

Svaroopa® Vidya Ashram Residency Application

Thank you for your interest in living in the Ashram! It is a profound way to live, with a lot of laughter and a lot of love, as well as rapid progress toward your spiritual goals.

The prerequisites for residency are:

- Age 25-55 years old
- Graduate of Foundations of Svaroopa® Yoga
- Have taken an in-person Shaktipat Retreat with Swami Nirmalananda
- Shishya Member for 6 months or longer (or other level of our Vowed Order)
- A personal history of tithing for the most recent 4 months or more (monthly donations to Svaroopa® Vidya Ashram).
- Have completed an in-person residency of 1 month or longer

This application form is used both for the 1 month residency trial period as well as a longer residency period.

Include a passport photo with this application and send it to:

Residency Coordinator email: prajnananda@svaroopayoga.org

OR

Svaroopa® Vidya Ashram, Attention: Residency Coordinator, 118 E. Lancaster Ave,
Downingtown PA 19335

All your information will remain completely confidential.

Your phone interview will be scheduled after your application is received.

If you have any questions, email info@svaroopayoga.org.

OM svaroopā svasvabhavah namo namah

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Legal Name: _____

Sanskrit Name (if you have one): _____

From whom did you receive this name? _____

When? _____

What does it mean? _____

How have you been using it? _____

You are applying to be a resident for:

One Month Trial Residency

Six Months

Longer Period

Your intended start and end dates _____

Contact Information:

Current Address: _____

Mobile Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthdate (mo/day/year) _____

Are you married: Yes No

If "yes," please provide the name of your spouse and contact information:

If "yes," is your spouse also completing an application for residency? Yes No

Do you have dependent children? Yes No

If yes, list their names and ages:

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Ashram Participation History:

Do you currently have an Ashram Membership? (check all that apply)

SATYA Shishya or Vowed Member Donor Member Other

When was your most recent In-Person Shaktipat Retreat with Gurudevi? _____

When was your most recent Foundations of *Svaroopa®* Yoga course? _____

For how long have you been giving a monthly donation? _____

Do you offer additional donations? _____

Your Vision (use additional pages if you need more space):

Reasons you want to live in the Ashram:

Your vision and preferences for living in community:

Specific skills and abilities you bring to the Ashram include:

Description of your current *sadhana* (daily spiritual practices):

Residency includes Ashram seva, usually household chores that are shared by everyone in the group. What are your preferences for seva tasks?

Have you ever lived in a similar community? If so, please describe your role and your experience.

Personal History (Attach a resume, if desired, in place of answering the next two questions).

Educational Background: Degrees, Schools, Dates.

Work Background: Companies, Dates, Responsibilities.

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Personal Finances:

You have been tithing to SVA since what date? _____

Monthly rent is currently \$1,300, which includes your private bedroom, use of a shared bathroom, all your meals, and participation in key Ashram courses and programs while you are in residence.

Please help us by supplying information about your financial arrangements:

- I currently have the assets available to cover the estimated \$1,300/month expenses during my first 6 months of residency.

- I plan to work at a job or profession in a nearby location to cover my expenses

- I have a sponsor who will cover these expenses

Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone _____ Email _____

All of the information I have provided above is complete and accurate.

Signature: _____

Date: _____