP FOR ONE YEAR

Four months before and eight months after the month long immersions, students are mentored by hometown pastors and leaders. Mentors help a student process their immersion sphere experience and walk alongside them as they make major life decisions and seek to follow God’s call in Christian Leadership. Mentors meet regularly with students and supervise the leadership and involvement of students in various ministry contexts.



Participants for KALEO

Number of Participants: 30 student participants (15 female, 15 male with an attempt at an equal distribution of junior and senior high school students).

Character and Capacity of Participants: KALEO builds upon students who have a living and growing relationship with Christ. Each participant should have encountered a call to salvation in Christ and have a desire for grow in His image through discipleship and exhibit the potential for leadership and ministry.

Nomination of Student Participants: Local church congregations, pastoral leaders, and mentors can nominate students as candidates for KALEO. Nominations can be made for participants who have just completed their sophomore or junior year in high school. Nominations should be presented by mid-February. Nominator forms can be submitted online or printed and mailed.

Application for Participation in KALEO: Participants can submit application using an online or hardcopy method. The application timeline and deadlines are as follows:

Application deadline	March 19
Admission Notifications mailed	Late March
Month-Long Immersion	The second week of June to second week of July

Components of the Application Process:

1. Student online application/hardcopy application form
2. Mentor Form – Person(s) who will partner and participate in the one-year mentoring component of KALEO. This form also serves as a reference form for the participant.
3. Church participation form – Form confirming evidence of salvation in Christ and potential for leadership and ministry. Pastoral signature required.

STUDENT APPLICATION FORM INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL REMARKS

- Please follow the instructions carefully so that we can best consider your application. It is important that you fill out the form and answer the questions clearly, accurately and completely.
- Once you have completed the **Student Application Form**, please e-mail it to brownd@wbu.edu.

Completed applications must be received no later than March 19, 2018

(\$2,000 per student + \$500 for church).

Should it be necessary for making selections, you may be asked to participate in an interview with a representative from the KALEO program.

If you have questions, please call or email the KALEO program at 806-291-1168 or e-mail brownd@wbu.edu.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Name. For your “legal name,” provide your legal first, middle and last name. This is the name that appears or would appear on your passport. In the “common name” line, let us know what name you commonly go by.

Email. Provide your email address, phone numbers and any other convenient way for us to contact you. Be sure to clearly print this information.

Year. Circle your year in school during the 2016-2017 school year.

Passport. If you are selected to the KALEO program, you will need a passport. If you do not already have one, it is a good idea to at least begin thinking about the process of getting one.

Date of Birth. Be sure to indicate the month, day and year.

PARENT INFORMATION

This section is for your parents/guardians to complete.

CANDIDATE QUESTIONS

- This section is an important part of your application. This is our primary resource for getting to know who you are. Take time to think and pray about these questions.
- Type your answers in the space provided. There is no length requirement for responses.
- Answer each question thoroughly in clear, concise, and complete sentences that exhibit genuine consideration and self-reflection.

STUDENT QUESTIONS CONTINUED Please type answers below.

5 Historically, Christians have crafted and appealed to various Statements of Faith (Nicene Creed, Westminster Confession, Baptist Faith and Message, etc...) that describe their core beliefs and convictions concerning God. Briefly write out your own Statement of Faith, explaining, as best you can, what you believe it means to be a Christian.

6. What are two or three things (other than your faith) that have most impacted who you are today?

STUDENT QUESTIONS CONTINUED Please type answers below.

7. What would you most like to see changed and why? How do you see yourself playing a role in that?
8. In the last year, what life questions and/or faith issues have you wrestled with and to what, if any, conclusions have you arrived?
9. This program is for young people who in some way sense a call to leadership and ministry. Describe your calling. This may be a specific incident or a process of God revealing himself to you. Why would you like to participate in the KALEO program?
10. What is your understanding of the KALEO program?

PARENT INFORMATION or Legal Guardians. Please print clearly.

Father/Guardian _____ Mother/Guardian _____

Address _____ Address _____

Home Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Email _____

Candidate resides with: Both Parents Father Mother Other _____

Why do you support your child's participation in the KALEO program?

Father/Guardian Signature

Mother/Guardian Signature