



Why join Associated Collegiate Press?

Learn for less

One membership in ACP allows all of the students on your staff to pay reduced fees at all of our conventions and workshops. By the time you send us a handful of registrations for one event, your membership has already paid for itself.

Prove you're the best

Submit your newspaper, yearbook, magazine or website in one of our many contests. For general excellence, there's the Pacemaker, setting the standard since 1927. Individuals can enter stories, photos, cartoons, ads and much more in individual contests. And every convention and workshop has an on-site Best of Show contest. ACP members can participate in all of these contests at no additional cost.

Get the info you need to succeed

Through publications like the Pacemaker book and Model Code of Ethics, your ACP membership brings you the kind of information you need to excel in the world of student media.

Network with pros and peers

At ACP conventions and other meetings, you can meet some of the leading journalists and media professionals from across the country. You can meet your peers from colleges and universities, big and small, public and private. You can also network with them online at ACP's website. These connections help you solve problems and build for the future.

Build your résumé

Winning an individual award or being on the staff of an award-winning publication looks great on your résumé. Participation in an ACP convention or other meeting can also be listed as a part of your professional training. Add ACP membership and honors to your résumé and get noticed.

Join or renew now at acp.studentpress.org

See next page for full membership benefits

Any student-produced college/university newspaper, yearbook, magazine, online publication or broadcast staff can join ACP. Membership is good for one year from the date the membership is received and includes the following benefits:

The Pacemaker Competition

College journalism's most prestigious and oldest prize for general excellence, first given in 1927, honors those who set the pace, surpassing all others. Entering the Pacemaker (and all of our other contests) is a free and exclusive benefit of ACP membership.

Individual Competitions

Individual staff members at ACP member publications can compete for national honors in these prestigious contests: Reporter of the Year, Story of the Year, Design of the Year, Photo Excellence, Cartooning and Advertising awards. Some contests include cash or other prizes provided by their co-sponsors.

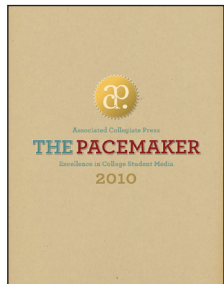
Reduced Fees for Conventions, Critiques, Contests

Members pay lower registration fees for all ACP conventions and workshops including the fall National College Media Convention. If you send enough students, you can recoup most or all of the membership cost in registration savings.

Best of Show

At all ACP conventions and workshops, members can enter the event's Best of Show general excellence contest at no cost (nonmembers pay a fee). The Best of Show contest has recently expanded to include online and interactive categories.

The Pacemaker Book



This annual 125-plus-page book has full-color reproductions of pages from all of ACP's major award winners from the past year. It's an indispensable guide to what's recognized as the best work published in the college press, with hundreds of design, coverage, photo and artwork examples.

Resource Booklets

ACP publishes useful guides for student journalists such as the Model Code of Ethics. Copies are included in your membership packet.

Online Resources

Our website, acp.studentpress.org, is continually updated with news and content useful to our members, including the College Media Matters blog, now sponsored by ACP.

Information about activities and deadlines will regularly arrive in member staffs' email inboxes to avoid missed opportunities. Be sure to list a permanent newsroom email address on the membership form.

Job and Internship Information

Through our new guide to freelancing, our online job board and a career fair at our annual fall convention, members get many opportunities to find out about and compete for jobs and internships.

Press Credentials, Logo, Certificate

Show your pride in membership by using and displaying these items, sent with your membership packet: press credentials in a custom badge holder printed with the ACP logo, a copy of our logo for reprinting in your masthead, and a Certificate of Membership.

Reduced Fees for Publication Critiques

ACP offers written critiques for newspapers, yearbooks and feature magazines: a qualified judge will provide in-depth feedback on your published work and rate your publication (All-American through Third Class) according to established standards for college media. Members get reduced rates.

Student networking and participation opportunities

We're looking at ways for student staffers to take a greater role in participating in the ACP community, particularly via studentpress.org. Through features such as ACP View on Flickr.com, our Facebook fan page and our @acpress Twitter feed, we want to give students the opportunity to share their unique experiences and expertise with their fellow students around the country.

ACP Hall of Fame

Consistent award winners can qualify for induction into the ACP Hall of Fame. Inductees receive a commemorative plaque and are added to a composite plaques on display at ACP's national headquarters. More details at our website.

ACP Membership Rates

per publication/station, based on the number of students enrolled at your school:

\$119 5,000 or fewer enrolled

\$129 5,001-10,000 enrolled

\$139 10,001-20,000 enrolled

\$149 more than 20,000 enrolled

\$69 broadcast stations, regardless of enrollment

ACP 2011-12 Calendar

Sept. 15, 2011 & 2012

Deadline to submit nominations for **ACP Hall of Fame** to be recognized at that year's fall convention

Oct. 26-30, 2011

ACP/CMA National College Media Convention
Renaissance Orlando SeaWorld

Dec. 2, 2011

Deadline to receive critique entries from previous school year

Jan. 16, 2012

Deadline to receive entries for **Yearbook Pacemaker** awards

Feb. 10-12, 2012

ACP Best of the Midwest Journalism Convention
Marriott City Center, Minneapolis

Feb. 15, 2012

Deadline to receive entries for **Online Pacemaker** awards

March 1-4, 2012

ACP National College Journalism Convention
Renaissance, Seattle

June 7, 2012

Deadline to receive entries for **Newspaper and Magazine Pacemaker** awards and **Individual Awards** (Reporter/Story/Design of the Year, Photo Excellence, Cartooning and Advertising Awards)

July 2012

ACP Summer Workshops
Minneapolis

Oct. 31-Nov. 4, 2012

ACP/CMA National College Media Convention
Sheraton & Towers, Chicago

Find out more at

acp.studentpress.org

Join ACP, renew membership, register for events, enter contests, browse galleries of award-winning work, read the College Media Matters blog, find student media resources such as ACP View and the Sourcebook.

Email: info@studentpress.org

Facebook: [facebook.com/acpress](https://www.facebook.com/acpress)

Twitter: twitter.com/acpress

About ACP



ACP is the largest and oldest national membership association for college student media in the United States. More than 20,000 student journalists work on the staff of an ACP member publication.

ACP is a division of the National Scholastic Press Association, based and incorporated in Minnesota as a non-profit educational association, providing journalism education training programs; publishing journalism education materials; providing media critique and recognition programs for members;

providing information on developments in journalism and student media; and providing a forum for members to communicate with others and share their work. Through these activities, ACP promotes the standards and ethics of good journalism as accepted and practiced by print, broadcast and electronic media in the United States. ACP also endorses and advocates free expression rights for student media. For more information about ACP and its programs, visit our FAQ page at acp.studentpress.org/faq.html.



2011-2012 ACP Membership Form

Use this form through Aug. 31, 2012. **When does your existing membership expire?** Find out at acp.studentpress.org/membership.html

Publication/Station Name	School
Office Address	
City	State Zip
Office Phone	Publication/Station Web Site Address http://
General/Newsroom Email	Twitter @

Publication/Media Adviser(s) Type: Editorial Adviser General Manager None

1. Name	Email
2. Name	Email

ACP won't sell your name and contact info, but we will send you official communications about our events and programs.

Check Medium: (check only one)

- Newspaper Yearbook Magazine Broadcast Online

Check Type of College:

- 2-Year 4-Year Professional Other

Approximate No. Students on Staff	Circulation (print number below) <input type="checkbox"/> Free <input type="checkbox"/> Paid
Publishing Frequency (Newspapers/Magazines only)	Month of Book Delivery (Yearbooks only)

ACP Annual Membership Fees:

- \$119: 5,000 or less enrollment
- \$129: 5,001-10,000 enrollment
- \$139: 10,001-20,000 enrollment
- \$149: 20,000 or more enrollment
- \$69: Broadcast stations (any enrollment)

ACP Critiques:

- \$139: Member newspaper/yearbook/magazine critique (nonmembers \$199)
- Critiques not available for broadcasts or online publications. All critiques require prepayment in advance. A critique form must accompany your submission. Download one from acp.studentpress.org or contact us to request one.*

Enrollment—the number of full-time (graduate and undergraduate) students at your school

ACP Press Badgeholders:

- Send _____ extra ACP Press badgeholders at \$2 each (one free with membership)

Payment: Make checks payable to ACP. There is a \$20 fee for returned checks.

Total Enclosed \$	<input type="checkbox"/> Check Enclosed #	<input type="checkbox"/> Purchase Order Enclosed #
<input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> Discover		
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Email or fax receipt to _____

Join or renew online:

<http://register.studentpress.org/joinACP>

Please verify membership eligibility:

To be a member of Associated Collegiate Press, at least 85% of the publication's editorial, production, advertising and business staff members, and the editor-in-chief or equivalent (print media only), must be students who are currently enrolled at the college, university, technical or professional school represented by the publication.

- Yes, our publication complies with the above requirements.

Join the ACP View content pool:

ACP View is our online gallery of current student work by our member publications (more details inside). To keep it full of new content, we'd like to make it as easy as possible for our members to contribute. If you check the box below, we'll add your publication's website to our pool of publications from which we can download PDFs and photos to feature in the gallery. It's free, nationwide (even worldwide) exposure for you and your fellow staffers, and requires no work on your end. Participation is voluntary and you can opt out at any point in the future by contacting us at info@studentpress.org.

- Yes, include our publication in the ACP View content pool.



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