

Positions Now Open for APA Governance – Nominations Deadline: 1.31.25*

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Board and Committee Call for Nominations

APA is engaged in a process of transformation, placing a much greater emphasis on making an impact that clearly benefits society and improves lives. In February 2024 the Council of Representatives revised and adopted its 2019 [strategic plan](#) that sets APA's organizational priorities for the next three to five years. APA groups actively collaborate across APA to align the work of elected and appointed leaders, staff, and the broader membership in service of advancing the strategic plan. Given the importance of this approach to the Association's strategic priorities, APA encourages nominees to review the strategic plan to become familiar with the larger context in which their expertise and interests will contribute to APA's success.

Boards and committees typically have one hybrid and one virtual meeting each year as well as monthly calls, but this varies depending on the group. Additional details can be found in the description for each board and committee. A video platform, such as Zoom, is used for all virtual calls and meetings.

The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2025. All nominations must be submitted using the online form.

Nominations are reviewed by individual boards and committees throughout the spring. The Board of Directors subsequently reviews and confirms committee members appointed by the Board of Directors August. Notifications about the committee appointments will be sent to nominees by early September.

If you have any questions, please contact the Election Office at elections@apa.org.

A. Nominations are sought for the following boards and committees whose members are elected by the **Council of Representatives**:

Unless noted otherwise board and committee terms commence January 1, 2026. See <https://nomination.apa.org/> for links for more information on each Board or Committee.

1. [Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest](#)

The Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public interest (BAPPI) has three seats open, each elected for three-year terms. BAPPI encourages nominations from experts in disability advocacy, racial equity, multiculturalism, health equity, geropsychology, environmental justice, organizational psychology, technology, or policy.

***NOTE: Except as noted, all nominees must be members or fellows of APA noted.
All nominations except for Amicus Curiae Panel are due January 31, 2025.**

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2. [Board of Educational Affairs](#)

The Board of Educational Affairs (BEA) has **four seats open**, each elected for three-year terms. BEA encourages nominations from psychologists with expertise in the Application of Psychology to Schools and Education; **Precollege and Undergraduate Education in Psychology; Continuing Education and Lifelong Learning;** and Board of Scientific Affairs Representative.

3. [Board of Professional Affairs](#)

The Board of Professional Affairs (BPA) has four seats open, each elected for three-year terms. BPA encourages nominations from experts in Child, Adolescent & Family Services; Institutional Practice / Health Care Systems Leadership; **Applied Psychology Practice; and Licensing and State Regulations.**

4. [Board of Scientific Affairs](#)

The Board of Scientific Affairs (BSA) has three seats open, each elected for three-year terms. BSA encourages nominations in the areas of Health and Social Psychology; Behavioral/Developmental Neuroscience/Comparative Psychology; **Quantitative Psychology (Methodology/Statistics); Modern Data Science Technology (e.g., Educational Technology/Testing, Generative AI, and Human Factors Psychology, Big Data Science, Science Ethics).**

5. [Commission for the Recognition of Specialties and Subsidiaries in Professional Psychology](#)

The Commission seeks nominations to fill four seats, elected for three-year terms: one seat representing education (BEA), one vacancy representing practice (BPA), one vacancy representing public interest (BAPPI), and one vacancy representing early career psychologists (ECP). Commissioners shall also be nominated in such a fashion that ensures representation among them of (a) the broad scope of the practice of professional psychology, its scientific bases, and the Association's commitment to diversity and the public interest, and (b) an array of expertise in such matters as professional education and training, practitioner credentialing, program accreditation, continuing professional development, the identification of emerging patterns of practice, marketplace issues, legal/regulatory affairs, comprehensive and long-range knowledge of the development of specialties and the education and training system, student perspectives, consumer perspectives, evidence-based practice and/or science background.

6. [Committee for Global Psychology](#)

The Committee for Global Psychology (CGP) **seeks APA affiliate and full members who are concerned with, knowledgeable about, and committed to advancing APA's impact from a global perspective.** Experience in international teaching/training, research, service, leadership, or policy is desired. The committee has three seats open each seat will be elected to serve a three-year term.

7. [Committee for the Advancement of General Applied Psychology](#)

The Committee for the Advancement of General Applied Psychology (CAGAP) **has four**

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seats open, each elected for three-year terms. CAGAP builds on the work initiated by the Exploratory Committee on Applied Psychology, a time-limited group designed to explore a more specific representation of applied psychology within APA's elected and appointed leadership structure. CAGAP is seeking nominees with experience aligning with the following slates: Early Career Psychologist; Graduate Student Representative; Social Psychologist; and Legal and/or Government Sector.

8. [Committee on Rural Health](#)

The Committee on Rural Health (CRH) seeks to fill three slates with any nominees who are interested in the full breadth of issues affecting the health of persons living in rural and remote regions. CRH seeks nominations from individuals who are cultural, ethnic, or linguistic minority, individuals in private practice who is committed to service delivery for rural populations; and individuals with expertise in public health and advocacy.

9. [Ethics Committee](#)

The Ethics Committee has two seats open, each elected for three-year terms. Nominations are sought for a **Practitioner (Licensing Board experience preferred)** and **Public Member (non-psychologist)**.

10. [Finance Committee](#)

The Finance Committee has two seats open, each elected for terms of three years. One slate shall be drawn **from current Council members or Finance Committee members who have served within the previous seven years** (including outgoing members of the Finance Committee); the second slate shall be drawn from APA members who have demonstrated interest and expertise in organizational financial policies and operations.

11. [Membership Board](#)

The Membership Board has three seats open, each elected for three-year terms. Nominations are sought for the following areas **applied**, education, and social media/technology.

12. [Policy and Planning Board](#)

The Policy and Planning Board (P&P) has three seats open, each elected for three-year terms. P&P encourages nominations from **members in any career stages and graduate students**.

13. [Publications and Communications Board](#)

The Publications and Communications (P&C) Board has one open seat to be elected for a six-year term. P&C seeks nominees from psychologists whose primary expertise is in Adult clinical; Psychopharmacology; Animal research; **Public policy and law; Psychological intervention and prevention science**; and Disability studies. The newly elected candidate will be formally seated on July 1, 2025.

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B. Nominations are sought for the following committees whose members are appointed by the Board of Directors:

1. [Committee for Postdoctoral Education and Training Programs in Psychopharmacology for Prescriptive Authority](#)

The Designation Committee for Postdoctoral Education and Training Programs in Psychopharmacology for Prescriptive Authority (RxP Designation Committee) seeks nominations to fill two seats. The appointees will serve a three-year term beginning January 1, 2025.

2. [Committee on Aging](#)

The Committee on Aging (CONA) has three seats open, each for three-year terms. CONA seeks nominees with expertise in research, practice, or policy/advocacy expertise in human rights and freedom from discrimination for **older adults or aging-related basic; and aging-related basic or translational science in subdisciplines other than clinical or counseling psychology (e.g., behavioral neuroscience, cognitive, developmental, social)**.

3. [Committee on Animal Research and Ethics](#)

The Committee on Animal Research and Ethics (CARE) has two seats open, each elected for three-year terms. CARE encourages nominations of scientists who work in the following focus areas, to be considered broadly: effects of social integration on health across the lifespan; stress and behavior; nontraditional, nonmammalian model species; integration of animal research and alternatives to animal research; and comparative psychology.

4. [Committee on Associate and Baccalaureate Education](#)

The Committee on Associate and Baccalaureate Education (CABE) has three seats open, each elected for three-year terms. CABE is seeking to fill two seats for members who teach psychology at associate degree-granting institutions and **one seat for a member who teaches psychology at a baccalaureate degree-granting institution**.

5. [Committee on Children, Youth, and Families](#)

The Committee on Children, Youth and Families (CYF) is pleased to invite nominations for service on the committee. There are two open seats, each appointed to serve three-year terms. CYF the nominees should have expertise in one or more of the following areas: understudied and underserved culturally and linguistically diverse, understudied, underserved and diverse populations; and partnering with the community or other professional, governmental, and other types of organizations.

6. [Committee on Disability Issues in Psychology](#) The Committee on Disability Issues in Psychology (CDIP) has two seats open, each elected for three-year terms. One seat is designated for a graduate student member. Nominations **for experts that have professional and/or lived experience with disability aligning with disability advocacy and/or activism** are encouraged to apply. In addition, nominee should have research,

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teaching, or practice-based expertise in one or more of the areas directly related to CDOP's mission.

7. [Committee on Division/APA Relations](#)

The Committee on Division/APA Relations (CODAPAR) has two seats open, each for three-year terms. CODAPAR strongly encourages the nomination of individuals with **diverse identities** (e.g. race, ethnicity, culture, gender, gender identity and expression, and sexual orientation).

8. [Committee on Early Career Psychologists](#)

The Committee on Early Career Psychologists (CECP) has three seats open for a (1) Education Representative, (2) Governance and Membership Representative, and (3) State, Provincial, and Territorial Psychological Associations (SPTAs) Representative. Committee members will serve a three-year term (2026-2028).

9. [Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs](#)

The Committee on Ethnic Minority Affairs (CEMA) has two seats open, each elected for three-year terms. **CEMA is seeking nominees with life experience as an Asian American man and/or nonbinary individual; and African American woman and/or nonbinary individual.** In addition, CEMA candidates should have research, teaching, or practice-based expertise in one or more of the following areas: **Strong leadership skills; Advocacy and/or policy experience;** Experience working within interdisciplinary teams and/or integrated care settings; and, Special consideration will be given to those applicants whose education, training, experiences, and/or expertise represents **basic and/or applied areas of psychological science/research.**

10. [Committee on Health Equity](#)

The Committee on Health Equity Committee (Che) has two seats open, each elected for three-year terms. CHE is seeking nominees with research, teaching, or practice-based expertise in one or more of the following areas: human rights based approaches to advance Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion; addressing racism as a key driver of health inequities; climate change; Anti-racism; and/or population health approaches to behavioral and mental health. Expertise in the following committee identified priorities are also sought: behavioral, biological, psychological, social, and instructional drivers of infectious disease, including but not limited to Covid-19 and HIV/AIDS; communicating science to nonscientists; communicating behavioral and social science through media outlets; knowledge of healthcare systems and policy to advance health equity; and/or expertise in artificial intelligence, older adults, early childhood, and maternal health. The committee encourages nominations from Early Career Professionals, LGBTQI+ professionals, persons living with a mental and/or physical disability, and professionals who are ESL (English as a Second Language) or linguistically diverse.

11. [Committee on Human Research](#)

The Committee on Human Research (CHR) has two seats open, each elected for three-year terms. CHR encourages nominations to fill the following slates: (1) Psychologist

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with expertise in developmental research across the lifespan, focusing on either child or adult development, or both and **(2) Applied Psychologist working in industry, government, or the non-profit sector.**

12. [Committee on Professional Practice and Standards](#)

The Committee on Professional Practice and Standards (COPPS) has three positions open, each elected for three-year terms. COPPS encourages nominations from experts in healthcare and **forensic psychology**, as well as graduate student members.

13. [Committee on Psychological Tests and Assessment](#) The Committee on Psychological Tests and Assessment **seeks nominations to fill three vacancies:** The open slates will represent the Board of Education, Board of Professional Affairs, and Board of Scientific Affairs on current committee composition and specialties of those members rotating off the Committee, expertise requirements for each slate are as follows: school psychology with an emphasis on cultural/gender/diversity measurement; legal/forensic issues, and large scale assessment.

14. [Committee on Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity](#)

The Committee on Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity (CSOGD) has two seats open, each appointed for three-year terms. member. CSOGD seeks nominations in the following areas: Efforts (research, policy, or practice) at the intersection of or related to the effects of ableism, ageism, heterosexism, xenophobia, intersectionality, misogyny, transphobia, and the communities who are particularly impacted by these systems of oppression (e.g., trans femmes of color, asylees/refugees, elders, disabled people, and people with chronic illness); deep understanding on anti-oppressive efforts and community organizing; experience or interest in gender-affirming professional or **community organization leadership**, especially with marginalized groups; professional training and education in providing culturally responsive and gender-affirming clinical healthcare; and community mental health experience, especially with respect to marginalized groups.

15. [Committee on Socioeconomic Status](#)

The Committee on Socioeconomic Status (CSES) has two seats open, each elected for three-year terms. CSES seeks nominees for the following slates: (1) A representative **from educational context(s) and/or demonstrating interest in and commitment to advancing academic understanding of socioeconomic status** and (2) a representative with expertise relevant to the CSES mission statement, with a particular focus **on poverty, social class, and socioeconomic status.**

16. [Committee on Women in Psychology](#)

The Committee on Women in Psychology (CWP) has three seats open, each elected for three-years. CWP is seeking nominees with life experience as a **Black/African American psychologist or American Indian/Indigenous psychologist.** Nominees should have research, teaching, or practice-based expertise in one or more of the following areas women's health/mental health across the lifespan, maternal/reproductive

health/women's health policy; sexualization of women and girls; interpersonal violence; health equity, **and bias, stigma, and discrimination.**

17. [Continuing Education Committee](#)

The Continuing Education Committee (CEC) seeks nominations for four new members to serve three-year terms each. The committee seeks to assemble a professional group committed to lifelong learning and evidence-based practice and education (see APA policy on [Quality Professional Development and Continuing Education](#)).

18. [Fellows Committee](#)

The APA Fellows Committee seeks nominations for two new members for a three-year term. The committee encourages nominations in the following areas basic research/science and practice/applied. The Fellows Committee strongly encourages applications from **fellows in science, academia, and those with racial or ethnic minority identities.**

19. **APA Graduate Student committee.**

1. [American Psychological Association of Graduate Students](#). APAGS is governed by nine officers ([the APAGS Committee](#)) elected by APAGS members along with the chairs of five specialized [subcommittees](#). The nine elected APAGS officers include a chair, past-chair and chair-elect, as well as six members-at-large representing practice, research/academics, education/training, communications/public relations, diversity and membership recruitment/retention. The APAGS subcommittees include the Committee for the **Advancement of Racial and Ethnic Diversity** (CARED), the Advocacy Coordinating Team (ACT), the Committee on Sexual Orientation and Gender Diversity (CSOGD), the Convention Committee and the **Science Committee**. Elected officers of APAGS serve as one method for students' voice to be heard in APA on a variety of graduate student issues—such as financing and market-sensitivity of education and training, and increasing diversity within programs.

C. Seeking Experts to Serve on APA Panels and Ad Hoc Groups

1. APA Amicus Curiae Brief Panel

The American Psychological Association is seeking nominations of up to two individuals to join the [APA Amicus Curiae Brief Expert Panel](#). The panel will be comprised of not more than eight psychologists **tasked with making recommendations to the APA Board of Directors and the Office of General Counsel, based on their own expertise and with input from APA offices and divisions, about significant and timely topics in the psycho-legal arena APA should prioritize in order to provide psychological science to the courts and the judiciary, to benefit APA's *amicus curiae* program, and**

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to develop psycho-legal partnerships with other nonprofit organizations. One member will be designated as panel chair by the APA President.

APA's mission in part is to promote the application of psychological science and knowledge to benefit society and improve lives. One important way APA accomplishes this mission is through its engagement in the psycho-legal arena. This panel serves the following roles:

- Serving as advisory group for the APA *amicus* program.
- Supporting the goal of advocating for the highest quality psychological science with the courts on an unbiased/nonpartisan basis.
- Environmental scanning for key issues pending in the courts that APA should consider for *amicus* brief preparation and submittal, including outreach to Divisions and other experts in relevant fields of psychology.
- Providing assistance to OGC as requested within expertise to support preparation of APA *amicus* briefs.
- Identifying other experts who would be knowledgeable about and appropriate/willing to assist in preparation of *amicus* briefs.
- Possibly sponsoring one or two semi-annual programs (possibly at AP-LS and APA), at which recent and pending *amicus* projects are discussed and feedback/recommendations are solicited from attendees.
- Possibly developing projects or partnerships with the American Bar Association and other groups that could advance APA's psycho-legal goals and interests.

Interested psychologists are asked to self-nominate. Especially encouraged to apply are individuals who will enhance the diversity of backgrounds and perspectives on the panel, including individuals at early stages of their careers.

Areas of Expertise Sought

Nominations are sought from individuals with expertise in such areas of research or special expertise as:

- Death penalty, sentencing, prisons, false confessions, conditions of confinement.
- Civil rights, **employment issues**, LGBTQ+, gender, race and/or ethnicity, disability rights.
- Reproductive rights/freedoms.
- Impact of **cultural competence, racial, and ethnic issues** on the accurate interpretation of human behavior.

Timeframe and Meetings

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Meetings will generally be conducted monthly in English through video or telephone conference calls (no travel will be required). APA will provide staff support for the panel's activities.

The panel will be asked to make periodic reports to the APA Board of Directors.

Nomination Process

Individuals who wish to be considered for membership on the panel should submit the following:

- Statement of willingness to serve a full year on the panel, and willingness to consider a one-year renewal to the panel, at the will of the APA President.
- Brief description (two pages maximum) of expertise and qualifications related to the areas described above.
- Current curriculum vitae.
- Completion of the Conflict-of-Interest statement and diversity matrix identifying substantive expertise, work setting, demographic diversity and other variables within the Nominations Portal.

Nomination materials should be submitted by the nominees themselves. Endorsements from other individuals or groups are not expected.

Please read all questions carefully and answer as completely as possible. Required information is marked with an asterisk and must be completed in order for your nomination to be considered. **Your application must be "Submitted as Final" by 11:59pm (EDT) on February 9, 2025.**

2. Join APA's Climate Change Community of Scholars and Practitioners

This Community is comprised of scholars and practitioners dedicated to addressing the impact of climate change on society. Openings are currently available and applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Community members support APA's efforts by:

- promoting the importance of psychological science in addressing climate change
- **helping build connections between APA and influential organizations/individuals working on climate change**
- providing advice, guidance, and expertise to APA staff on matters of climate science and policy
- responding to correspondence from APA staff and interacting with other Advisory Group members in electronic discussions

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- attending on-line meetings scheduled by APA staff, which may occur twice a year

How to Apply: The nomination must be completed online and include the following:

- CV
- A brief letter of intent, not to exceed two pages, that includes:
 - Willingness to partake in community engagements
 - Description of the nominee's qualifications, specifically highlighting how the nominee might contribute to the efforts mentioned above

For additional information about the application process, please contact Mark Chan at oap@apa.org

3. 2024 Advocacy Coordinating Committee Call for Nominations

The 2024 Advocacy Coordinating Committee call for nominations is now closed. Please check back later to participate in the next nomination cycle.

Information regarding Advocacy Coordinating Committee may be found at <https://www.apaservices.org/advocacy/governance>.