What is IAAOC?

The International Association of Addictions and Offender Counselors is an organization of professional substance abuse/addictions counselors, corrections counselors, students and counselor educators who are concerned with improving the lives of individuals exhibiting addictive and/or criminal behaviors.

Our mission is to provide leadership in and advancement of the professions of addictions and offender counseling.

Membership in IAAOC includes professionals from a variety of disciplines including substance abuse/addictions counselors, public offender rehabilitation, and mental health counselors. IAAOC members work with clients in such areas as alcohol and other drug abuse and addiction (including family issues related to addictions), gambling, maladaptive sexual behaviors, vocational rehabilitation, and adult and juvenile offender rehabilitation.

Who Joins IAAOC?

Graduate students and professionals with an interest in the rapidly growing fields of addictions or public offender counseling join IAAOC. Members hold positions in mental health agencies, correctional facilities, university settings, and public and private offender and addiction treatment programs.

Benefits of Joining IAAOC

• Improved Professional Standing is bestowed on counselors and graduate students who belong to specialized organizations, including national scholarships, grants, and awards. These include Awards for the Outstanding IAAOC Practitioner, Outstanding Graduate Level Program, the Outstanding Addictions and Offender Counselor Educator Award, Graduate Student Scholarship to support attendance at ACA Conference, and a Research Grant for Professional/Regular members of IAAOC.

• The IAAOC Newsletter is published four times a year online (www.iaaoc.org) and addresses critical issues related to addiction and public offender counseling. The newsletter keeps members abreast of training opportunities, provides articles on timely topics, and reviews books of current interest.

• The Journal of Addictions and Offender Counseling publishes reports of research in areas of addictions and public offender counseling, as well as other articles of interest. Members receive journals bi-annually. All members receive electronic access to the journal, which includes the full digital archive going back to 1(1). (Print copies are available for a fee. See application for details.)

• Members have full access to IAAOC’s website that includes back issues of the newsletter, resources such as podcasts, current information regarding IAAOC committees, conference information, and details on our various award and grant opportunities. The website is also designed to create a community among our practitioners, researchers, graduate students and counselor educators across the United States.

Types of Membership - ACA membership required except retired

Professional: Individuals who hold a master’s degree or higher in counseling or a closely related field from a college or university accredited by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

Regular: Individuals whose interests and activities are consistent with those of ACA, but who are not qualified for professional membership.

New Professional: A New Professional is someone who has graduated with a masters or a doctorate within the past 12 months. Status is good for one year.

Student: Individuals who are enrolled at least half-time in a college or university program.

Retired: Members who are retired from the counseling profession and have been active ACA members for the past 5 consecutive years.

Online  counseling.org
Phone  703-823-9800 x222
       800-347-6647 x222
       M–F, 8 a.m.–6 p.m., ET
Mail  Application and payment to:
      American Counseling Association
      Attn: Accounting
      5999 Stevenson Avenue
      Alexandria, VA 22304

There shall be no discrimination against any individual on the basis of ethnic group, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, and/or disability.
IAAOC and ACA Membership Application 2014–2015

Applicant Information (Fill out if paying by check or money order)

If ACA Member, please provide your membership number ____________________________

Full Legal Name ________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address ________________________________________________________________

City__________________________ State/Province_________ Zip_______________________

Country________________________________________________________

Organization________________________________________________________

Work Ph__________________________ Home Ph__________________________ Cell Ph______________

Fax__________________________ Email______________________________________

Membership Desired

Division Dues Proration: Division dues are prorated to coincide with your ACA membership expiration date. To join a Division only, or to add a Division to your ACA membership, visit counseling.org/Division to view the prorated dues amounts.

Joining IAAOC and ACA, check one

[ ] Professional $48.00 + $167.00 = $215.00

[ ] Regular $48.00 + $167.00 = $215.00

[ ] New Professional* $30.00 + $95.00 = $125.00

[ ] Student* $30.00 + $95.00 = $125.00

[ ] Retired (see qualification) $30.00 + $95.00 = $125.00

Joining IAAOC Retired

IAAOC Fee Total

[ ] Retired $48.00 + $10.00 = $58.00

*New Professionals please indicate date of graduation (month/year) _____/____ and institution______________________________.

*Students please indicate expected date of graduation (month/year) _____/____ and institution______________________________.

IAAOC/ACA Membership Dues: Membership in ACA means that you will abide by ACA’s Bylaws and other governing documents and are qualified for the membership category selected. By becoming an ACA member, you are agreeing to be subject to the rules, regulations of the terms of the ACA Code of Ethics which can include appropriate sanctions up to suspension or expulsion from ACA and public notice about any such action. The ACA Code of Ethics is available at counseling.org

Journal print fee (optional)

All IAAOC/ACA members receive electronic access to the Journal of Counseling & Development (JCD) and Journal of Addictions and Offender Counseling, which includes the full digital archive going back to 1(1). To receive a print copy of these journals, please check below and add the annual print fee to the total amount due. All members should update their email address in the space provided above, regardless of how you wish to receive your journal.

[ ] Journal of Counseling & Development (JCD) $35

[ ] Journal of Addictions and Offender Counseling $25

Payment Method

[ ] Check or money order, payable to ACA in U.S. funds.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED $____________________

Credit Card Payments: To join using a debit/credit card, please log on to counseling.org/membership to pay online, or contact your ACA Member Information Specialist at 800-347-6647 x222, M–F, 8 a.m.–6 p.m., ET, to pay by phone.

Three-month Payment Plan Option (by phone using a Debit/Credit Card Only) A $2 processing fee will be charged on both the 2nd & 3rd installments. To sign up for the payment plan, please contact your ACA Member Information Specialist at 800-347-6647 x222, M–F, 8 a.m.–6 p.m., ET.

Mail application to: American Counseling Association
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The Benefits of Joining the ACA

ACA is the leading advocate for you and your career.

When you become a member of ACA, you become part of the largest network of counseling professionals in the world. That means direct access to the resources and education you need to stay at the top of your game, unlimited ways to connect with other counseling professionals for guidance and support, and powerful representation on the topics and issues that affect your career.

Professional Tools

Professional Liability Insurance
ACA members are offered a full line of professional liability insurance products through the Healthcare Providers Service Organization (HPSO). From complimentary membership for Master’s students, a 50% discount for new professionals and a 10% discount for all other members, you can rest assured that HPSO offers the most competitive insurance programs possible.

Health Insurance Programs
ACA provides assistance with medical, dental, life, disability, and long-term care insurance through special plans.

Ethics Consultations
Get the support you need when you need it. Consultations are available five days a week with a 72-hour inquiry response time. Free to members.

Career Resources
Take advantage of free resume critiques, mock interviews, job listings, search strategies and much more.

Education

Savings on CEs
ACA membership quickly pays for itself, as you earn one FREE CE credit each month (members are notified of opportunities via email). That’s a $240 value.

News, Information, & Inspiration
Whether it’s the Counseling Today magazine, a quarterly electronic counseling research journal, Journal of Counseling & Development (print copies available for a fee), or bimonthly editions of ACA eNews (special focus editions also available), you will have everything you need at your fingertips.

Counseling.org
The ACA website offers unlimited education opportunities, including webinars, podcasts, Practice Briefs (research-based approaches submitted by other counselors); full access to Journal of Counseling & Development and Counseling Today articles and much more.

Advocacy

From fighting for critical legislation on Capitol Hill to promoting the value of professional counselors and counseling to the public, ACA is leading the charge to ensure that you receive the respect and support you deserve.

Professional Credibility
The ACA member logo, on your website and business cards, assures those you serve that you are a leader in the counseling profession, adhering firmly to the ACA Code of Ethics.

A Community of Your Own

ACA Conference & Expo
No other meeting brings together a more diverse cross section of the counseling profession, representing every counseling specialty from every corner of the globe.

ACA Divisions & Branches
Take your membership to the next level. Divisions and Branches represent the best opportunity to stay connected with colleagues working in your specific interest and practice areas, or gain access to other counselors in your own neighborhood.

ACA Connect
This online networking tool for members only allows you the opportunity to find friends and colleagues with similar interests, contribute practical tips and ideas, ask questions and get answers in real time, share powerful education resources, see who is attending events, watch brief instructional videos, and so much more.

Social Media
ACA is very active on Facebook (American Counseling Association), Twitter (@CounselingViews) and LinkedIn (American Counseling Association). Like and follow us to get news, deadline reminders, information about special promotions, contests, and deals, and more.

ACA Discounts
Members receive exclusive discounts on auto, home, and personal insurance products as well as discounts from industry leaders in travel, hotel, cell phones, credit cards, office products and much more.

Log onto our website counseling.org to learn more about ACA.