The Pathway to Become a Fellow of the American College of Radiology

Fellowship is one of the most prestigious recognitions available to long-term American College of Radiology (ACR) members. It symbolizes exceptional achievement in the fields of diagnostic radiology, interventional radiology, nuclear medicine, radiation oncology, and/or medical physics. Only 10 percent of College members have been awarded this honor.

Since its inception in 1923, the ACR has granted Fellowship to worthy individuals who have distinguished themselves with significant accomplishments in service, research, and/or teaching beyond the scope of their employment.

Improve your candidacy by volunteering for leadership positions at local, state, and national level. Maintain a list of your activities, positions, awards, presentations and/or publications for your future application. Network with ACR members including current Fellows who may serve as your future application endorsers.

Requirements

- Service to the ACR at national or chapter level(s) and/or organized radiology/medicine at national, regional, state, or local levels
- Outstanding teaching of diagnostic radiology, interventional radiology, nuclear medicine, radiation oncology, and/or medical physics
- Significant scientific or clinical research in radiology or significant contributions to the literature

General Years of Membership Guidelines

- **10-11 Years**
  - **Extraordinary**
  - International Work
    - For this early career level, very strong endorsements supporting extraordinary achievements and credentials are essential.

- **12-14 Years**
  - **Outstanding**
  - National Work
    - Endorsements should be strong and highlight specific achievements conveying at least national recognition.

- **15-17 Years**
  - **Exemplary**
  - Regional Work
    - These criteria are more rigorous for those applying at this level compared to those at 18-19 years with major state achievements.

- **18-19 Years**
  - **Commendable**
  - State Level Work
    - Endorsements should address appropriate specific achievements with a statewide professional reputation.

- **20+ Years**
  - **Above and Beyond**
  - Local Area Work
    - Longstanding record of service and contributions above and beyond daily practice; endorsements should describe at least local level achievements.

Applications

Applications are due according to chapter selected deadline. Following a review by chapter officers and the ACR Committee on Fellowship Credentials, nominations are presented to the Board. The ACR Board of Chancellors selects the candidates and confers the award. Fellowship is awarded at the Annual Meeting convocation ceremony.

For guidance and deadlines, review the ACR Fellowship webpage: [www.acr.org/facr](http://www.acr.org/facr)