

Student Membership Application 2025–2026

Applicant Information *Fill out if paying by check or money order. **All fields required** (home and mobile phone - optional)*

First Name _____ M.I. _____ Last Name _____ Suffix/Designation _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Country _____

Daytime Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Mobile Phone _____ Email _____

In submitting this application, I confirm that I am qualified for the selected membership category and that I agree to abide by the ACA Code of Ethics.

Select Your Student Membership

- ☐ **\$105 Student:** Individuals who are enrolled at least half-time in a regionally accredited college or university recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. Please indicate date of graduation (month/year) _____/_____ and institution _____

Please indicate education level ☐ Master's ☐ Doctoral

Master's – Membership term is up to two years. An additional year may be granted with proof of continued registration and/or special circumstances.

Doctoral – Membership term is up to four years (unless proof is provided indicating program allows more time for completion).

*Applicant must provide **documented proof of program participation** on university/college letterhead [e.g., current academic year unofficial/official transcript, current semester registration or current academic year (degree program) acceptance letter]. Documentation proof must be submitted via email to memberservices@counseling.org **within one week** of applying for student membership status.*

Choose Your Division Student Membership Dues (optional)

I wish to enhance my student professional opportunities by joining the following Divisions.

Print Division acronyms in spaces provided below and enter appropriate fees. See chart on next page for Division.

1) _____ ☐ Student Dues \$ _____

2) _____ ☐ Student Dues \$ _____

3) _____ ☐ Student Dues \$ _____

There shall be no discrimination against any individual on the basis of ethnic group, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, and/or disability.

ACA Foundation Tax-Deductible Contribution

The American Counseling Association Foundation, an organization separate from the American Counseling Association, moves quickly in times of crisis and provides funding where the need is greatest for ACA members and the clients we serve. The foundation receives no funding from ACA member-dues payments. Please support the American Counseling Association Foundation by making a tax-deductible contribution today.

☐ \$5 ☐ \$10 ☐ Other \$ _____

Total of Student Membership Dues

ACA Student Membership \$ _____

Division Student Membership \$ _____

\$10 Processing fee* (if applicable) \$ _____

ACA Foundation Tax-Deductible Contribution \$ _____

Total Amount Remitted \$ _____

**If you are NOT an ACA member and are joining one or more of the divisions, add the \$10 processing fee to your total amount.*

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Annual – 1 payment in full

Quarterly – 4 payments paid equally each quarter

Current members: To sign up for a division, contact Member Services at 800-298-2276, M–F 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., ET.

New members: Can add a division online with ACA membership

PAYMENT METHOD

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Make check or money order, payable to the American Counseling Association in U.S. funds.

Credit Card Payments: New First-Time Members - To join ACA and add one or more divisions online using your debit/credit card, log in to access/create your profile at counseling.org/membership. If you are a current ACA member and wish to join one or more divisions, please contact Member Services at 800-298-2276 for assistance.

ACA Student Membership Cancellation/Refund Policy: Membership cancellations received within 30 days of payment may be eligible for a full refund. Cancellations received after 30 days of membership may be eligible for a refund less a \$25 service fee. Membership cancellations after 60 days of membership are not eligible for a refund. Cancellations are accepted by email at memberservices@counseling.org and must be received by the cancellation deadline.

Mail ACA Application to:

American Counseling Association
Attn: Finance Department
2461 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 300
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Questions:

Member Services
703-823-9801 | 800-298-2276
M–F 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., ET

ACA Divisions

ACA Divisions are a great way to add value to your student membership. Divisions give you access to information, research, and a network of professionals practicing in your specialty.

Association for Adult Development and Aging (AADA)

Focuses on adult development and aging issues as well as addressing counseling concerns throughout the life span.

Student Dues: \$34

Association for Assessment and Research in Counseling (AARC)

Promotes the effective use of assessment in the counseling profession.

Student Dues: \$25*

Association for Child and Adolescent Counseling (ACAC)

Supports and provides information to counselors working with children and adolescents in a multitude of settings.

Student Dues: \$45

Association for Creativity in Counseling (ACC)

Brings together counselors, counselor educators, creative arts therapists and counselors in training to explore unique and diverse approaches to counseling.

Student Dues: \$50

American College Counseling Association (ACCA)

Fosters student development in colleges, universities, and community colleges.

Student Dues: \$55*

Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (ACES)

Stresses quality education and supervision for counselors in all settings.

Student Dues: \$57*

Association of Counseling Sexology and Sexual Wellness (ACSSW)

Promotes sexuality as a core aspect of humanity, shaped by both interpersonal and intrapersonal factors across age, race, ethnicity, religion, gender identity and expression, physical and mental health ability, and socioeconomic status.

Student Dues: \$40*

Association for Humanistic Counseling (AHC)

Provides a forum for the exchange of information about humanistically-oriented counseling practices and promotes the growing body of knowledge about humanistic principles applied to human development and potential.

Student Dues: \$35

Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development (AMCD)

Strives to improve cultural, ethnic and racial empathy and understanding.

Student Dues: \$30

American Rehabilitation Counseling Association (ARCA)

Brings together rehabilitation counseling practitioners, educators, and students who serve people with disabilities throughout their life span.

Student Dues: \$35*

Association for Spiritual, Ethical, and Religious Values in Counseling (ASERVIC)

Promotes spiritual, ethical, religious, and other human values within the discipline of counseling.

Student Dues: \$20

Association for Specialists in Group Work (ASGW)

Provides professional leadership and research in the field of group work, as well as establishes standards for professional training.

Student Dues: \$37*

Counselors for Social Justice (CSJ)

A community of counselors, counselor educators, graduate students, and school and community leaders who seek equity and an end to oppression and injustice affecting clients, students, counselors, families, communities, schools, workplaces, governments, and other social and institutional systems.

Student Dues: \$20*

International Association of Addictions and Offender Counselors (IAAOC)

Advocates for the development of effective counseling and rehabilitation programs for people with substance abuse problems, other addictions, and adult and/or juvenile public offenders.

Student Dues: \$30

International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors (IAMFC)

Helps develop healthy family systems through prevention, education, and therapy.

Student Dues: \$44*

International Association for Resilience and Trauma Counseling (IARTC)

Promotes the development of professional counselors to advance ACA, the counseling profession, and the ethical practice of counseling through trauma-informed practices, respect for human dignity, cultural inclusivity, and resilience.

Student Dues: \$30*

Military and Government Counseling Association (MGCA)

Addresses the unique needs of clients and families in local, state, and federal government or in military-related agencies.

Student Dues: \$25

National Career Development Association (NCDA)

Promotes career development for all people across the life span through public information, member services, conferences, and publications.

Student Dues: \$40* **

National Employment Counseling Association (NECA)

Committed to offering professional leadership to people who counsel in employment and/or career development.

Student Dues: \$25* **

Society for Sexual, Affectional, Intersex, and Gender Expansive Identities (SAIGE)

Educates counselors to the unique needs of client identity development; and a non-threatening counseling environment by aiding in the reduction of stereotypical thinking and homophobia.

Student Dues: \$34* **

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** To ONLY join **NECA**, please visit www.employmentcounseling.org

** To ONLY join **SAIGE**, please visit www.saigecounseling.org

** To ONLY join **NCDA**, please visit www.ncda.org/aws/NCDA/pt/sp/membership_join