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A.P.A Exam Scholarship Guidelines for Students

The APA Exam Scholarship is available to provide an opportunity for astrology students to receive financial support to undertake the FAA Examinations. Each year the APA is able to provide the Examination fees for up to 4 students to undertake up to 4 examinations.

The scholarship includes payment of fees for one examination per application. Successful applicants may apply again for assistance with further exams, as long as they pass the exams they have sat.

To be eligible for this package the student applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current member of the FAA and an Australian resident.
- Be intending to sit all four of the FAA Examinations over the next few years. Preference will be given to students who have already [successfully] begun the FAA examination process.
- Be planning to become an APA member when they are qualified and be willing to undertake the supervision necessary to become an accredited professional astrologer.
- Applicants [successful or not in their application] would be eligible to apply at each intake.
- Be able to provide a written application (preferably emailed) stating the reasons how / why the sponsorship would assist them. This may or may not be due to financial hardship.
- Recipients of the scholarships will provide a biography and photo for the APA Newsletter and be willing to have their name and photo re-published when they pass any examination that the APA has sponsored.
- Recipients of the scholarships who are assessed as NYC [not yet competent] by the FAA Exam Board in any funded exams will not be eligible for future funding. If recipients are forced to withdraw due to exceptional circumstances they may apply to defer the awarded scholarship to the following year only, or if in the case of the Specialist and Relationship Exam, when it is next offered (biennially).
- Applications should include all the applicants contact details.

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Application Selection Process

- Students will be chosen on the merit of their written submission and the information provided.
- If a number of students meet all the criteria and show equal merit a lottery will be held to choose the winner(s).
- The Committee reserves the right to not award any scholarships, or not award the full number of scholarships available.
- Scholarship recipients will be informed by a member of the Selection Committee who is also on the APA Executive.
- Unsuccessful students will be notified by the Executive Member on the Selection Committee by official email.
- All applicants will be notified within 3 weeks from application closing date.
- The Selection Committee's decision will be final and no appeals will be held.

Guidelines for Candidates

These guidelines are not set procedures as the committee has no desire to restrict or lead applicants with set formulas or regulations, but rather wishes to respond on the merits of each application.

Students are expected to meet the following criteria and include the relevant information in their application.

1. Personal contact details: name, address, email address, phone
2. Length of membership of the FAA
3. Number of years and dates of study, name [s] of teachers [past and present], details of any assessment tasks or examinations completed and associated documentation e.g. certificates

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4. Names of FAA examinations that have been completed and their results [enclose a photocopy/scan of the relevant FAA certificate].
5. How they intend to use their qualifications.
6. Details of any financial hardship [not essential]
7. Details of any previous applications for this scholarship with information about:
 - whether the application was successful
 - the year of application
 - examinations undertaken and the results.

Students may also include references from past / present teachers to support their application [highly recommended].