



PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Why Join a Professional Organization?

Joining a professional organization is an invaluable component to your career and professional development. They will serve as a resource for you now as a college student and for the rest of your career. There are several reasons you should explore various associations and join one (or a few) while you are still in school.

- **Networking:** Professional organizations generally meet on a regular basis and host conferences/workshops. These are great opportunities to meet potential employers and start building your professional network. Where else can you go where the room is filled with professionals working in your field of interest?
- **Discounted Dues:** Yes, there is a fee associated with joining a professional organization. However, as a student the fee is generally discounted by a large amount. Joining now as a student will save you money in the long run.
- **Scholarships:** Many professional organizations offer scholarships for student members. Some scholarships may award you the opportunity to attend conferences/workshops, others may pay your annual dues.
- **Job Opportunities:** Most professional organizations have job postings that only members can access.
- **Professional Development:** As you move further into your field of interest it will be important to keep up with the latest trends/research. Professional organizations give you the opportunity to stay current in your field.

Accounting

- Accounting and Financial Women's Alliance: <http://www.afwa.org/>
- Accreditation Council for Accountancy and Taxation: <http://www.acatcredentials.org>
- American Accounting Association: <http://aaahq.org/>
- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants: <http://www.aicpa.org>
- Association of Government Accountants: <http://www.agacgfm.org>
- National Association of State Boards of Accountancy: <http://www.nasba.org>
- National Society of Accountants: <http://www.nsacct.org>
- National Society of Tax Professionals: <http://www.natptax.com>
- Society of Actuaries: <https://www.soa.org/candidate-and-student/>
- Institute of Management Accountants, www.imanet.org
- The Institute of Management Accountants (IMA)- Portland Chapter: <http://www.ima-pdx.org/>
- Oregon Society of Certified Public Accountants: <https://www.orcpa.org/>
- Oregon Association of Independent Accountants (OAIA): <http://www.oaia.net/>

Finance

- American Finance Association: <http://www.afajof.org>
- American Financial Services Association: <https://www.afsaonline.org/>
- The Financial Planning Association: <https://www.onefpa.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- American Bankers Association: www.aba.com
- Risk Management Association: www.rmahq.org
- Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association: www.sifma.org
- Association for Financial Professionals of Oregon & SW Washington: www.oregonafp.org/
- Financial Executives International- Portland Chapter: <https://www.financialexecutives.org/Network/Chapters/Portland/Home.aspx>

Marketing

- American Marketing Association: <https://www.ama.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- American Marketing Association- Portland Chapter: <http://www.ama-pdx.org/>
- Direct Marketing Association: <https://thedma.org/>
- Marketing Research Association: <http://www.marketingresearch.org/>

- Marketing Research Association- Northwest Chapter: <http://northwestmra.org/>
- Society for Marketing Professional Services: <http://www.smps.org>
- Society for Marketing Professional Services- Oregon Chapter: <http://www.smpsoregon.org/>

Economics

- American Economic Association: <http://www.aeaweb.org/>
- National Association for Business Economics: <http://www.nabe.com>
- Pacific Northwest Regional Economic Conference: <http://www.pnrec.org/>
- Seattle Economics Council: <http://www.seattleeconomicscouncil.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- Association for Social Economics: <http://www.socialeconomics.org/>

Global Business

- NASBITE International : <http://www.nasbite.org/>
- Academy of International Business: <https://aib.msu.edu/>
- Academy of International Business- US West Chapter: https://aib.msu.edu/community/chapters/CH_US_West.asp

Operations and Technology Management

Logistics and Transportation

- Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals: <http://cscmp.org/>
- American Production and Inventory Control Society: <http://www.apics.org/>

Management Information Systems

- American Society for Information Science and Technology: <https://www.asist.org/>
- American Society for Information Science- Pacific Northwest Chapter: <http://www.asis.org/Chapters/pnc.html>
- Association for Computing Machinery: <http://www.acm.org/>
- Society for Information Management: <http://www.simnet.org/>
- Society for Information Management- Portland Chapter: <https://www.simnet.org/members/group.aspx?id=63203>

Entrepreneurship and Innovation Management

- Entrepreneurs' Organization: <https://www.eonetwork.org/>
- Entrepreneurs' Organization- Portland Chapter: <https://www.eonetwork.org/portland/>
- National Association for the Self-Employed: www.nase.org/
- National Federation of Independent Business: <http://www.nfib.com/>
- National Federation of Independent Business- Oregon Chapter: <http://www.nfib.com/oregon>

Education

- National Education Association: <http://www.nea.org/>
- Oregon Education Association: <http://www.oregoned.org/>
- American Federation of Teachers: <http://www.aft.org/>
- American Federation of Teachers- Oregon Chapter: <http://or.aft.org/>

Biology, Chemistry, and Physics Endorsement

- National Science Teachers Association: <http://www.nsta.org/>
- Oregon Science Teachers Association: <http://www.oregonscience.org/>

French, German, and Spanish Endorsement

- American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages: <http://www.actfl.org/>
- Confederation in Oregon for Language Teaching: <http://cofltoregon.org/>



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Language Arts Endorsement

- National Council of Teachers of English: <http://www.ncte.org/>
- Oregon Council of Teachers of English: <http://www.octe.org/>

Social Studies Endorsement

- National Council for the Social Studies: <http://www.socialstudies.org/>
- Oregon Council of the Social Studies: <http://www.oregonsocialstudies.org/>

Advanced Mathematics Endorsement

- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics: www.nctm.org/
- Oregon Council of Teachers of Mathematics: <http://www.octm.org/>

Engineering

- National Society of Professional Engineers: www.nspe.org/
- Professional Engineers of Oregon: <http://www.oregonengineers.org/>
- American Council of Engineering Companies: <http://www.acec.org/>
- American Council of Engineering Companies- Oregon Chapter: www.acecoregon.org
- Society of Women Engineers: <http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/>
- Society of Women Engineers- Region J (Northwest Star Region): <http://regionj.swe.org/>

Civil Engineering

- American Society of Civil Engineers: <http://www.asce.org/>
- American Society of Civil Engineers- Oregon Section: <http://www.asceor.org/>

Electrical Engineering

- The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering: www.ieee.org/
- The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineering- Region 6; Oregon Section: <http://www.ieee-oregon.org/>

Mechanical Engineering

- American Society of Mechanical Engineers: <http://www.asme.org/>
- Oregon Section of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers: https://community.asme.org/oregon_section/default.aspx

Computer Science

- IEEE Computer Society: <http://www.computer.org>
- American Society for Information Science and Technology: <https://www.asist.org/>
- American Society for Information Science- Pacific Northwest Chapter: <http://www.asis.org/Chapters/pnc.html>

Nursing

- American Nurses Association: www.nursingworld.org
- Oregon Nurses Association: <http://www.oregonrn.org/>
- National Student Nurses Association: www.nsna.org
- Oregon Student Nurses Association: <http://www.oregonsna.org/index.html>
- American Association of Critical Care Nurses: <http://www.aacn.org/>
- American Association of Critical Care Nurses- Greater Portland Chapter: <http://www.aacngpc.org/>
- Emergency Nurses Association: www.ena.org/

- Oregon Emergency Nurses Association: <https://oregonena.nursingnetwork.com/>
- National League for Nursing: www.nln.org

Biology

- American Institute of Biological Sciences: <http://www.aibs.org/home/index.html>
- Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology: <http://www.faseb.org/Home.aspx>
- American Association for the Advancement of Science: <http://www.aaas.org/>
- American Association for the Advancement of Science- Pacific Division: <http://associations.sou.edu/aaaspd/>
- American Society for Microbiology: <http://www.asmta.org/>
- American Society for Microbiology- Northwest Branch: <https://twitter.com/ASMNorthwest>

Chemistry

- American Chemical Society: www.acs.org/
- American Chemical Society- Portland Local Section: <http://portland-or.sites.acs.org/>
- American Association for the Advancement of Science: <http://www.aaas.org/>
- American Association for the Advancement of Science- Pacific Division: <http://associations.sou.edu/aaaspd/>
- American Institute of Chemists: <http://www.theaic.org>

Communication Studies

- National Communication Association: <http://www.natcom.org/>
- Western States Communication Association: <http://www.westcomm.org>
- Public Relations Society of America: www.prsa.org/
- Public Relations Society of America- Portland Metro Chapter: <http://prsapdx.org/>
- National Association of Broadcasters: www.nab.org/
- Oregon Association of Broadcasters: www.theoab.org/
- Magazine Publishers of America: www.magazine.org/
- The Association for Women in Communications: www.womcom.org/

Organizational Communication

- National Communication Association: <http://www.natcom.org/>
- Western States Communication Association: <http://www.westcomm.org>
- Association for Business Communication: <http://businesscommunication.org/>
- American Association of Advertising Agencies: <http://www.aaaa.org>
- Society for Human Resource Management: <http://www.shrm.org>
- The Portland Human Resource Management Association: <http://www.portlandhrma.org/>

English

- American Society of Journalists and Authors: www.asja.org
- Association of American Publishers: www.publishers.org
- Association of Literary Scholars, Critics, and Writers: <http://www.alscw.org/>
- News Media Alliance: <https://www.newsmediaalliance.org/>
- Writers Guild of America, West: www.wga.org
- Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators: www.scbwi.org/
- Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators- Oregon Chapter: <http://oregon.scbwi.org/>



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Environmental Science

- Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences: <https://aessonline.org/>
- National Association of Environmental Professionals: <http://www.naep.org/>
- Northwest Association of Environmental Professionals: <http://www.nwaep.org>
- North American Association for Environmental Education: <https://naaee.org/>
- Society of Wetland Scientists: www.sws.org/
- Society of Wetland Scientists- Pacific Northwest Chapter: <http://www.sws.org/pacific-northwest-chapter>

History

- American Historical Association: www.historians.org/
- Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association: <http://pcb.cgu.edu/>
- The Organization of American Historians: www.oah.org/
- National Council for History Education: www.nche.net/
- American Association for State and Local History: www.aaslh.org/
- The Oregon Historical Society: <http://www.ohs.org>
- Oregon Museums Association: <http://www.oregonmuseums.org/>
- Southern Oregon Historical Society: <http://www.sohs.org/>

International Language and Culture

- Association of International Educators: <http://www.nafsa.org/>
- Association of International Educators- Region I (WA, OR, ID, AK, BC): http://www.nafsa.org/Connect_and_Network/NAFSA_Regions/Region_I/Region_I/
- Council on International Educational Exchange: <http://www.ciee.org>
- Foreign Policy Association: <http://www.fpa.org/>
- American Translators Association: <http://www.atanet.org/>
- Northwest Translators and Interpreters Society: <http://www.notisnet.org/>

Mathematics

- American Mathematical Society: www.ams.org/
- American Mathematical Society- Western Section: <http://www.ams.org/meetings/sectional/sectional-index>
- American Statistical Association: <http://www.amstat.org/>
- American Statistical Association- Oregon Chapter: <http://community.amstat.org/oregonchapter/home>
- Association for Women in Mathematics: <https://sites.google.com/site/awmmath/>
- Mathematical Association of America: <http://www.maa.org/>
- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics: www.siam.org/

Performing and Fine Arts- Drama

- The Association of Performing Arts Presenters: <http://www.apap365.org>
- American Association of Community Theater: www.aact.org/
- Screen Actors Guild: www.sagaftra.org/
- Screen Actors Guild- Portland: <http://www.sagaftra.org/portland>
- Educational Theater Association: <http://schooltheatre.org/>
- Educational Theater Association- Oregon Thespians: <http://www.oregonthespians.org/>

Performing and Fine Arts- Music

- The Association of Performing Arts Presenters: <http://www.apap365.org>
- National Association for Music Education: <http://www.nafme.org/>

- Oregon Music Education Association: <http://www.oregonmusic.org/>
- American Federation of Musicians: <http://www.afm.org/>
- American Federation of Musicians, Local 99 (Portland, OR): <http://afm99.org/>

Philosophy

- American Philosophical Association: <http://www.apaonline.org/>
- American Philosophical Association- Pacific Division: <http://www.apaonline.org/group/pacific>
- Association of Practical and Professional Ethics: <http://appe.indiana.edu/>
- American Philosophical Society: <http://www.amphilsoc.org/>

Physics

- American Association for the Advancement of Science: <http://www.aaas.org/>
- American Association for the Advancement of Science- Pacific Division: <http://associations.sou.edu/aaaspd/>
- Society of Physics Students: <http://www.spsnational.org/>
- American Institute of Physics: <http://www.aip.org/>
- American Physical Society: <http://www.aps.org/>
- American Physical Society- Northwest Section: <http://www.aps.org/units/nws/index.cfm>

Political Science

- American Political Science Association: <http://www.apsanet.org/>
- Pacific Northwest Political Science Association: <https://foley.wsu.edu/research/pnwpsa/>
- International Association for Political Science: <http://www.iapss.org/>
- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management: <http://www.appam.org/>

Pre-Health Professions

Medicine

- American Medical Association: <http://www.ama-assn.org>
- Oregon Medical Association: <http://www.theoma.org/>
- American Academy of Emergency Medicine: <http://www.aaem.org>
- American Academy of Family Physicians: <http://www.aafp.org>
- Oregon Academy of Family Physicians: <http://oafp.org/>
- American College of Physicians: <http://www.acponline.org/>
- American College of Physicians- Oregon Chapter: <https://www.acponline.org/about-acp/chapters-regions/united-states/oregon-chapter>

Dentistry

- American Dental Association: www.ada.org
- Oregon Dental Association: <http://www.oregondental.org>
- Academy of General Dentistry: <http://www.agd.org/>
- Oregon Academy of General Dentistry: www.oragd.org/
- American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry: www.aapd.org
- Oregon Academy of Pediatric Dentistry: <http://www.oapd.org/>
- American Academy of Periodontology: <http://www.perio.org/>
- Western Society of Periodontology: <http://www.wsperio.org/>

Pharmacy

- American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy: www.aacp.org
- American Pharmacists Association: <http://www.pharmacist.com/>
- Oregon State Pharmacy Association: <http://www.oregonpharmacy.org/>



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- American Society of Health-System Pharmacists: www.ashp.org/
- Oregon Society of Health-System Pharmacists: <http://oshp.org>
- Professional Compounding Centers of America: <http://www.pccarx.com/>

Occupational Therapy

- American Occupational Therapy Association: <http://www.aota.org/>
- Occupational Therapy Association of Oregon: <http://www.otao.com/>
- The American Occupational Therapy Foundation: <http://www.aotf.org>
- World Federation of Occupational Therapists: <http://www.wfot.org/>

Optometry

- American Optometric Association: <http://www.aoa.org/>
- American Optometric Student Association: <http://www.theaosa.org/>
- Oregon Optometric Physicians Association: <http://www.oregonoptometry.org/>
- National Optometric Association: <http://nationaloptometricassociation.com/>
- National Optometric Student Association: <http://www.natoptstudentassoc.org/>

Veterinary

- American Veterinary Medical Association: <https://www.avma.org>
- Oregon Veterinary Medical Association: <http://oregonvma.org/>
- American Pre-Veterinary Medical Association: <http://apvma.org/>
- United States Animal Health Association: <http://www.usaha.org/>
- Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society: <http://www.veccs.org/>
- Student Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Society: <http://www.sveccs.org/>

Psychology

- American Psychological Association: www.apa.org/
- Oregon Psychological Association: <http://www.opa.org>
- Association for Psychological Science: <http://www.psychologicalscience.org/>
- Society of Clinical Psychology: <http://www.div12.org/>
- American Counseling Association: www.counseling.org/
- Oregon Counseling Association: www.or-counseling.org/
- American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy: www.aamft.org/
- The Oregon Association for Marriage and Family Therapy: www.oamft.org/

Social and Behavioral Science

- American Psychological Association: www.apa.org/
- Oregon Psychological Association: <http://www.opa.org>
- Association of Professional Behavior Analysts: <http://www.apbhome.net/>
- Oregon Association for Behavior Analysis: <http://oraba.org/>
- Consortium of Social Science Associations: <http://www.cossa.org/>
- American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences: <http://www.aabss.net/>

Social Work

- National Association of Social Workers: www.socialworkers.org/
- National Association of Social Workers- Oregon Chapter: <http://nasworegon.org/>
- National Association of Social Workers- Student Center: <http://www.naswdc.org/students/>

- Clinical Social Work Association: <http://www.clinicalsocialworkassociation.org/>
- Council on Social Work Education: <http://www.cswe.org/>

Sociology

- American Sociological Association: www.asanet.org/
- Association for Applied and Clinical Sociology: <http://www.aacsnet.net/>
- The Association for Humanist Sociology: <http://www.humanist-sociology.org/>
- International Sociological Association: <http://www.isa-sociology.org/>

Theology

- American Academy of Religion: <http://www.aarweb.org/>
- American Academy of Religion- Pacific Northwest Region: <http://pnw-aarsbl.org/>
- American Association of Pastoral Counselors: <http://www.aapc.org/>
- American Association of Pastoral Counselors- Northwest Region: <http://www.aapcnwregion.org/>
- North American Association for the Study of Religion: <http://www.naasr.com>