

congress2000legacy

## FAQ'S

## For congress 2000 legacy Scholarship Applications

Thanks to some of our past applicants and/or winners emails we have realized that there are many questions that remain unanswered. They have raised some interesting questions. We have listed some of their questions in the list below.

In order to ensure that your questions and our answers are communicated to all in the ZAH community your queries and our response is being put up under the Scholarship link of the www.zah.org web site <a href="http://zah.org/scholarship/">http://zah.org/scholarship/</a> and is also being sent out as an e-blast.

- Q ZAH Legacy Scholarship is open to any student, even those that are currently in college. Is this true?
- A: Yes, it's always been that way right from the start and if you look at the application on page 4 it asks you which level you are in currently.
- Q I have won this award in the past, am I eligible to apply again?
- A No. If you have won in the past, then your application will not be eligible.
- Q Does the same apply to the Cyrus Desai Award also?
- A Unfortunately NO, that award is ONLY for the student going to college for the first year, as listed in the application form.
- Q Do you have more than one ZAH AWARD in the same year?
- A It depends on funding available. Yes, this year (2015) we have two ZAH awards plus one Cyrus Desai Award.
- Q Are all awards given out each year?
- A Not really, if the judges find that the applicant does not meet the set criteria an award may not be given out. However fortunately this has never happened to us.

- Q Can an award be split?
- A YES, in case of a tie, the judging committee may elect to split ONLY the ZAH award.
- Q Should I submit the same application that I did in the past?
- A NO, applications may have changes/additions/deletions and are updated nearly every year. Also contacts, address, location, education etc., may have changed. Finally, do note that judging expectations may vary based on level of education/class/year of the applicant.
- Q Would I just submit the same essay and tweak the past information?
- A There has been a marked improvement in the quality of the submission over the years. **The essay is an important component of the competition**. Good essays are the result of reflection and several revisions; the first essay is just a draft. We recommend that you invest effort in improving your submission from the past. Of course, this is your call.
- Q Can we contact the committee with questions, and how often?
- A YES absolutely and as often as required. You are however encouraged to carefully read through the entire application and then raise the questions you may have. It is important that you do NOT leave any question you may have unanswered.
- Q Besides the Legacy committee who could we call on for assistance/advice?
- A All past award winners are listed on the **SCHOLARSHIP PAGE LINK** on the zah.org web site. Your peers may be the best resource for your questions as well

To ensure that you prepare and submit a competitive application <u>by the due date of June 1</u> of each year; the congress2000legacy committee encourages <u>you to take a careful look at the current application form and contact us with requests for clarification, if any</u>

Your questions, helped us put together these FAQ's and we are confident that doing this will help congress2000legacy to improve its application form by allowing it to evolve further

We look forward to hearing from you & wish you Good Luck.