ACRO CRITERIA FOR FELLOWSHIP

All Candidates for Fellowship Must be Board Certified by a Board that is Recognized by The American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS)

Accelerated: A Candidate for accelerated Fellowship must be a continuous regular dues-paying member for at least five (5) years, have attended one (1) annual meeting in the last five (5) years and attend the annual meeting in which he or she receives the award. Also, he or she must have demonstrated extraordinary service to the College. Examples can include multi-year and/or multi-committee service to the College in a leadership role or with added responsibility as compared to other Committee members, or as an active ACRO liaison to another society. Meritorious service to radiation oncology or medicine through education, research or other service activities will also factor into the final decision. Accelerated Fellowship comes by nomination from the board and not by an application. Once nominated, candidates will be required to complete the necessary forms, which will then be reviewed by the Fellowship and Awards Committee. Being nominated is an honor but final selection is made by the ACRO Fellowship and Awards Committee. The number of Fellows selected each year is dependent on the quality of the information submitted by the candidate.

Regular: A candidate for regular Fellowship must be a continuous regular dues-paying member for at least the previous ten (10) years, have attended at least one (1) annual meeting in the last five (5) years prior to applying, and attend the annual meeting in which he or she receives the award. Also, the candidate must have displayed meritorious service to the College. Examples can include at least a complete year of active service on a College committee or board work or as an ACRO liaison to another society. Meritorious service to radiation oncology or medicine through education, research or other service activities will also factor into the final decision. Application forms and information for regular Fellowship can be obtained from the College office. Selection and approval will be made by the Fellowship & Awards Committee.

Ceremony: Fellowship in ACRO will be conferred on successful candidates at the Fellowship and Awards Ceremony at the annual meeting. No approved candidate will be awarded FACRO status if not present at the ceremony. Approved candidates who are unable to attend will be automatically included in the class of the following year, subject to approval by the Fellowship and Awards Committee. If Fellowship is not conferred at the following year’s annual meeting due to non-attendance, a new nomination/application will be required.

Other: Being recognized as a Fellow of the American College of Radiation Oncology is one of the most prestigious honors the College can bestow on a member. Most importantly, recipients must carry out efforts that benefit ACRO, the specialty of radiation oncology and most importantly, the patients they serve. Any recipient who is no longer a member of ACRO will generally lose Fellow status unless exceptional hardship or retirement can be documented. Recipients should reach out to the ACRO office for more information.

For details on the application process, please contact the ACRO office: 206-956-3650 or email: info@acro.org.

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