

# Council Elections

## Overview and Frequently Asked Questions

**The following answers to these frequently asked questions is intended to enable you to make an informed decision to take advantage of the personally and professionally rewarding opportunity to participate in the self-regulation of the professions in the public interest.**

### **What is the Council of the College?**

The Council is CASLPO's governing body and its role is to serve the public interest by overseeing the regulation of the practice of audiologists (AUDs) and speech-language pathologists (SLPs). The Council is composed of up to eighteen members. Nine members of the College are elected by their peers. Two are academic members and seven are public members appointed to the Council by the Provincial government for terms decided by the government.

### **Am I eligible to stand for election?**

You are eligible to stand for election if:

- You hold a current certificate of registration in Ontario
- You are not in default of payment of any prescribed fees; or providing any required information to the College
- You work or reside in the electoral district where the election is being held
- You are not currently the subject of a disciplinary or incapacity proceeding
- Your certificate of registration has not been revoked or suspended in the six years preceding the date of the election for any reason other than the non-payment of fees
- You are not a member of the council of any other RHPA college
- You are not a candidate in, or already a member of the Council for, another electoral district [click here to review the By-laws in detail](#)

### **How long is the term of office?**

Council members hold their positions for a **three-year term**. Each professional member may serve a maximum of three terms, for a total of nine consecutive years. Council members also serve on committees that consider projects that further CASLPO's strategic goals.

### **How often does Council meet?**

Council typically meets four times a year. In addition, members are appointed to at least two statutory committees. The number of committee meetings per year (which may include panels, hearings, or working groups) varies according to committee workload. Council members also spend time preparing for these meetings.

### **How will I be reimbursed for expenses?**

Council members are **reimbursed for all reasonable travel and accommodation expenses and receive an honorarium** for their time commitment. Professional and Academic members are reimbursed by CASLPO at prescribed rates. Public members are reimbursed by the government in accordance with Ministry guidelines.

### **I am excited about running for a position. What do I do next?**

The nomination and election process is electronic. Please watch for an email to be sent to eligible voters from the Registrar. Please do not send any election related material (hard copy or electronic) *directly* to the College office but instead, complete the e-nominations process using the link provided. To stand for election, you must be nominated by 3 members of the College who are in good standing. A nomination form is provided for you to complete electronically. Within the electronic process, you will be asked to submit a short biography, candidate statement and photo of yourself.

### **If elected, when do I take office?**

Newly elected members of Council will typically attend the next Council Meeting, which at this time, is scheduled for June 6, 2019.

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