

Benefits

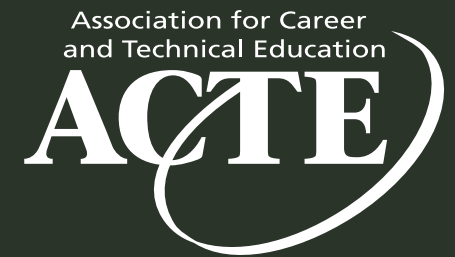
of being an ACTE Fellow:

- \$1,000 stipend to use towards travel to ACTE events
- complimentary registration to the ACTE Annual Convention and National Policy Seminar
- national recognition
- assistance in crafting personal professional development goals
- improved advocacy skills
- leadership development
- networking with other colleagues through meetings and monthly conference calls
- opportunity to be mentored by a previous Fellow and an ACTE Board member
- increased engagement with ACTE



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NATIONAL *Leadership Fellowship* PROGRAM



The ACTE Fellowship Program is your pathway to developing your leadership skills, policy knowledge and association management knowledge.

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Each year, ACTE selects five representatives, one from each ACTE Region, to develop their leadership skills. CTE educators need to be leaders in their schools and communities and need a leadership program—including policy and professional development in addition to general leadership training—that can meet their specific needs. The ACTE National Leadership Fellowship Program provides participants with the leadership development, policy knowledge and professional development that future leaders will need to succeed. **The purpose of the ACTE National Leadership Fellowship Program is to:**

- help establish a leadership development program for CTE educators in ACTE and assist individuals in further developing their leadership skills in CTE and their involvement in professional associations
- provide an opportunity for CTE educators to become familiar with and participate in the processes used by policymakers in the development and implementation of laws, regulations and other public policies at the local, state and federal levels
- identify, train and motivate a cadre of leaders who will continue to position ACTE as a leader in developing an educated, prepared, adaptable and competitive workforce

Responsibilities and Expectations

Leadership Development

1. Interview by phone or in person with a current leader in career and technical education.
2. Observe/shadow an ACTE Board member (examples include attending a Board meeting or shadowing a Board member at the Regional conference).

3. Read two required readings (one book selected to be read by all the Fellows, one book chosen from the reading list by the Fellow). Participate in discussion regarding the book read by all Fellows and lead discussion on the book the Fellow selected. Write reports on books read.
4. Serve on a task force or committee.
5. Work with the other ACTE Fellows to present a session on your experience with the ACTE National Leadership Fellowship Program at the Annual Convention.
6. Listen to and respond to leadership Webcasts.
7. Seek to serve as a delegate for their state at the Assembly of Delegates.

Public Policy

1. Conduct an in-person visit with a local legislator (guidance to be given) and prepare a report on the experience.
2. Conduct an in-person visit with a state legislator (guidance to be given) and prepare a report on the experience.
3. Conduct an in-person visit with a federal legislator (guidance to be given) and prepare a report on the experience.
4. Serve as a spokesperson for the organization at the national, Regional, state or local level.

Professional Development

1. Participate in the initial conference call with the Fellowship Coordinator and Fellows.
2. By May, develop personal professional development goals with next steps in place for pursuit after the Fellowship year is complete. Fellows will discuss this project throughout the year with the other Fellows and the Fellowship Coordinator

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and will present a final report of their plan to the Fellowship Coordinator.

3. Attend at least two ACTE events (NPS, Convention, Regional conference, state conference).
4. Complete a portfolio of all National Leadership Fellowship Program work. Each group of Fellows will be given a portfolio at the beginning of each year; the portfolio will detail the required activities and provide space for the Fellow to add in their work. At the end of the year, the Fellows will have a complete portfolio with all of their work.
5. Participate in monthly conference calls.
6. Be willing to serve as a mentor for the next class of Fellows (optional).

Time Commitment:

- Four days to travel to the National Policy Seminar.
- Four days to travel to the Annual Convention.
- Monthly one-hour conference calls.
- Time as needed to complete readings and other activities.

The term of the fellowship is one calendar year, January–December. Applications for the coming year are due by Nov. 1. Visit www.acteonline.org/fellowship.aspx for an application and additional information.