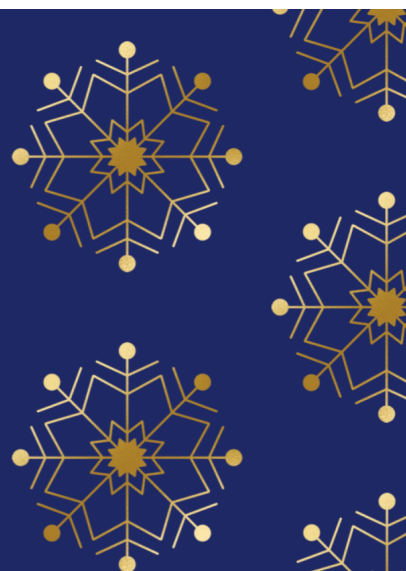


SEASON'S GREETINGS



From your friends at International ACAC



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Season's Greetings from President Liam McCartney

As 2025 comes to a close, the International ACAC Executive Board, Regional Council, and HQ Staff would like to express our sincere gratitude to our community for your continued engagement and support. We hope that any much-deserved breaks in the coming weeks offer a time for you to rest and recharge with your loved ones.

Our work remains incredibly important and impactful now more than ever. As I think forward to 2026, I'm energized by the commitment that our members make to this organization, to one another, and to our students. Thank you for an exciting 2025 and for your participation with more International ACAC activities and events next year!

We look forward to reconnecting with our colleagues next year through official social media platforms, virtual events Regional Institutes, and at the 2026 Annual Conference at Carnegie Mellon University and The University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.

I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a very happy start to 2026!

Liam McCartney (he/him/his)

President 2025-2026, International ACAC
Associate Director of International Admissions, Boston University

Executive Board Applications & Election Timeline

Executive Board openings include President-Elect, Vice President for Global Affairs, Vice President for Membership & Data, and Vice President for Support, Access, & Success.

Applications for the Executive Board positions are open now until **February 5**. Read more about the elections process and open positions on the [2026 Elections webpage](#).

Executive Board Application

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

[Watch the Member Engagement Webinar](#) from December 10 called *How to Get Involved with International ACAC*.

Committee Applications

While planning for 2026, take into consideration applying to volunteer on a Committee. It is a great opportunity to deepen your engagement with the field of college admission counseling.

Read about the current standing [committees](#) to learn about their work.

2026 Committee Application

The deadline to apply is **February 5, 2026 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time**.

Regional Council Applications & Election Timeline

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

The deadline to apply is **February 5, 2026 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time**.

2026 Membership Renewal Reminder

Renewal instructions were sent to members via email on October 8. To renew your membership for the year, verify the information in your [Member Profile](#) and pay the renewal dues invoice. This invoice was included in the renewal notice on October 8, and is also available in the “[My Billing Info](#)” section of the Info Hub. If updates are needed on your membership profile, submit a [profile update form](#).

Be sure to **renew your membership early!** **New this year:* members that renew after January 31 will incur a \$15 USD administrative fee on top of their member dues cost.

Thank you to the 2,141 members who have already renewed their membership for 2026! As a reminder, 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.

Recognition of New Subcommittee Chairs

Join us in celebrating the following members! Their contributions to committees have made a significant impact on International ACAC programs, and have now been appointed as Subcommittee Chairs.

- **Tiffany Goulet** - Webinar Subcommittee Chair
- **Brian Bailey** and **Natalie Smith** - Membership Vetting Subcommittee Co-Chairs

Regional Institutes Year End Wrap-Up

2025 was the busiest year ever for our Regional Institutes. Almost 1,000 of our members joined us at our four Regional Institutes (a special shout-out to those of you who attended more than one!), and we are so grateful to each and every one of you for making the effort to learn and connect with your colleagues.

In April, we gathered in São Paulo, Brazil at Graded-The American School of São Paulo.



In May, the event was in Prague, Czech Republic at the schools of the Study in Prague Consortium.



In the beginning of October, we met in Muscat, Oman, at ABA Oman.



And at the end of October, the Institute was in Accra, Ghana at both Galaxy International School and the International Community School of Ghana.



2026 will be equally as exciting and we hope you can join us for one of our THREE Regional Institutes.

The East Asia, Southeast Asia, & Oceania Regional Institute will be held April 9-11, 2026, at Dwight School Hanoi in Hanoi, Vietnam.

Register Today!

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

The Americas Expression of Interest Form

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

South & Central Asia Expression of Interest Form

Dates and Deadlines

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

Dec 24-Jan 2: Headquarters Closed

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

Jan 22: Bus tour Application Opens

Feb 5: Deadline for Executive Board, Committee, & Regional Council Applications

Feb 11: [Deadline for Conference Session Proposals](#) on preferences with International ACAC.

- [Committee Application](#)
- [2026 Regional Council Election](#)

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