



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR  
COLLEGE ADMISSION COUNSELING

# **MEMBER ENGAGEMENT**

## **GET INVOLVED 2022**

**Executive Board Elections  
and  
Volunteering for Committees**

**November 30, 2021**

7AM ET SESSION

**Member Engagement Webinar – November 30, 2021**



# Today's Panelists

**Denise Nijhuis**, University College Roosevelt - *VP for Professional Development*

**Marco Dinovelli**, Rutgers University - New Brunswick - *Delegate to NACAC*

**Isthier Chaudhury**, Trinity College - *VP for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion*

**Emerson Buczolits**, OCAD University - *Communications Committee Volunteer*

**Yunxia Liao (Midea)**, Int'l School of Beijing - *Membership Committee Volunteer*

**Theresa Schweser**, *Executive Director*, International ACAC

**Kathleen Schultz**, Zurich International School - *Past-President, Chair of Governance and Nominating Committee (GNC)*

# POLL

Where are you  
joining us from?

# What we will share with you today

## - Agenda

- A **very brief** history of International ACAC member contributions and engagement over the past 25+ years
- Why and how to volunteer to support International ACAC
  - at Committee level
  - at Executive Board level
- Q&A

# International ACAC Volunteers-a *Very Brief* History

- Since its founding in 1991, International ACAC members have worked tirelessly on behalf of the organization.
- **Over the years**, International ACAC members have:
  - organized conferences (summer/regional institutes)
  - published newsletters
  - designed and developed the website
  - dedicated untold hours to make this organization work
- **Today**, International ACAC has full-time staff members plus a consultant supporting special projects including regional events.

**\*\*However, most activities continue to be run by volunteers\*\***

# International ACAC Volunteer Opportunities...

Mentor Year  
Program

Annual  
Conference

Facebook  
Group Posts

Submit a Blog

Submit  
Session  
Proposals

Regional  
RoundUps

Pre-Conference  
Institute Faculty

Raffle  
Donations

First-Timer

Advocacy

Scholar  
Program

# POLL

How have you  
interacted with our  
association?

# 1. A Volunteer Organization



# REASONS TO VOLUNTEER WITH INTERNATIONAL ACAC

- Great networking opportunity
- Volunteer organization - chance to give back
- Build resume
- Develop important skills

## 2. Committee Positions

# Standing Committees

- Committee members serve 3-year terms\*
- Terms begin July 1
- Approximately 130-140 members serve each year
- Check out the International ACAC website to learn more about what the committees do

## Governance & Nominating

Chair - Kathleen Schultz  
Zurich International School  
10 committee members\*

## Admissions/ Enrollment Practices

Chair - Ruby Bhattacharya  
Barnard College  
15 committee members

## Advocacy and Outreach

Chair - Tricia Bergantino  
Bishop Hendricken High School  
14 committee members

## Communications

Chair - Alyson Murray  
Dalhousie University  
9 committee members

## Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Chair - Isthier Chaudhury  
Trinity College  
17 committee members

## Finance

Chair - Tracy How  
Flintridge Sacred Heart  
Academy  
11 committee members

## Inclusion, Access, Success

Chair - Vacant  
21 committee members

## Membership

Chair - Michelle Chow-Liu  
Western Academy of  
Beijing  
18 committee members

## Professional Development

Chair - Denise Nijhuis  
University College Roosevelt  
16 committee members

\*GNC Committee Members serve a one-year term.



## Committees

Interested in contributing to International ACAC, but not  
Much of the work of International ACAC is carried out by members of the Executive Board.  
**There are, however, nine Standing Committees that also do work for the association,  
and volunteering to serve on one of them is a great place to start!**

**Step #1**

- Committee terms begin on July 1 and end on July 31 of the third year.
- Applications for committee service open annually in December for the following year.
- Committee members are selected by the appropriate Vice President and approved by the Executive Board.

## 2022 Committee Applications - Open December 8, 2021

Application form will be available here.

Due January 18, 2022

**Step #2**

### Standing Committees

- Admissions Practices

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- Why do we volunteer?
- What sorts of tasks do committee members take on?
- What have we gained from the experiences we've had?
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# Emerson's Experiences Communications Committee

## Yunxia's Experiences Membership Committee



## 2022 International ACAC Committee Volunteer Application

*Log in below to access the application form.*

International ACAC is governed by an Executive Board elected directly from its membership. Standing committees support the work of the association. Committees are chaired by the Presidents, Vice Presidents, and

three years, beginning July 1 and ending on July 31 of the third year. While not mandatory, attendance is strongly encouraged, at least once during the three-year term.

International ACAC website to review each committee's statement of work. When applying, you will be

Committee  
applications  
are due by  
**January 18, 2022**



# Open Board Positions

## Current Election March 2022

President-Elect

VP for Admissions Practices

VP for Communications

VP for Finance

VP for Professional Development

## Special Election ~ May 2022

Delegate to the NACAC Assembly



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Isthier's Experiences  
VP of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Denise's Experiences  
VP of Professional Development

Marco's Experiences  
NACAC Assembly Delegate

# Executive Board Applications 2022

To apply for an open positions on the Executive Board, members must complete:

- Executive Board Application (opens December 8)
- Current Resume/CV
- Letter of Institutional Support
- Letter of Reference

**Applications and all supporting documents are due January 18, 2022.**



# INTERNATIONAL ACAC EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS

## 2022 Election Timeline

<b>December 8, 2021</b>	<b>Applications Open</b>
<b>January 18, 2022</b>	<b>Applications Close</b>
<b>March 1</b>	<b>Release Candidate Slate</b>
<b>March 8</b>	<b>Voting Opens</b>
<b>March 22</b>	<b>Voting Closes</b>
<b>March 28</b>	<b>Announce Election Results</b>



[www.internationalacac.org/2022-elections](http://www.internationalacac.org/2022-elections)

# Executive Board Applications 2022

## TOP TIPS

1. **Do your research!** Talk to others who have been involved
2. Complete application & submit documents **by the deadline**
3. **Be specific** - interest in the position, ideas
4. **Wide range of activities/experiences - Including outside of International ACAC**
5. **Highlight diversity** - What do you offer?
6. **Follow advice you give to students**



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### **UPCOMING EVENTS! International ACAC is Hiring!**

We are currently seeking a full-time, remote Administrative Coordinator.

Learn more about the position and how to apply here.

### **Proposed Bylaw Change**

Regarding When Executive Board Members Take Office

Member review and comment period open through December 1.

Voting on this bylaw change will be held December 2 - 10.

### **2021 Vice President for Inclusion, Access, and Success**

Candidates are being sought for an interim appointment through June 30, 2023.

Applications for this position are due Monday, December 6, 2021.







**Nominations are open for the 2021 GEM Award!**

**Deadline is December 2.**

# Questions?



# Thank you to Today's Panelists

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