

# Sacramento Judo Club Takeda Sensei Academic Scholarship Fund Selection Criteria

## **Establishment and Purpose of the Fund**

Sacramento Judo Club member Ron Tocchini, as benefactor, has donated \$2,500 and has pledged \$2,500 annually for 5 years to the “Sensei Matsuo Mac Takeda Scholarship Fund”. As a result, a Sacramento Judo Club scholarship fund in the name of Sensei Matsuo Takeda Scholarship Fund was established (hereinafter referred to as the Fund).

The purpose of the Fund is to award cash scholarships to deserving Sacramento Judo Club members who meet the below listed eligibility requirements and are determined by the Fund Committee to be winners of a scholarship. All fund Committee determinations of any nature are subject to the approval of Sensei Takeda so long as he lives and thereafter the Takeda family shall exercise this authority of approval.

## **Fund Committee**

Sensei Matsuo Mac Takeda shall select the members of a Fund Committee to assist in the administration of the Fund and the selection of the recipients of the scholarships. Sensei Takeda shall act as Chairman of the Fund Committee. Such Fund Committee members may be Sacramento Judo Club members or other people of Sensei Takeda or the Takeda family’s choice. Sensei Takeda shall determine the number of Fund Committee members.

## **Requirements for Application**

An applicant for scholarship shall be an active club member who has been a continuous Sacramento Judo club member for a minimum of the four years preceding the expected date of awarding of the scholarship.

## **Standards for Determination**

The following factors shall be used as a guide by the Fund Committee to determine the winners of scholarships:

- 1) Spirit of Mutual Welfare and Benefit and overall role model image for younger club members
- 2) Shiai (contest) participation
- 3) Extent of Kodokan Judo technique and Judo philosophical knowledge and understanding
- 4) Individual and family support of SJC activities
- 5) Perceived academic abilities
- 6) Years of membership in the SJC
- 7) Pursuing a formal academic or technological education.
- 8) Minimum Judo Rank of Shodan and at least 16 years of age
- 9) Good moral character and social conduct
- 10) Must show evidence of financial need.

Insofar as is practicable the above 10 criteria should be given equal weight in making determinations.

## **The Scholarships**

Sensei Takeda shall advise the Fund Committee on a yearly basis whether any of the SJC members are eligible and have applied for a scholarship and if necessary, he shall convene a meeting or otherwise

inform the Committee members of applicants and qualifications. He shall accept the Committee members' ratings for consideration and announce the winners if any. If no applicant is determined to be sufficiently qualified a scholarship will not be awarded.

It is not necessary to award a scholarship every year. It shall be dependant on the eligible applicants and the resources of the Fund. Multiple scholarships in any given year can also be considered.

The scholarships are intended to financially assist the recipients in their overall and incidental expenses for the following year's costs of pursuing a formal academic or technological education. Recipients who fail to follow-through with such education are expected to return the scholarship unless a delayed period is approved by Sensei Takeda.

**Note:** No applicant can receive the "Sensei Matsuo Mac Takeda Scholarship" more than twice.

### **Maintenance of the Fund**

The Fund may accept donations for its purposes and if it is the wish of the person or organization making a donation that the donation be ear-marked for a specific SJC member then the donation may be accepted for that purpose but with the condition that a minimum 10% portion of the donation shall go to the general non-specific scholarship funds.