**ACS Next Generation Leaders and Student Board of Directors Member**

**2025 Application Process**

The American Constitution Society is pleased to offer its student members two opportunities to enhance their engagement in ACS’s work: the ACS Next Generation Leaders (NGL) program and a two-year term on the ACS Board of Directors.

**Selection Criteria**:

* Current law students who are ACS national members are eligible to apply for the NGL program.
	+ If you are not an ACS national member, sign up for national membership [online](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fgo.acslaw.org%2Fe%2F584003%2Fmembership-join-us-%2F3ng9wt%2F1161431886%3Fh%3D7nzevCp1Ebzd2GkfX2BG2NDpWMFbh_3asII3s_p4SW4&data=05%7C01%7Cpli%40acslaw.org%7C66fce4efd4654652bf8508dad16c75dd%7C68f0261aecd5440ea931b9416a380d30%7C0%7C0%7C638052561035243305%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2FSYxk62bqAD2MJ87Bhm2F52M9iCehwdilgVnwVXlzbk%3D&reserved=0) ($25). Current law students who become a member at $25 or more will have their membership until December 31 of their graduation year.
* Students applying for the Board of Directors must also apply for the NGL program or already be an existing NGL. 2025 graduates are not eligible to apply for the Board of Directors position.

The ideal candidate for the NGL program and the Board position:

* Is or was a leader of the board of an ACS chapter;
* Has a demonstrated understanding of ACS’s mission;
* Is a dedicated member of ACS’s national community as demonstrated by regular coordination with the national office and other ACS chapters, engagement in national programming initiatives, and attendance at one or more ACS convention(s);
* Is committed to continuing engagement with ACS after graduation from law school;
* Has the maturity and judgment to serve as an ACS Next Generation Leader and/or as a member of the Board, with all the fiduciary duties the position entails; and
* Has the time, energy, ability, and commitment to engage fully in the opportunities afforded to NGLs and, for the Board of Directors position, to attend Board meetings, participate in committee work, and raise funds.

ACS is committed to promoting diversity with respect to all aspects of the organization, including its ACS Next Generation Leaders, Board of Directors, Board of Advisors, staff, and membership. ACS is an equal opportunity organization; women, people of color, people with disabilities, and gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people are encouraged to apply.

**Application**: Interested members should submit the following materials to the ACS national office by **February 14, 2025**.

* Completed application form (see below);
* 1-page personal statement that includes:
	+ Your record of service to ACS (including a short summary of your contributions to your chapter).
	+ How ACS helped you shape or reach your law school and/or career goals? Please share specifics about any connections ACS has facilitated in your job/internship search.
	+ Why both you and the organization would benefit from your service as an NGL.
	+ Your plan to transition to a lawyer chapter following graduation.
	+ If applying for the Board, please also include:
		- A summary of your expected contribution to the ACS National Board,
		- What perspective you’d add to the Board, and
		- Why both you and the organization would benefit from your service as a member of the National ACS Board.
* Resume;
* List of relevant references (no more than 3); and
* 1 recommendation letter, which should be from a faculty member or lawyer chapter leader familiar with your involvement with ACS.

**Deadline**:Please email all materials (including recommendation, if available) in *one* PDF. If your recommender wants to send their letter separately, please (1) have your recommender email the letter to campus@acslaw.org and (2) indicate in your application packet that your recommendation is being sent separately. Only completed applications will be considered.\* Applications and recommendations should be emailed to campus@acslaw.org by **February 14, 2025**.

**Selection Timeline**: ACS will accept application packets through **February 14, 2025**. Selected interviews for Board consideration will take place thereafter. **All students selected for board interviews must be available for a virtual interview (dates/times TBA).**

Note: All applicants will receive correspondence from the national office regarding the status of their application. Reviewing and processing NGL applications typically takes about 3-4 weeks after the February 14 deadline. Reviewing and processing ACS Board of Directors applications typically takes about 4-5 weeks after the February 14 deadline. Thank you for your patience. Please do not hesitate to direct questions to the ACS Chapters Team at campus@acslaw.org. Best wishes and good luck!

\* Please reach out to ACS National (Campus@acslaw.org) ASAP if you are having difficulty reaching out to your recommender or if you know that your application will be delayed for an unforeseen reason outside of your control. Depending on the circumstance and if feasible, we *may* be able to provide a short, one-time extension.

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| **Name:**  | **Email** (If 2025 graduate, use non-school e-mail): | **What are your pronouns?** |
| **Phone Number:** | **Law School:**  | **Grad. Year:**  |
| **Chapter Leadership Positions Held:** | **ACS Faculty Advisor(s):** |
| **Summer 2025 Employer:** | **Summer 2025 City, State:**  |
| **If 2025 graduate, Post-Bar Exam Employer:** | **Post-Bar Exam City, State:** |

**2025 Application Form**

Please indicate if you are applying for:

[ ] Both NGL and Board Member

[ ] NGL only

[ ] Board Member only [If so, indicate the year you were accepted as an NGL: ]

If chosen as an NGL and/or Board Member:

1. Will you provide a headshot for use on the [ACS NGL webpage](https://www.acslaw.org/membership/careers/next-generation-leaders/) within one week of being chosen as an NGL.

[ ] Yes [ ] No

1. Will you give ACS permission to use your name on the ACS website and on social media posts (as related to the NGL Program)?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

1. Will you give ACS permission to use your photo on the ACS website and on social media posts (as related to the NGL Program)?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

1. Will you give ACS permission to use quotes from your NGL application for social media posts (as related to the NGL Program)?

[ ] Yes [ ] No

*The following demographic questions allow us to analyze the diversity of ACS and how it compares to the legal community at large. This data supports our efforts to make ACS a more diverse and representative organization and provide an inclusive environment for all our members. All demographic questions are optional and no personally identifiable information will be shared outside ACS without your permission.*

Which ethnic and/or racial group(s) best describe you? Select all that apply.

[ ]  American Indian or Alaskan Native

[ ]  Asian

[ ]  Black or African American

[ ]  Hispanic or Latino

[ ]  Middle Eastern or North African

[ ]  Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

[ ]  White

[ ]  Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  Decline to answer

What is your gender identity? Select all that apply:

[ ]  Male

[ ]  Female

[ ]  Non-Binary

[ ]  Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  Decline to answer

 Do you identify as a member of the LGBTQIA+ community?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  Decline to answer

Are you a first-generation college graduate?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  Decline to answer

Are you a first-generation law student?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  Decline to answer

Did you or your parents immigrate to the United States?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  Decline to answer

Do you identify as a person with a disability or other chronic condition?

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

[ ]  Prefer to self-describe: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

[ ]  Decline to answer

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your lived experience or perspective?