

## **Foreign Fellowship of IOA / Ambassadorship of IOA Guidelines and Criteria**

- 1) Only Life Members of the Indian Orthopaedic Association residing in India are eligible.
- 2) Application must reach the Chairman, Foreign Fellowship Committee before September, 30<sup>th</sup> every year to [foreignfellowshipioa@gmail.com](mailto:foreignfellowshipioa@gmail.com) with copy to [hon.secretaryioa@gmail.com](mailto:hon.secretaryioa@gmail.com) / [executiveofficerioa@gmail.com](mailto:executiveofficerioa@gmail.com) / [ioahousedelhi@gmail.com](mailto:ioahousedelhi@gmail.com).
- 3) Send only Xerox copies; do not send originals as they will not be returned.
- 4) One set of application must contain
  - a) Personal Profile Statement
  - b) Curriculum Vitae
  - c) Relevant Authenticated Xerox copies
  - d) Relevant certificate for age proof (birth certificate, school certificates or passport).
- 5) Authentication must be by a Gazetted officer, Head of the institute, Current President or Secretary of the State Chapter to which the applicant belongs.
- 6) A member will be selected for only one foreign fellowship. Any member who has availed an IOA foreign fellowship in the past not eligible to apply again.
- 7) Applicant can apply for more than one fellowship but not more than two.
- 8) For Communication, full details of the addressee, phone no. & e-mails must be indicated.  
Note: any changes must be informed immediately.
- 9) Communication only in writing or e-mail is entertained.
- 10) Any wrong information or canvassing will disqualify the application.
- 11) The result will be informed to only selected applicants.
- 12) Applicant must have a valid passport and shall obtain Visa to travel in proper time.
- 13) Selected applicant should proceed for overseas fellowship with valid Medical Insurance.
- 14) Those candidates who are in government employment will need to provide a letter of support from their director or head that they support concerning period out of employment or No Objection Certificate.
- 15) Contact e-mail ID for all communication of foreign fellowship of IOA:
  - i) Chairman, Foreign Fellowship Committee: [foreignfellowshipioa@gmail.com](mailto:foreignfellowshipioa@gmail.com)
  - ii) IOA House Delhi: [ioahousedelhi@gmail.com](mailto:ioahousedelhi@gmail.com) / [executiveofficerioa@gmail.com](mailto:executiveofficerioa@gmail.com)
  - iii) Secretary, IOA: [hon.secretaryioa@gmail.com](mailto:hon.secretaryioa@gmail.com) / [drsanjayjain9@gmail.com](mailto:drsanjayjain9@gmail.com)
  - iii) President, IOA: [presidentorthoioa@gmail.com](mailto:presidentorthoioa@gmail.com)
- 16) Application must be sent by registered post / Courier only in below mentioned address:  
To,  
Indian Orthopaedic Association  
IOA House, Plot No. 69, Tughlakabad Institutional Area,  
Behind Batra Hospital, M.B. Road,  
New Delhi 110062 India. Phone: +91 11 2996 1434

### **Personal Profile statement**

It is customary for all international fellowships to write a personal Profile statement

A personal profile statement is a vital part of the candidate's application for Fellowship & is his introduction to the selection committee. It is a short statement outlining his personal characteristics in his own word. It tells the reader what kind of a person he is, the attributes and qualities that he possesses and the experience he has & should demonstrate his humanity & that he is capable of doing things & can inspire others around him to join in those efforts. An excellent personal profile statement must be relevant, short & to the point approx 100-200 words and contain only positive points.

A personal statement is not an academic paper with the Applicant as the subject, a resume in narrative form or plea or justification for the scholarship. Most importantly, a personal statement should be authentic. So the candidate should take pains & plan out a proper personal statement.

#### Marking Criteria for Selection

1. Proper filling up the application form & Personal Profile Statement	:	5 marks
2. Career Marking from CV	:	100 marks
3. Interview	:	20 marks
Total	:	125 marks

### Career Marking Criteria for CV

No.	Marking criteria	Marks
1.	Basic Qualification Required	13
2.	Experience.	7
3.	Publications.	30
4.	Scientific Presentations	28
5.	Special Marks	22
Total		100

#### Marking Criteria – 1

[A] Basic Qualification Required (MCI recognized only)	Marks	Maximum permissible mark
a) MS	5	
b) DNB	5	
c) D. Ortho.	3	
d) Any MCI Recognized Super Specialty Qualification FNB / PhD / DSc	3 (for this category uniform 3 marks)	
Total		13
When somebody has all three basic degrees no credit may be given for the D. Ortho.		

#### Marking Criteria – 2

Sr. No.	Experience	Maximum Marks

a)	3 years after MS Ortho, 1 mark each for every subsequent 3 years	5
b)	Teaching Experience, 1 mark for every 3 years (JR/SR/Registrar/Demo. not included)	2
Total		7

### Marking Criteria – 3

Publications (Publications / Presentations on the same subject will be not considered for two different marking)		Maximum Marks
a)	IJO / Indexed Journal - 2 marks for each publication as author and 1 mark for as co-author.	10
b)	Publication in International Journals- 2 marks for each publication as author and 1 mark for as co-author.	10
c)	Publications of a book (Orthopaedic) as a author / editor (2 mark for each) as a co-author / co-editor (1 mark for each)	4
	Publications in book (Orthopaedic) as a author of a chapter (1 mark for each) as a co-author of a chapter (0.5 mark for each)	2
d)	Publication in IOA state chapter / Subspecialty Journal (0.5 marks for each article). Authenticated Xerox copy of the title of the journal and article required for.	4
Total		30

### Marking Criteria – 4

Scientific Presentations (validation from certifying authority required)		Maximum Marks
a)	CME / ICL Lecture of IOA (1 mark for each lecture).	3
b)	CME Lecture of state chapter (0.5 marks for each lecture).	3
c)	Paper / Poster Presentation in IOACON - Only the presenter will get the credit (1 mark for each paper) (0.5 mark for each poster)	6
d)	Paper / Poster Presentation in State chapter / subspecialty conferences (0.5 marks for each paper).	4
e)	International Meets Out-Side India / International conference of national or professional bodies (1 mark for each paper presented) (0.5 mark for each poster presented).	4
f)	International Meets In-Side India / International conference of national or professional bodies (1mark for each paper presented) (0.5 mark for each poster presented).	4
g)	Conferences attended: IOACON & International conference abroad (1 mark for each conference) International conference in India & State chapter and subspecialty conferences (0.5 mark for each conference).	4
Total		28

### Marking Criteria - 5

Special Marks (Validation Required)		Maximum Marks
a)	Academic Awards in IOACON (1 mark each).	3
b)	Convener of national meets (IOACON / Sub-Specialty) (1 mark each).	2
c)	Awards in State Conferences (0.5 mark each).	1
d)	Convener of state chapter meets / symposia and workshop (0.5 mark each).	2
e)	Any National awards / National academic awards / outstanding social works.	2
f)	Talent exhibited for the development of Orthopaedic (like implant and surgical technique) / Patented design.	2
g)	Research (2 marks for completed ICMR / CSIR research fellowship & 1 mark for each accredited research programme conducted).	5
h)	Fellowships (1 mark for each IOA Fellowship & 1 mark for each Non IOA / State Chapter Fellowship).	3
i)	Office bearer of IOA / President or Secretary of State Chapter of IOA.	2
Total		22

### **Interview: 20 Marks**

The interviewer should take into account many aspects for the evaluation of the candidate for the suitability for the fellowship.

While certain minimum characteristics are desirable for any award of fellowship, the Candidates should exhibit commitment to career & profession, commitment to self and commitment to society besides having a pleasing personality & positive approach to life.

#### **During Interview Candidates Should Demonstrate:**

A considerable degree of maturity, self-reliance, self-discipline, and resourcefulness

Initiative, drive, and a willingness to see things through to the end

The potential to become leaders, opinion formers, and decision makers

Strong preparation for the proposed course of study of the fellowship or research

An outstanding track record of non-academic and academic involvement

A commitment to community

An intellectually well-rounded and broad set of interests with engaging personality

Critical thinking skills

Outstanding communication skills

How and why a particular fellowship will enhance their career goals

Potential to put the experience to good use

Potential to act as an ambassador and positive representative for the scholarship awarded & for the Indian Orthopaedic Association

#### **Presently the following Foreign Fellowships are available:**



### **1. IOA – RL Mittal Fellowship for SICOT Conference:**

**[Available for this year]** Members of IOA who are not more than 45 years of age on the day prior to the start of SICOT congress are eligible to apply. This is available only once in 3 years where the SICOT international conference is held. An authenticated proof of age has to be submitted by the applicant.

The applicant must possess post graduate degree such as M.S. (Ortho.) or equivalent qualification as recognized by M.C.I.

Acceptance of a lecture or an oral Free Paper will be essential for selection for this fellowship and proof of its acceptance has to be submitted by the applicants for this award.

A panel of three names will be prepared and the most eligible will be finally selected.

For this fellowship, Dr. R.L. Mittal will also be one of the members of the existing Foreign Fellowship Committee. The foreign fellowship secretary will start the process of selection at least one year in advance so as to finish in time. 6/10 copies of the application, duly completed along with the requisite documents (attested by gazetted officer or a past president of IOA i.e. degree professional experience, list of National and International publications including books along with reprints of his/her best publications, presentation at regional, national and international conferences- oral (Lecture or free paper), poster, video etc. with proofs should be submitted by the applicant by registered post only.

A lump sum grant of 80% of the interest or Rs. One Lakh 1,00,000/- whichever is less will be given by the IOA as a partial financial assistance to the selected candidate, who will himself be responsible to arrange for his passport, visa, registration for the conference, travel, stay and maintenance during the conference.

The 20% of the interest of the amount saved will be added to the corpus, 50% amount can be availed by the selected candidate before the conference. Grant by IOA:

A certificate will be awarded to the fellow at the next IOA annual conference, after the SICOT meet. The fellow will submit a report within a month of his return from the

conference, mentioning the benefit to him from activities of the conference as well as his contribution. He will only be paid the rest of the 50% of the amount of the fellowship. The report will be published in the Indian Journal of Orthopaedics. (This fellowship is available in the interval of three years).

## **2. IOA - Dr Dilip K Sengupta Fellowship (Previously Dartmouth Hitchcock Fellowship): *[Not Available in this year]***

\* Dr Dilip K. Sengupta is moved from Dartmouth to Texas in the year 2014. As he is no longer associated with Dartmouth, he started this foreign fellowship of IOA at Texas Back Institute.

\* The name of IOA Dartmouth fellowship changed to IOA - Dr Dilip K Sengupta Fellowship in 2015.

\* This fellowship has been sponsored by Dr Dilip K. Sengupta, MD, Dr. Med, Attending Spine Surgeon and Director Clinical Research, Texas Back Institute, Mansfield Methodist Medical Center 2800 E Broad Street, # 522 Mansfield, TX 76063 USA.

\* This will be a fellowship where the selected fellow will visit Texas Back Institute for a period of four-six weeks.

\* This fellowship is restricted to person with especial interest in SPINE.

\* The fellow should be below 50 years of age.

\* The fellow will be selected by the IOA on the basis of an open competition.

\* The expenses of the fellow will be reimbursed by Dr Dilip K. Sengupta. His accommodation and training and participation in a short research project will be organized by the Dr Dilip K. Sengupta at Texas Back Institute.

\* The fellow will be expected to make one scientific presentation in the Orthopaedic department, preferably related to his experience or research in India. The fellowship training will be recognized by the ACCME in USA and will receive an appropriate certificate from the Texas Back Institute. The fellow has to obtain a visitor visa (B-1).

(IOA - Dartmouth Hitchcock Fellowship: The IOA - Dartmouth fellowship was established in 2006, and it was in the State of New Hampshire. Dr Dilip K Sengupta had been able to run it successfully in Dartmouth during 2006-2014).

\* Dr. Dilip K Sengupta has problems with the Texas Medical Board and the individual HOSPITAL to permit the travelling fellow from India. As The rules across the country (US) have changed, and have become more stringent. Texas is one of the most difficult states to get permission for the physicians to observe or practice medicine! In the State of Texas, the visiting doctors need credentialing from the Texas State Medical Board as well as the hospital! In view of the above, he would like to request the IOA executive committee to hold off the Traveling fellowship to my institute for 2016.

**3. IOA – IOS UK Senior Fellowship:** Started in 2008 by Dr. HKT Raza President IOA (2007). Every year one fellow is selected by Indian Orthopaedic Society United Kingdom IOS UK. (Hon secretary, IOA is entitled to go his 1st year term as senior fellow without any selection). The IOA would provide Rs. One Lakh 1,00,000/- for the fellowship. Local hospitality is provided by IOS-UK. The fellow should be above 45 years of age.

Provisional Programme: The fellowship is of two weeks duration. The programme includes visiting centers of excellence, giving lectures and attending the British Orthopaedic Association Annual Meeting.



**4. IOA – IOS UK Junior Fellowship:** Started in 2008 by Dr. HKT Raza President IOA (2007). Every year one fellow is selected by Indian Orthopaedic Society United Kingdom IOS UK. The IOA would provide Rs. One Lakh 1,00,000/- for the fellowship. Local hospitality is provided by IOA-UK. The fellow should be below 45 years of age.

Dr. HKT Raza liaised with IOS UK and a proposal was passed during his tour to UK conference as president, IOA, year 2007 that one junior and one senior level fellowship along with fellow's selected by IOS. The IOA would provide Rs.50,000/- each for the fellowship. And these fellowships have started from the year 2008. During meeting of IOA president and secretary, IOA in 2008 along with BOA President at BOA, Liverpool. The following decisions were made:

- a) President of BOA agreed to invite President of IOA in future its annual meetings and reciprocally all future BOA Presidents will be invited for future IOACONs.
- b) President, BOA agreed to subsidized rate of registration for Indian delegates desirous of attending BOA meeting.
- c) Formally agreed for educational exchange between two countries.

#### **5. IOA - AOA Exchange Fellowship:**

**[Not for this year, available for next year]** Started in 2009 by the efforts of Dr. HKT Raza President IOA (2007). Regarding this fellowship, Australian Orthopaedic Association provides 2 fellowships for IOA members. Reciprocating to that effort, IOA would give two travelling fellowships to Australian Orthopaedic Association members. The fund allocated to that is Rs. One lakh each. One year IOA fellows will go there and one year their fellows will come in India. (One year gap). There is no age limit.

#### **6. IOA – Singapore Ambassadorship (Singapore Orthopaedic Association):**

This ambassadorship is aimed at young IOA members – till 40 years of age who would go and represent IOA in the annual conferences of above three associations. Local hospitality, accommodation and registration are provided by the host country. Economic air fare will be provided by IOA.

#### **7. IOA - Hong Kong Ambassadorship (Hong Kong Orthopaedic Association):**

This ambassadorship is aimed at young IOA members – till 40 years of age who would go and represent IOA in the annual conferences of above three associations. Local hospitality, accommodation and registration are provided by the host country. Economic air fare will be provided by IOA.



#### **8. IOA - Indo Irish Fellowship (Irish Orthopaedic Association):**

This fellowship is started in year 2016 by the Dr Sudhir K Kapoor (President IOA 2016) with the Irish Orthopaedic Association by the help of Dr Anant Mahapatra <mahapatra.anant@gmail.com> of Ireland. One fellow will go from IOA, on 2 weeks fellowship every year and one fellow will come to our annual from Irish Orthopaedic Association. This fellowship is equivalent to IOA Arthroplasty Fellowship.

#### **9. IOA Arthroplasty Fellowship:**

Executive Body & General Body of IOACON 2015 scrapped the DePuy (Johnson & Johnson) fellowship & changed the name to “IOA Arthroplasty Fellowship” with the same selection criteria as of IOA - DePuy (Johnson & Johnson) Fellowship.

The selected candidate has to visit and work in Arthroplasty centre outside the country for two weeks. The selected fellow will have to arrange for the centre and inform the fellowship committee. A sum of Rs. One Lakh Rs. 1,00,000/- would be paid by IOA.

#### **10. IOA - Glasgow Fellowship:**

The fellowship was started by Mr. Kamal Deep in association with Indian Orthopaedic Association in 2011 with aim to impart excellence in Arthroplasty techniques and computer navigation to young arthroplasty surgeons. Having done basic orthopaedic training in India, Mr. Deep felt obliged to contribute to the progress of orthopaedic science for the benefit of patients in his country of origin, India. Thus he started this fellowship in his speciality field of joint replacement surgery and use of computer navigation assisted techniques.



Following 3 years of negotiations with involved bodies the fellowship was approved by the Golden Jubilee National Hospital, Deanery and Royal College of surgeons Glasgow. With excellent support of the IOA, the fellowship has grown and is well accepted. The 1st Fellowship was awarded in 2011. In 2014 another fellowship was added with aim to train in foot and ankle surgery with Mr. Kalpesh Shah, foot and ankle specialist at Golden Jubilee National Hospital. Presently two fellows are selected by the IOA, IOS UK and Golden Jubilee Hospital consultant panel.



Mr Kamal Deep



Mr Kalpesh Shah

#### Information/criteria about IOA Glasgow Fellowship

Two fellowships are offered in this scheme in the Golden Jubilee National Hospital, Glasgow, U.K. This Fellowship is for one year & is as follows.

- I) Arthroplasty: Two 6months terms in Hip & knee Arthroplasty including computer navigation. There will be some addition of arthroscopies and ACL reconstruction.
- II) Arthroplasty in Knee & foot surgery: Two 6month terms one in foot and ankle surgery and other in lower limb Arthroplasty. Or both 6 months in foot and ankle surgery depending on availability.

The Eligibility: The Candidate must be a graduate of the WHO recognized Medical School& have a valid Post Graduate Qualification & experience. A minimum 3 years of clinical practice (experience) is required after the orthopaedic qualification. He / She will be required to give reference of two non UK sponsors with whom he has worked in last 12 months and within 2 yrs respectively. The overseas sponsor would be distinguished surgeons known to the UK consultants. The overseas sponsor will be contacted by the Royal College to provide a structured reference to comment on the candidate's competency in relation to the GMC guiding principles of good medical practices& the candidates' clinical

abilities. Those who have failed the PLAB test will not be considered for this fellowship. *Those candidates who are in government employment will need to provide a letter of support from their director or head that they support concerning period out of employment.*

A pass in Academic module on IELTS to an overall score of 7 with minimum score of 7 in each component is required. *It is mandatory to get more than 7 in every component and it is a prerequisite for the interview. Those who had cleared the IELTS will be get preference and entertained in the Skype interview.* A proof of this will be required to be provided. It will be a favorable point if you have already cleared the IELTS exam with above score. The candidate will be required to pay for the registration fees with GMC, home office and Royal College etc. among other requirements the hospital will need police verification checks, references, occupational health department check for infectious diseases.

The Candidates shortlisted by the Association will have an interview with board comprising of among others President/ Secretary of the Association, fellowship chairman, President IOS UK& the consultant orthopaedic surgeon from the Golden Jubilee National Hospital, UK The Fellow & the supervising Trainer will enter into a learning agreement with regular appraisal sand some form of final assessment to confirm that the trainee has received the training. The fellow will be expected to complete at least two research projects during the tenure.