

# Iyengar Yoga Association of the South Central United States (IYASCUS)

## SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

- I. Eligibility
  - a. Priority given to teachers studying for assessment through IYNAUS (Iyengar Yoga National Association of United States).
    - i. Consideration given to other serious students of Iyengar Yoga based on student application, teacher recommendation and availability of scholarship funds.
  - b. Financial need
    - i. Student provides statement why their financial situation might not allow them to participate in a workshop or teacher training without some assistance.
    - ii. Student provides budget of projected expenses: Transportation, Lodging, and Workshop Fee
      1. Student is expected to take advantage of lower cost housing options such as staying with local students, if available.
    - iii. Student should specify what they can afford to pay.
  - c. Dedication to the practice of Iyengar Yoga
    - i. The student has been studying yoga continuously with a certified Iyengar teacher for a minimum of two years. If there is no Iyengar certified teacher in the city where the student lives, then the student travels to study regularly (at least twice a year) with a senior level certified Iyengar teacher.
    - ii. Maintains a regular personal practice
    - iii. Recommendation from primary teacher
  - d. Member in good standing of IYASCUS with dues currently paid.
  - e. Those serving on the Scholarship Committee are not eligible for scholarships. Other board members are eligible.
  - f. Student limited to one scholarship award per year.
- II. Administration of Scholarships
  - a. Scholarship Committee
    - i. Three members
    - ii. Scholarship committee chairperson is elected member of IYASCUS board of directors.
    - iii. Call for nominations/recommendations for other committee members are made.
    - iv. Scholarship committee chair selects two candidates and presents names for board approval.
    - v. Members serve for three year term.
      1. Former committee members eligible to serve again after one year hiatus with board approval.
  - b. Committee Chair

- i. Receive requests for scholarships. See that requests are properly filed and all requirements are met. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
      - ii. Call meeting of committee to review scholarship applications well in advance of workshop.
      - iii. Notify candidates of committee decision in a timely manner.
      - iv. Provide report for board meetings of scholarship requests and committee awards.
      - v. Recommend annual budget to board for approval.
    - c. Scholarship Amount
      - i. Generally no more than 50% of total expenses for transportation, lodging, and workshop fee will be awarded.
- III. Application Procedure
  - a. Timeline
    - i. Applications are reviewed on a quarterly basis for workshops scheduled in the following quarter.
    - ii. Applications submitted after the filing deadline will not be considered.
    - iii. Applicants will be notified of the committee's decision in a timely manner.
  - b. Student Application Form
    - i. Complete and return to Scholarship Chairperson before deadline.
  - c. Recommending Teacher Form
    - i. It is the student's responsibility to supply form to their chosen recommending teacher and to inform her/him of submittal deadline date.