

Application for Monastic Experience

Due: four weeks prior to requested starting date

Submit to: VEDANTA SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
1946 Vedanta Place, Hollywood, California 90068
Phone: (323) 465-7114 Fax: (323) 465-9568

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address (while attending school): _____

_____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Best times to call: _____

Dates you can be reached at the above address: _____

Home address (if different from above): _____

_____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Best times to call: _____

Dates you can be reached at the home address and phone: _____

Social security number: _____ Male Female

Birth date: _____ Dr. License #: _____

College currently attending: _____ Major: _____

College address: _____

Courses in religion or philosophy which you have completed. (This is not a requirement, but we are interested to know your background. If you are majoring in one of these fields, just list your favorite courses.)

Other than your college course work, please describe any other ways in which you have learned about religion, philosophy, or monastic life, including churches, synagogues, or temples you have attended, books you have read, or people you have talked to.

Do you currently have any particular routine of either religious study or practice such as meditation?

Are you able to follow a regular routine? Can you get up by 6:00 AM for meditation on a regular basis?

Can you describe a particular aspect of your life, or a particular time or situation when you had to be extraordinarily self-disciplined?

Describe what area of study you wish to pursue while living at the Vedanta Monastery.

Would your studies be for an independent study course at your college or university?

Please list your hobbies or special interests.

Special work skills and/or work experience (e.g. carpentry, computers, cooking, painting, library science).

Other than living with your family, have you had experiences of living with groups of people (e.g. summer camps, room mates, or other communities or ashrams)?

Is there anything in particular that you feel you have to contribute to the life of the monastery, such as special knowledge, interest, or skill, musical or artistic talent?

What is it that interests you in the Vedanta Monastic Experience Program and what is it that you hope to gain?

Do you have any medical problems which might need attention while visiting us?

Do you smoke? _____

We have both vegetarians and non-vegetarians in residence. Do you have any special dietary restrictions?

When would you like to start your program?

First choice: _____ Second choice: _____

Preferred Length of Stay: _____

If selected, I, _____, will fulfill all of the requirements listed. I also hereby give permission for the college listed above to release my scholastic information to you to verify enrollment and grade point average.

signature of applicant