Continuing Education Committee Terms Beginning 2026

The Continuing Education Committee (CEC) seeks nominations for four new members to begin threeyear terms on January 1, 2026. Self-nominations are encouraged, as well as nominations from individuals, APA committees, boards, and divisions. **Please note that letters of recommendation will not be considered.**

All CEC members must be full APA Members according to the <u>Membership section</u> of the Association Bylaws (see #5) for the entirety of their term.

As defined in APA's Association Rules, the committee develops policy and program recommendations for the association's continuing education (CE) program, working collaboratively with the Office of CE Sponsor Approval (CESA) and the Office of Continuing Education in Psychology.

The committee's tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Reviewing all sponsors and organizations seeking APA CE sponsor approval.
- Working with the CESA Office to support and provide guidance to organizations that want to become APA-approved sponsors.
- Identifying, promoting, implementing, and evaluating research, development, and innovations in CE.

Possible benefits of committee participation include, but are not limited to:

- Committee members have complimentary access to live webinar/video on-demand programs in recognition of their important contributions as Committee members.
- Exposure to the latest work being done across a wide range of topics in psychology.
- Opportunities for leadership experience, mentoring, research, education, presentations, and publications.
- Career development opportunities through skill development.
- Professional collaborations and interpersonal connections with colleagues from a wide variety of backgrounds and across areas of specialization, career stages, and expertise across the country.

The CEC is committed to maintaining a diverse and broad representation from all groups and areas of psychology and is particularly seeking diversity, consistent with the APA commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility (see <u>APA's EDI framework</u>). The committee seeks to assemble a professional group who is committed to lifelong learning and evidence-based practice and education (<u>see APA policy on Quality Professional Development and Continuing Education</u>). Consistent with APA's initiative to include early career psychologists (ECPs) (within 10 years of receiving doctoral degree), the CEC actively encourages the nomination of ECPs, in addition to those that are more established in their careers.

Member responsibilities:

- Attend one 3-day hybrid committee meeting each year in Washington, D.C., with expenses reimbursed by APA (in April*), and one 4-day online meeting each year (in September) {*pending COVID-19 recommendations and APA policies}.
- Review applications independently and coordinate with other committee members, which typically requires **a minimum of 40 hours** of work in the four weeks prior to each twice-yearly meeting.
- Attend several orientation and calibration video calls throughout the year.
- Work on committee projects between meetings and participate in committee conference calls and listserv discussions.
- CEC members are also encouraged to attend related events at the APA convention, if possible, although expenses cannot be reimbursed for convention activities.

Nominations to the CEC must include a full CV, a completed nomination form, and an expression of interest statement.

The deadline for submission is **March 1, 2025**. Applicants will typically be notified of final decisions in August 2025.

Please direct any questions to the Office of CE Sponsor Approval by email.

An association-wide note: APA is engaged in a process of transformation, placing a much greater emphasis on making an impact that clearly benefits society and improves lives. In February 2024, the Council of Representatives revised and adopted its 2019 strategic plan that sets APA's organizational priorities for the next three to five years. APA groups actively collaborate across APA to align the work of elected and appointed leaders, staff, and the broader membership sin service of advancing the strategic plan. Given the importance of this approach to the association's strategic priorities, APA encourages nominees to the CEC review the strategic plan to become familar with the larger context in which their expertse and interests will ocntribute to APA's success.