



How to Become a Westar Scholar

- A Westar Scholar must be a scholar in religion or a cognate subject who holds a PhD degree or equivalent from an accredited University or College.
 - A Westar Scholar engages in the critical study of religion with the community of Westar scholars and is committed to sharing the result of study with the public in non-technical, accessible language.
 - A critical scholar is defined as one whose commitment to a methodology or set of methodologies is not compromised by presumed theological doctrines or other unexamined biases.
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1. Ethos and Curriculum Vitae

- a. Read the Westar Ethos and Protocol Document. You must indicate that you have read and are in agreement with the document. See [Ethos and Protocol](#)
- b. Send a current version of your C.V. to Westar Executive Director David Galston (dgalston@westarinstitute.org). Indicate to David that you have read the Ethos and Protocol agreement and attach your C.V.

2. Westar Credentials Committee.

Your C.V. will be reviewed by the Credentials Committee. The Westar Executive Director will inform you of your acceptance as a Westar Scholar.

3. Sign up and pay the \$85.00 USD annual fee.

The membership fee supports the work of Westar. As a Westar Scholar, you will receive the FourthR magazine and the academic journal *Forum*.

Your membership will be activated when you pay your membership fee.

After this process is completed, you will be contacted by Linda Hodges, Westar's Communications Director, about placing your picture and an entry about your scholarship on the Westar Website (see [Meet the Fellows](#)).

Thank you for your interest in Westar

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Galston".

David Galston

In the event you pay the membership fee first and your application is unsuccessful, the fee will be fully refunded or an alternative membership offered.