ASA Program Reviewers and Consultants
Membership Policy

Membership Cap

In order to increase the chances that active ASA Program Reviewers and Consultants will be selected for consultations, the group is capped at 50 members. This number is subject to review and revision by the advisory board based on the demand for services.

Adding New Members:

The process for adding new ASA Program Reviewers and Consultants is as follows:

1. Identification of a “position opening” due to membership falling below 50. Openings can be targeted in terms of geographic area, type of school, and other characteristics with the goal of increasing the range of institutions, areas of the country where consultants are located, and diversity of the membership.

2. Individuals identified by current consultants are invited to apply for membership. Self-nominations are also accepted. Potential consultants typically have a PhD in sociology and are post-tenure if they are employed in a tenure-granting institution.

3. An application involves sending to ASA's Director of Research, Professional Development, and Academic Affairs (RPA) a CV and letter of interest addressing departmental leadership, commitment to teaching excellence, and advancement of the discipline. In addition, the applicant should send names and contact information for two references who can speak to the applicant’s departmental leadership and teaching excellence.

4. The PRC Advisory Board and RPA Director then reviews applications and make decisions to accept/reject applications.

5. Person must attend at least one Annual Meeting training conference and be a member of ASA before being listed on the website.

Maintaining Membership:

1. Maintain current membership in the ASA.

2. Attend the Annual Meeting Training Conference at least 1 out of every 3 years.

3. Update consultant profile every year.

4. Follow through on all PRC business (site visits, reports, mentoring relationships, etc.) in a timely and professional manner. If delays occur, inform all relevant parties and make a plan for completion, or request assistance from the RPA director.