Partial tuition scholarships are being offered to persons in academic settings with serious financial hardships and promising future careers in research. The scholarship covers $600 of the $1200 tuition, reducing the cost to $600 (with mentorship) or $500 (without mentorship). 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 workshop (August 15-19), although scholarships are limited and early applicants will be favored.

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, colleagues, 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 applicant’s academic position or student status at the university [or equivalent official documentation of applicant’s status by university official].

IMPORTANT – READ CAREFULLY:
Items # 1, 2 and 3 above 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 (Harold.Koenig@duke.edu). Letters of reference from mentors/colleagues/faculty (#4 above) must also be sent by E-MAIL to Dr. Koenig directly from mentor/colleague/faculty.

The signed statement of financial hardship (#5 above, next page) must be scanned and e-mailed to Dr. Koenig. For any questions regarding the application process, contact Dr. Koenig (Harold.Koenig@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 $600 tuition reduction). I am willing, however, to pay all of my travel expenses that I incur related to attending the workshop.

___________________________________________________________ (print name)

___________________________________________________________ (date)

___________________________________________________________ (signature)

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