

# ATA Specialist Councils

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The ATA's specialist councils exist to increase members' knowledge and skills in defined specialty areas related to curriculum subjects (eg, science, math, art); leadership or support roles (eg, school leaders, counsellors); professional competencies (eg, Indigenous education, inclusive education); or specific pedagogical contexts (eg, grade groupings, unique learning environments). Councils organize in-person and online workshops and conferences; publish newsletters, journals and resources; and provide opportunities for ATA members to collaborate with and learn from each other.



Additional Languages  
and Intercultural Council



Career and Technology  
Education Council



Conseil français



Council for English as  
an Additional Language



Council for Inclusive  
Education



Council for  
School Leadership



Council of School  
Counsellors



Early Childhood  
Education Council



Educational  
Technology Council



English Language  
Arts Council



Fine Arts  
Council



Global, Environmental &  
Outdoor Education Council



Health and Physical  
Education Council



Indigenous  
Education Council



Mathematics  
Council



Middle Years  
Council



Outreach Education  
Council



Religious and Moral  
Education Council



Science  
Council



Social Studies  
Council

### MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

#### ACTIVE MEMBERS

Active members of the ATA may register for a single no-charge membership in the council of their choice which will renew automatically until they change their no-charge membership to a different council. They may also purchase memberships in additional councils, which are valid for one year. Active members may vote and hold office as council table officers and executive committee members.

#### STUDENT MEMBERS

Student members of the ATA may register for as many no-charge council memberships as they like. These memberships renew automatically, provided the students remain members of the ATA local at their postsecondary institution and renew their ATA online account each fall. Student members may not vote or hold office, but they may volunteer to assist council executive officers with certain tasks.

#### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Associate members of the ATA may purchase council memberships, which are valid for one year. They may vote and hold office as council table officers and executive committee members, provided associate membership is the highest level of ATA membership available to them.

#### LIFE MEMBERS

Life members of the ATA may purchase council memberships, which are valid for one year. However, they may not vote or hold office, unless they purchase associate membership or renew their active membership through substitute or contracted teaching.

#### NONMEMBERS AND ORGANIZATIONS

The ATA offers an annual subscription service that allows nonmembers and organizations to receive digital and hardcopies of council newsletters and publications. Libraries, postsecondary institutions and member organizations of the Canadian Teachers' Federation may subscribe free of charge. Other organizations and individuals who are ineligible for ATA membership may purchase subscriptions to the councils of their choice. Subscribers cannot vote, hold office or attend council events.

# Specialist Council Application/Renewal Information

## Active Members and Student Members

Sign up for or renew your no-charge council memberships using your ATA Online Services account (username@teachers.ab.ca) through our online membership portal: <https://scms.teachers.ab.ca/Pages/default.aspx>. Active members can purchase annual memberships in additional councils through the portal using a credit card.

## Associate Members, Life Members, NonMembers and Organizations

To sign up for or renew specialist council memberships or subscriptions, please call 1-800-232-7208 and ask to speak to someone in Professional Development or e-mail [pd@ata.ab.ca](mailto:pd@ata.ab.ca). Payment can be made by cheque or credit card.

The current fee structure for paid council memberships and subscriptions is shown in the table below. No-charge memberships for active and student members are not included.

COUNCIL	Active Members	Associate Members	Life Members	Subscribers
Additional Languages and Intercultural Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50
Career and Technology Education Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40
Conseil français	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20
Council for English as an Additional Language	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25
Council for Inclusive Education	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25
Council for School Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
Council of School Counsellors	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
Early Childhood Education Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30
Educational Technology Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30
English Language Arts Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40
Fine Arts Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25
Global, Environmental & Outdoor Education Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30
Health and Physical Education Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
Indigenous Education Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
Mathematics Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35
Middle Years Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30
Outreach Education Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10
Religious and Moral Education Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30
Science Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40
Social Studies Council	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35	<input type="checkbox"/> \$35

For more information about the ATA's specialist councils or for the directory of council websites, please head to <https://teachers.ab.ca/specialist-councils> and click the specialist council link under the professional development menu.

