

2012 Scholarship Application for 5-day Summer Research Workshops

Thanks to a grant from the John Templeton Foundation, scholarships are being offered to persons in academic settings with serious financial hardships and promising future careers in research. The scholarship covers the tuition of \$1100 (i.e., tuition for the workshop will be waived). The applicant is responsible for providing their own travel, lodging, food and other expenses involved in attending the workshop. There is no deadline for scholarship applications until 1 week before the actual workshops (July 16-20, and August 13-17). **This is the last year that full tuition scholarships will be awarded.**

Scholarship applications require the following:

1. A personal statement that describes the applicant's research interests, reasons for wanting to attend the workshop, how the workshop would contribute to their research career, and any plans to finish an advanced degree (doctorate) or write a dissertation. Conclude with a separate paragraph that describes the nature of the financial hardship that would prevent the applicant from paying tuition for the workshop.
2. A brief (2 page single spaced) research proposal on spirituality & health describing:
 - (a) A plan for a specific research study (i.e., research question, brief background, proposed research methods, brief budget)
 - (b) A plan to obtain funding to support that study (i.e., write a grant)
 - (c) A description of anticipated papers that might result from the research
 - (d) A description of the overall impact the research results may have on the field of spirituality and health
3. The applicant's curriculum vitae (CV)
4. Two letters of reference from mentors or faculty
5. A signed statement that indicates that without support the applicant could not attend the workshop (see below).
6. For those outside the United States, a letter from the U.S. embassy in the country of origin documenting the applicants academic position or student status at the university [or equivalent official documentation of applicant's status by university official].

IMPORTANT

Items # 1, 2 and 3 must be sent by E-MAIL in a **single** MS Word 2000 document (with CV at the end of the document) to Harold G. Koenig, M.D (koenig@geri.duke.edu). Letters of reference from mentors/faculty (#4) must also be sent by E-MAIL to Dr. Koenig directly from mentor/faculty.

The signed statement of financial hardship (#5, next page) must be sent by FAX to Dr. Koenig at 919-684-8569. For any questions regarding the application process, contact Dr. Koenig (koenig@geri.duke.edu).

Certification of Financial Hardship

I certify that I am in a situation of serious financial hardship that prohibits my attending the research workshop unless I am awarded a scholarship (i.e., the \$1100 tuition waived). I am willing, however, to pay all of my travel expenses that I incur related to attending the workshop.

_____ (print name)

_____ (date)

_____ (signature)

Please FAX this page to Harold G. Koenig at 1-919-684-8569.