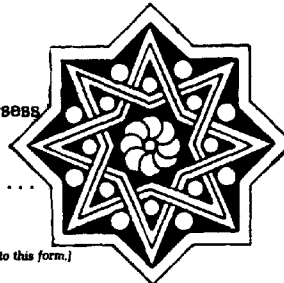


## THE SAM NERSESIAN SCHOLARSHIP

Annual scholarship given to a deserving and worthy applicant to attend the Saint Nerses Summer Studies Conferences sponsored by the Diocese of the Armenian Church.



### Application Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

(City) \_\_\_\_\_

In what ways do you serve your Church ?

*[Check as many as apply.]*

- \_\_\_\_ deacon/altar server
- \_\_\_\_ choir member
- \_\_\_\_ Church School teacher/aid
- \_\_\_\_ Armenian School teacher/aid
- \_\_\_\_ ACYOA chapter officer
- \_\_\_\_ Church Office assistant
- \_\_\_\_ parish council member
- \_\_\_\_ other *[specify]* \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a dues paid ACYOA member ? \_\_\_\_ Sr. \_\_\_\_ Jr.

Are you a dues paid parish member ? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended St. Nerses Summer Studies Conferences before ? \_\_\_\_ *[years]* \_\_\_\_\_

Have you participated in ACYOA Regional Retreats?  
*[years & locations]* \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended Church School ? \_\_\_\_ *[no. of years]* \_\_\_\_\_

Have you served your Chapter as an officer ? \_\_\_\_\_

How many new members have you brought into your chapter ? \_\_\_\_

List some of your favorite interests and hobbies:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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### PASTOR'S RECOMMENDATION:

*[To be filled out by the applicant's pastor.]*

I recommend \_\_\_\_\_

as an applicant for the ACYOA Sam Nersesian Scholarship based on the following:

- \_\_\_\_ as an active member of the parish.
- \_\_\_\_ as an active ACYOA member: \_\_\_\_ Sr. \_\_\_\_ Jr.
- \_\_\_\_ as a dues paying member of our parish.
- \_\_\_\_ as having the desire to learn about the Armenian Church - doctrines, traditions, faith.
- \_\_\_\_ as having demonstrated maturity and seriousness of purpose.
- \_\_\_\_ as one who has demonstrated a sincere interest in serving the Church.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Pastor*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

### Essay Questions

*[Answer on separate sheets. Attach to this form.]*

1. In what ways would you like to be involved in the life of your parish, both now and in the future ?

2. Write a short essay on one of the following passages:

a) Matthew 5:13

*"You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its salt-ness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trodden under foot by men."*

b) John 1:1-5

*"In the beginning was the Word with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was nothing made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."*

c) Matthew 19:23-24

*"And Jesus said to his disciples, truly I say to you, it will be hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."*

3. Write a brief essay describing yourself and your relationship with the Church.

4. **Optional:** Describe one of your favorite Biblical passages and give some of your thoughts concerning it.

In order of importance to you, place numbers from 1 to 10 in the spaces provided. *[Note: there are no 'right' or 'wrong' answers.]*

*"As an Armenian Christian, it is important that I . . .*

- \_\_\_\_ know my heritage."
- \_\_\_\_ understand my parents."
- \_\_\_\_ have a relationship with God."
- \_\_\_\_ live the heritage of my forefathers."
- \_\_\_\_ visit Armenia."
- \_\_\_\_ do well in school."
- \_\_\_\_ read the Bible and know its contents."
- \_\_\_\_ learn the Armenian language."
- \_\_\_\_ serve the Church as best I can."
- \_\_\_\_ get a good job."
- \_\_\_\_ know the teachings of Christ as interpreted by the Church."
- \_\_\_\_ marry an Armenian and bring up my children in the Armenian Church."

Please consider me for the ACYOA Sam Nersesian Scholarship. I am planning to attend one of the sessions of the St. Nerses Summer Studies Conferences this year. *[If you know the dates, kindly provide them here: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_]*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of applicant*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

**[NOTE: All applications must be received no later than June 30]**

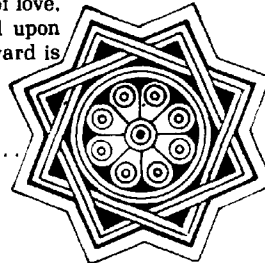
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# ACYOA Awards Programs

Armenian Church Youth Organization of America  
Diocese of the Armenian Church

## THE SAM NERSESIAN AWARD

Annual award given to an ACYOA Member who demonstrates Christian virtues of love, patience, humility and understanding. Chosen by the ACYOA Central Council upon receiving nominations from pastors and chapter executive committees. The Award is presented at the National Sports Weekend Awards Banquet.



### Nomination Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tel. No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parish: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (City) \_\_\_\_\_

In what ways does the nominee serve the parish?  
 (Check as many as apply.)

- deacon/altar server
- choir member
- Church School teacher/aid
- Armenian School teacher/aid
- parish council member
- ACYOA chapter officer
- Church Office assistant
- other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Is the nominee a dues paid ACYOA member? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the nominee a dues paid parish member? \_\_\_\_\_

Has the nominee attended Church School? \_\_\_\_\_

Has the nominee participated in:  
 (Check as many as apply.)

- ACYOA regional retreats
- ACYOA Armenian Studies Programs
- St. Nersess Summer Studies Programs

Has the nominee brought in new members? \_\_\_\_\_

What other organizations does the nominee belong to?  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the nominee's participation in the Chapter:  
 (Check as many as apply.)

- leader
- suggests new ideas
- volunteers regularly for committee work
- usually follows the wishes of the group
- consistently attends meetings
- attends most chapter activities and functions
- sets an example for others
- follower
- attracts attention
- is listened to and respected by other members

Does the nominee attend Church services regularly? \_\_\_\_\_

Complete the following sentences and give a brief explanation for each. (Attach additional sheets as necessary.)

The nominee best demonstrates love for others by . . .

The nominee best demonstrates humility by . . .

The nominee best demonstrates patience by . . .

The nominee best demonstrates understanding by . . .

What particular characteristics makes this person a worthy nominee? (Explain)

Other comments.  
 \_\_\_\_\_

### PASTOR'S RECOMMENDATION:

(To be filled out and signed by the nominee's pastor.)

I recommend \_\_\_\_\_

as a nominee for the ACYOA Sam Nersesian Award, based on the following: (Check as many as apply.)

- as having demonstrated Christian virtues.
- as having attended Church Services regularly.
- as an active ACYOA member.
- as an active parish member.
- as having demonstrated maturity and seriousness of purpose
- as having demonstrated a willingness to learn and understand the faith and teachings of the Armenian Church.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pastor's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

### Chapter Executive Committee:

We recommend \_\_\_\_\_

as a nominee for the ACYOA Sam Nersesian Award.

(Affix appropriate signatures.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ Recording Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

[NOTE: All nominations must be received no later than June 30.]

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