



Grades of Professional Membership

In considering an application for membership, ACP's Council will evaluate the Applicant's recognised qualification(s) and/or employment experience. There are six grades of membership, together with the honorary award of Fellow, for which an individual may not apply. The following table is intended only to provide a guide to the employment experience required to attain a level of membership.

The nature, quality and extent of an individual's formal study, specialised training and/or employment experience will be the grading criteria applied by the Council. As Members progress in experience and skills, they may apply for a higher grade of membership than that which is currently held.

Grade	Designatory Letters	Basic Definition of Grade
Student	<i>(none)</i>	One who is studying for an ACP qualification but who, ordinarily, has no employment experience within ICT.
Practitioner	<i>(none)</i>	One who is employed within ICT, but whose employment experience is not, as yet, sufficient for admission to Licentiate or higher status within the Association.
Licentiate	LACP	One who is employed within ICT and who has a minimum of 2 years' approved experience* within that industry.
Associate	AACP	One who is employed within ICT and who has a minimum of 4 years' approved experience* within that industry.
Member	MACP	One who is employed within ICT and who has a minimum of 8 years' approved experience within that industry.
Graduate	GradACP	This grade of membership is reserved for one who has passed the Association's examinations and attained the ACP Advanced Diploma , or equivalent qualification(s).
Fellow	FACP	Awarded selectively by ACP's Council to one who has made a significant contribution to the Association or to the ICT industry in general.

** This figure may be reduced, depending on any relevant qualification(s) held by the individual. However, regardless of qualification(s) held, an application for Associate Membership will be subject to an absolute minimum entry requirement of 2 years' approved employment experience. An application for Full Membership will be subject to an absolute minimum entry requirement of 3 years; approved employment experience.*