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Executive Board, Regional Council, & Committee Applications

Executive Board elections are right around the corner! If you are interested in joining the Executive Board and serving the organization in this capacity, **submit your application by Thursday, February 5.**

Positions available starting in 2026 include:

- President-Elect
- Vice President for Global Affairs
- Vice President for Membership & Data
- Vice President for Support, Access, & Success

[2026 Elections Information](#)

[2026 Executive Board Application](#)

Interested in applying for the Board but unsure where to start? Submit a [2026 Board Interest Form](#) to speak to a member of the GNC and gather more information.

Regional Council openings include [Region 2 and Region 8](#).

Applications for the Regional Representative positions are open now until **February 5**. Read more about the [Regional Council Elections](#).

[Regional Council Application](#)

Our [standing committees](#) are also seeking volunteers to start their terms in July. If you are looking to be more engaged with the community and give back in a meaningful way, consider joining a committee! The deadline to submit an application is **February 5**.

[2026 Committee Application](#)

[Watch the Member Engagement Webinar](#) from December 10 for more information on how to get involved with International ACAC.

Regional Community Resources

The Regional Community Resource (RCR) is officially in full operation mode!

A friendly reminder for those new to this resource that it is for all sides of the desk - counselors, universities, IECs, etc - and a helpful, central platform to put you in contact and connection with our educational peers across the globe.

If you need to get in touch with someone in China for recruitment purposes, it will list the best chat platforms, any websites schools may use collectively, and any fair calendars if available; if you are transitioning to a new region or side of the desk and are seeking a professional to engage with, it will help you build out your community before you even touch down on the runway. Whatever engagement needs you may have, this is our newest resource in addition to the member database. You can [visit the RCR in the Info Hub](#) and see it live on the left hand column. If you would like to review the recording from last year's Webinar Wednesday on the RCR, [you can click here](#).

In addition to that, if you work in a region that you don't yet see listed on the RCR, please reach out to Phillip Wenturine, who is on the Communications Committee and has helped build out this platform for our members. You can reach Phillip at phillip.wenturine@brewstermadrid.com.

If you work in a region that is listed, but you would like some of the information updated or added to, please check who is the point person for that region, and send them an email. They, along with Phillip and

the Comms Team, all have access to edit each regional resource to keep it most updated.

Happy Connecting! We love our diverse yet unified International ACAC community.

Gathering Grants: Applications Open for 2026

Would you love to meet up in your region with colleagues for a meal or just to hang out, but a little help with funding would go a long way? Apply for a [Gathering Grant](#) to receive up to \$250 USD towards hosting an event with members (or prospective members) in your area.

[Gathering Grant Website](#)

[Gathering Grant Application](#)

International ACAC Counselor Bus Tour

Apply now to join the post-conference [Counselor Bus Tour](#)! The tour will explore universities in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia from July 17-24. The Bus Tour is only available to those attending the annual conference.

[2026 Bus Tour Application](#)

Deadline to Apply: Friday, February 13 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time

Regional Institute Update

A banner for the Regional Institute East Asia, Southeast Asia & Oceania 2026. The background is a photograph of a traditional Vietnamese temple with a tall, multi-tiered pagoda and lush green trees. A yellow text box in the upper right corner contains the text "REGIONAL INSTITUTE EAST ASIA, SOUTHEAST ASIA & OCEANIA 2026". At the bottom, a yellow bar contains the text "HANOI, VIETNAM" on the left, a small globe icon in the center, and "APRIL 9-11, 2026" on the right. The International ACAC logo is in the bottom right corner.

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Over 150 of your colleagues have already signed up for the [2026 East Asia, Southeast Asia, and Oceania Regional Institute](#), April 9-11, at Dwight School Hanoi in Vietnam. We anticipate closing registration in mid-March, but if we exceed capacity, we may need to close it sooner. so don't delay. Register today to secure your spot!

Registration will be opening in February for our 2026 Americas and South & Central Asia Regional Institutes. Sign up to receive early notification when registration goes live.



The Americas Regional Institute will be held September 30-October 2, 2026, at Lincoln School in San José, Costa Rica.

[Americas Regional Institute Interest Form](#)



The South & Central Asia Regional Institute will be held October 18-20, 2026 at Emerald Heights International School in Indore, India.

[South & Central Asia Regional Institute Interest Form](#)

We will have more information on our 2027 Europe Regional Institute location and dates in the February Bulletin, so watch this section!

Final Reminder to Renew Your Membership

If you haven't done so already, don't forget to renew your membership for 2026! The renewal period for annual membership closes on **January 31**. After this date, any membership renewals will incur a \$15 administrative fee in addition to the annual membership dues.

To renew your membership for the year, verify the information in your [member profile](#) and pay the renewal dues invoice. This invoice has been included in the renewal notices, and is also available in the "[My Billing Info](#)" section of the Info Hub. If updates are needed to your membership profile, submit the [profile update form](#).

We are pleased to offer [Membership Dues Waivers](#) to members who require financial assistance. Waivers are available to both new and existing members, and will be approved by the Membership Committee on a rolling basis.

Dates & Deadlines

Register for upcoming International ACAC events using the [Events Calendar](#).

Jan 21: Webinar Wednesday: *Writing a Conference Proposal*

Jan 21: Bus Tour Application Opens

Feb 4: Webinar Wednesday: *Studying in Spain*

Feb 5: Board, Committee, and Regional Council Application Deadline

Feb 11: Conference Session Proposal Deadline

Feb 13: Bus Tour Application Deadline

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