Established by alumni, friends, relatives, and colleagues, this scholarship recognizes the careers of Francis and Wanda Sharpton at Northwest Nazarene University and in the community of Nampa.

Francis Sharpton earned his Ph.D. from the University of Oklahoma, and served as a professor of physics at Northwest Nazarene University for 31 years before retiring in June 2001. Dr. Sharpton was the head of the Physics Department for the majority of those years. Prior to coming to NNU, he had teaching and research experience at Olivet Nazarene University in Illinois, Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and University of California's Lawrence Radiation Laboratory.

During his tenure at NNU, Dr. Sharpton served as a class sponsor and as the sponsor of the International Students Club. The purchase, ongoing maintenance, and coordination of transportation for the NNU diesel bus would not exist but for Dr. Sharpton.

Wanda Sharpton was employed at Mercy Medical Center in Nampa for 24 years. She served as MMC Director of Human Resources for nine years prior to her retirement in 1998.

### Criteria for the Award

1. The recipient will be a full-time student majoring in physics or engineering who meets NNU criteria for an honor scholarship and shows potential for academic success and degree completion;

2. The recipient may receive the award in successive years, not to exceed four, by maintaining a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.30;

3. Major consideration for the award will be given to the candidate who, in addition to academic studies, participates in an instrumental or vocal group in the NNU Music Department;

4. Nominations for this award are to be made by the Department of Physics/Engineering and the Office of Financial Aid.