



MEMBER MONTHLY BULLETIN

April 23, 2025

## In this Issue...

1. Bylaw Update: Executive Board Restructure
2. Annual Awards - Nominate a Colleague
3. Volunteer Leader Opportunities
4. 2025 Opportunity Grant Applications
5. Affinity Groups Interest
6. 2025 Conference Sponsorship Opportunities Still Available
7. Regional Institute Update
8. Dates & Deadlines
9. Quick Links

## Bylaw Update: Executive Board Restructure

The proposed update to the bylaws **PASSED!** Thank you to all the members who participated in the conversation and the vote. International ACAC will be adopting a new Executive Board structure.

[Learn about the new Executive Board structure](#)

### What does this mean for me?

For most International ACAC members, this will primarily be important during Executive Board elections. The new Board structure will offer additional opportunities for participation as a volunteer or a volunteer-leader. If you want to get involved, this is great news for you!

### What does this mean for the organization?

All events, programs, and operations will continue as planned. According to our bylaws, any amendments go into effect immediately after they are passed. However, due to the complex nature of the changes to the leadership structure, some will not be able to be implemented immediately.

All of the changes are described in detail, including the implementation plan and timeline, on the [Bylaw Update website](#).

## Annual Awards - Nominate a Colleague

International ACAC annually recognizes individuals who have made major contributions to the college counseling and admission profession, with members submitting nominations to recognize their peers. The awards are announced during the annual conference in July. The following three awards are presented:

- Peter Hauet Lifetime Achievement Award
- Distinguished Service Award
- Rising Star Award

Read more about these awards and find the nomination form at the website linked below.

### International ACAC Annual Awards

Nominations for these awards will be accepted through **May 30 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.**

## Volunteer Leader Opportunities

The Professional Development Committee is seeking volunteer leaders to manage two International ACAC programs: the [Counselor Bus Tour](#) following the annual conference and the [International ACAC Mentor Year Program](#).

Both of these leadership positions will require a multi-year commitment. If you have questions about either of these roles, feel free to reach out to [PD@InternationalACAC.org](mailto:PD@InternationalACAC.org).

Counselor Bus Tour Co-Director Application

Mentor Year Program Co-Chair Application

Applications for both positions will be accepted through **April 30 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.**

## 2025 Opportunity Grant Application

International ACAC is proud to continue the Opportunity Grant program, supporting the global efforts of members guiding students to higher education.

### Application Requirements:

- Applications must be submitted using the online application (linked below).
- Current members of the Executive Board may not apply for Opportunity Grants.
- Applications must be received by the stated deadline of May 14.
- Decisions will be announced in June.

**Please note** that Opportunity Grants are separate from Conference Bursaries and Regional Institute Grants and may not be used to cover the cost of attendance at the annual Conference or Regional Institutes.

Opportunity Grant Application

Applications will be accepted through **May 14 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time.**

## Affinity Groups Interest Form

Affinity groups, or resource groups, provide opportunities to promote diversity and inclusion. International ACAC is interested in creating safe spaces to foster a sense of belonging, networking, innovation, and our commitment toward diversity, equity, and inclusion. If you are interested in joining or forming an affinity group, we want to support you.



International ACAC Affinity Groups will meet on Tuesday morning, July 15, from 9:00 AM to noon at the 2025 Conference, and hope to continue in a virtual setting throughout the year.

**Please complete the interest form** to let us know your thoughts and how you would like to be involved.

[Affinity Groups Interest Form](#)

Submissions will be accepted through **May 16 at 11:59 PM Eastern Time**.

## 2025 Conference Sponsorship Opportunities Still Available

Sponsorship opportunities are still available for the [2025 Conference](#)! During the event at Northeastern University in Boston in July, we are still looking for sponsors for:

- Conference T-Shirt
- Conference Lanyards
- Opening and Closing Receptions
- Networking Breaks
- And more!

By sponsoring an item or event, you will gain the attention of our membership with prime logo placement, customized deliverables, and a guaranteed spot in the Exhibit Hall. More information can be found on the [sponsorship website](#) or by contacting [SponsorshipandExhibits@InternationalACAC.org](mailto:SponsorshipandExhibits@InternationalACAC.org).

[Sponsorship Information](#)

[Sponsorship Application](#)

## Regional Institutes Updates

We have opened our **expression of interest forms** for our two upcoming Regional Institutes. Members who complete the forms will receive advance notice when registration opens. With both events generating high interest already, you will definitely want to act fast to secure your spot.

**The Middle East & North Africa Regional Institute** will be held at ABA Oman International School in Muscat, Oman, from October 2-4.

[Middle East and North Africa Regional Institute](#)

**The Sub-Saharan Africa Regional Institute** will be held at Galaxy International School in Accra, Ghana, from October 24-26.

[Sub-Saharan Africa Regional Institute](#)

Any questions, please reach out to the [Regional Institutes Team](#).

## Dates & Deadlines

Find all upcoming International ACAC events on the [Events Calendar](#).

Find all upcoming International ACAC events on the [Events Calendar](#).

- April 30: Bus Tour Co-Director Application Deadline
  - April 30: Mentor Year Program Co-Chair Application Deadline
  - May 7: Webinar Wednesday - *Getting to Know the RCR (Regional Counselor Resource) Tool*
  - May 14: Webinar Wednesday - *Updates from the IBO and Cambridge Assessments*
  - May 16: Affinity Groups Interest Form Deadline
  - May 22-24: Europe Regional Institute
  - May 30: Annual Awards Nominations Deadline
- 

## Quick Links

- [Board Restructure Bylaw Update](#)
- [Annual Awards](#)
- [Gathering Grants](#)
- [Opportunity Grant Application](#)
- [2025 Annual Conference](#)
- [2025 Summer Enrichment Programs](#)
- [Regional Institutes](#)
- [2025-2026 International ACAC International Student Financial Aid Forms](#)