

Earn the  
**FAPA**  
designation

# Become a Fellow

of the American Psychiatric Association

FELLOW STATUS IS AN HONOR THAT REFLECTS  
YOUR DEDICATION TO THE WORK OF THE APA  
AND SIGNIFIES YOUR ALLEGIANCE TO  
THE PSYCHIATRIC PROFESSION.

Revised  
guidelines  
make it even  
**EASIER**  
to apply!



*Are you ready to take the next step in your professional career?*

## ■ Why become an APA Fellow?

Being a Fellow is an honorary designation to recognize early career members who have demonstrated allegiance to their profession and commitment to the on-going work of the Association.

Members who pursue Fellow status perceive it as one of the first steps to enhancement of their professional credentials.

- » Fellows are recognized by their colleagues in the Association as a member of a very select group, inasmuch as members are identified by their member class at all APA functions.
- » Fellows are permitted the use of the FAPA designation on all of their professional documentation.
- » All newly appointed Fellows are publicly recognized at the Convocation of Fellows and Distinguished Fellows, which is held every year during the APA's Annual Meeting.
- » Fellows receive a lapel pin as a symbol of their status and an embossed Fellow certificate to display with pride in their office.
- » Annual dues rates for General Members and Fellows are the same.

## ■ What are the guidelines and criteria for eligibility?

- » Certification by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or the American Osteopathic Association
- » 30-day review period for the district branch to offer comments about the Fellowship candidate
- » Approval by the APA Membership Committee
- » Approval by the APA Board of Trustees

## ■ How do I apply?

If you meet all of the requirements, complete the enclosed Fellowship application or go to [www.psychiatry.org](http://www.psychiatry.org) to download an application.

Your application must be submitted to the American Psychiatric Association on or before **September 1st**.



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