

MEDICAL STUDENT MEMBERS – GET INVOLVED IN ACP

Council of Student Members Call for Nominations

The American College of Physicians (ACP) strives to represent the diversity within the medical student member population in filling open seats on the Council of Student Members (CSM). The CSM is responsible for responding to requests from the Board of Regents, committees and staff for review of programs, products and services, and advising the Board of Regents and Board of Governors on:

- Promoting internal medicine as a career
- Increasing the value of ACP membership to medical students
- Strengthening chapter and medical school level activities
- Aligning council activities with the College's [Priority Themes](#)

To be eligible, you must be an ACP Medical Student Member who is enrolled in medical school and in good academic standing, with a graduation date of May 2022 or beyond. You must remain a Medical Student Member and in good academic standing throughout your time on the CSM.

To be an effective council member you must commit to:

- Serving on the CSM for a one- to three- year term, beginning at the conclusion of the May 2021 Annual Business Meeting and Town Hall, traditionally held during ACP's Internal Medicine Meeting, and ending upon graduation from medical school.
- Participating in ACP Internal Medicine Meetings during your term including attendance at CSM meetings and facilitation of medical student activities, as appropriate, during the meeting. ACP Internal Medicine Meeting 2021 is scheduled to be held in Orlando, FL from April 29-May 1.
- Traveling to Philadelphia once each year, as appropriate, for a council meeting and participating in several additional virtual meetings. The CSM in-person meeting is typically held in early August. **Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic decisions about whether meetings will be held in-person or virtually will be made at a later date.**
- Possibly serving as the medical student representative on one of the College's [committees](#). Serving on a committee will require at least one additional trip to Philadelphia or Washington, D.C.
- Adhering to ACP's Disclosure of Interest and Management of Conflicts Policy and disclosing any relevant interests via the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) CONVEY system for council participation.
- Spending approximately 1-2 hours bimonthly on council activities. Anticipated activities in which council members may participate include:

- Identifying and developing educational programming for medical students who attend ACP Internal Medicine Meetings;
- Reviewing and contributing to the development of programming for Internal Medicine Interest Groups;
- Developing communications to Medical Student Members, Internal Medicine Interest Group Leaders, and ACP Chapters.
- Contributing articles to *IMPact*, ACP's e-newsletter for medical students.

If you have specific interest in contributing to any of the above activities or have other areas of interest that you believe will benefit the council and College, please comment on these in your nominating letter.

Open Seats: The council has multiple seats to fill for this election cycle. If you are interested in running for an open seat and meet the eligibility requirements of a Medical Student Member as outlined, please follow the submission instructions below.

How to Apply:

Nomination materials must be submitted via e-mail to acpgovernance@acponline.org no later than **November 1, 2020**.

The council candidate application package should include:

- Curriculum Vitae
- One–page nominating letter written by the candidate. This letter should include details about what makes you best suited for the council.
- One letter of support. The letter of support should explain why, from the letter writer's perspective, you are qualified to serve on the council. Only one letter of support will be considered per candidate and must be from an ACP Regent, Governor, Fellow, or Member. If a candidate obtains more than one letter of support, the candidate will be asked to select one for submission.
- Letter from your school indicating you are in good academic standing.

The council will conduct elections in December, taking into consideration each candidate's leadership/work experience, ACP involvement and potential contributions to the council, and candidates will be notified of the results by the end of December. Questions regarding the elections should be sent to ACP staff at acpgovernance@acponline.org.