

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING ADAA FELLOWSHIP

Candidates will have up to 5 years to complete their fellowship from date of acceptance

What is the difference between “enrollment” and “application” as it relates to the Fellowship Program?

In order to participate in the ADAA Fellowship Program, you must enroll in the program by submitting a Program Application Form along with the application fee. Once you have applied and been approved, you may begin accumulating the credit hours required to earn the Fellowship Award. You will submit your credits on the [ADAA](#) website. When you have accumulated the necessary credit hours, you will apply for the Fellowship Award by requesting an award form from the [ADAA](#) Central Office. The [ADAA](#) Council on Fellowship/Mastership will review your credits to verify that all requirements are met and upon verification, an Award will be sent.

I just became a member of the [ADAA](#) – can I join the Fellowship Program?

Yes! You may enroll in the Fellowship program immediately upon joining the [ADAA](#) and receive your Fellowship Award whenever you complete your credit hours. Student members, however, are not eligible to participate in the program until they become active members.

What does the term Course Credit mean?

Course Credit means Continuing Education Credit received for attending lecture, participation, and/or home study courses. Typically, one hour of course work is equal to 1 credit (CE).

How do I know what requirements are needed?

Refer to the link titled “[Fellowship Requirements and Guidelines](#)” in the online [ADAA](#) Fellowship Enrollment Packet. It can be found on the website.

I’m required to take CPR every year – will they all count towards my Fellowship?

Yes, however, a maximum of twelve hours of CPR courses may be used in the P1 Medical Emergencies category. Any additional hours of CPR courses may be used in the Elective category.

If I take a virtual online continuing education course, what category does it go under?

Most online courses will be given credit as an elective. To be given credit as a lecture/webinar course, the participant must be able to interact with the speaker. If you can ask questions in real-time and receive an answer in real-time, the course will be given credit as a lecture/webinar course. Any other online course is considered an elective.

If I take a course that falls under two different subject categories, can I use two different subject category codes?

No. You can only use one subject category code per submission.

Please direct any specific questions about CE to info@adaausa.org

Do I have to renew my Fellowship or maintain it with CE like my CDA or state credential?

Since the [ADAA](#) Fellowship is an award and not a credential, there is no continuing education requirement to maintain your Fellowship, however, you must maintain an active membership with the [ADAA](#) to continue using the designation.

Can I start using the initials FADAA as soon as I turn in all my required Fellowship credits?

No. You must wait until you receive your award before using the initials FADAA after your name. You may only use the FADAA designation as an active member of the [ADAA](#).

Is there anyone who can answer my questions as I go through this process?

Yes. There are members who have completed their Fellowship who would be willing to mentor you through the process. Contact ADAA Central Office (877-874-3785 or info@adaausa.org) or the Council on Fellowship/Mastership Chair and request a mentor.