

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 sub-

mitted 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
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AHC

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Your way to connect and stay current.



What is AHC?

AHC is one of the four founding divisions of the American Counseling Association (ACA). Grounded in humanistic principles, the association is dedicated to growth, actualization, and wellness for our members and the populations we serve. It is within the humanistic counseling tradition that the core conditions of counseling emerged, such as unconditional positive regard, empathy, congruence, and authenticity.

AHC...

- Encourages the development of the whole person: physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual;
- Promotes the dignity and worth of the individual within the context of community and culture;
- Recognizes and cherishes diversity in an increasingly multicultural society;
- Promotes advocacy; and
- Identifies cutting edge issues for counseling and human development professionals.

It is made up of counseling professionals who work in a variety of settings whose bond is a philosophy rather than a work setting, and who use their skills and expertise to empower, advocate, and make a difference. Any counselors interested in humanistic principles in human development are welcome.

Humanistic counselors base their practice upon a philosophical foundation based on the affirmation of the dignity of every human being, who believe that wellness and health is best achieved by combining personal growth with avid service for the greater good of humanity. Current practitioners of humanistic psychology are found in various theoretical schools, including person-centered counseling, Adlerian Individual Psychology, existential counseling, and Gestalt counseling, as well as contemporary approaches within family therapy, transpersonal psychology, ecopsychology, and constructivism. Humanistic counseling theories emerged in the writings of Adler, Jung, Horney, Frankl, Maslow, May, Rogers, and Satir, among others.

“The Heart and Conscience of the Counseling Profession”

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Benefits of Joining AHC

The *Journal of Humanistic Counseling* is published twice per year and contains current research and theory of interest to counselors and educators who are looking for humanistic approach. In addition, special topics are addressed in dedicated issues that are published 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.)

Infochange is the association’s newsletter that not only brings current information to members about the activities of the association, but also features unique philosophical and literary columns from contributing members.

National Conference activities include the Wellness Center, the Empty Plate Project for support of conference site charitable organizations through participants’ personal donations, selected programs with a humanistic focus, and nationally recognized speakers at member functions.

Access to Discussion Group and Member Listserv: Important information and topics of interests are shared on these forums.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE Grant: A \$500 grant to a graduate student whose research will make a difference to the population under study.

Division Awards: Division awards in various categories are presented yearly to quality candidates at the ACA conference.

Types of Membership - ACA membership required

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/ACES members for the past 5 consecutive years.

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 M–F, 8 a.m.–6 p.m., ET
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There shall be no discrimination against any individual on the basis of ethnic group, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, and/or disability.

Applicant Information

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

Joining AHC and ACA: Select your member category below, complete the application and fax or mail it to the American Counseling Association or join online at counseling.org.

ACA Members: Division dues are prorated to coincide with your ACA membership expiration date. To add a Division to your ACA membership, log on to counseling.org with your username and password and select “Add a Division,” or contact the ACA Member Services at 800-347-6647 x222, M–F, 8 a.m.–6 p.m., ET.

Joining AHC and ACA, check one

	AHC	ACA	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional	\$45.00	+ \$165.00	= \$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular	\$45.00	+ \$165.00	= \$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> New Professional*	\$35.00	+ \$94.00	= \$129.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Student*	\$35.00	+ \$94.00	= \$129.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Retired (see qualification)	\$35.00	+ \$94.00	= \$129.00

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

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

AHC/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 AHC/ACA members receive electronic access to the *Journal of Counseling & Development (JCD)* and *Journal of Humanistic 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.

<input type="checkbox"/> Journal of Counseling & Development (JCD)	\$35
<input type="checkbox"/> Journal of Humanistic Counseling	\$15

Payment Method

Total amount enclosed or to be charged \$ _____

Automatic Renewal Option: In my anniversary month each year, please charge my credit card at the rates effective at that time for my ACA and Division membership(s). My current email address is: _____.

Check or money order, payable to ACA in U.S. funds, enclosed
 Charge to: VISA MasterCard AmEx Discover
 Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Security Code: (3 or 4 digits on front or back of card) _____

Cardholder’s Name (print) _____

Phone _____

Authorized Signature _____ Date _____

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