

Education Committee

Committee Description: The Education Committee oversees and directs education through the ACS Annual Conference, online education seminars, and cross-industry partnerships. Members of this committee work together to review, develop, and promote education and establish the educational offerings for the calendar year. Serving on this committee allows members to meet, interact with, and learn from some of the greatest minds and visionaries in our industry. Members of this committee have access to professional development through networking, project planning and management, and leadership experiences.

Roles & Responsibilities:

- What does the committee work on? For the Annual Conference, each committee member serves as a liaison for 3-4 conference sessions, reviews and approves session proposals and content, and defines conference program schedule. For Online Seminars, the committee works with webinar leaders to ensure the delivery of clear, professional presentations and materials and reviews and approves webinar proposals and content.
- Is any travel required? Members are required to travel to our annual conference planning meeting, which is held in January over 2-3 days. Members area also expected to attend the annual conference as part of their liaison duties.

Time Commitment:

- What months are busiest and how many hours are generally expected of a committee
 member each month? The weeks leading up to our annual conference are the busiest,
 members can expect to commit around 10 hours per month to session development during
 this time.
- How long are members expected to participate on the committee? Members are asked to serve a minimum of three years, with a maximum of six.

Desired Skills:

• Are there any skills that are required? The Education Committee is unique in that it serves as a voice for our membership. Our work is to identify the needs of the cheese community and produce content that speaks to those needs. As such, it is crucial that our committee be composed of a diverse group of individuals - people with distinct viewpoints, experience levels, skill sets, roles in the supply chain, etc. – if you're reading this, you've likely got the skills we desire!

Meeting Schedule:

- Education Committee meetings are held bi-weekly at a time and date that best suits the availability of a simple majority of its members. We determine this at the beginning of each yearly cycle and adjust as needed throughout the year.
- Serving members are asked to attend a minimum of every other meeting

