



ACADEMY

of

Social Sciences

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Affiliate Scheme

Who we are and what we do

The Academy is the voice of the social science community in the UK. It promotes research, publishes learned material, distributes information, organizes workshops and events and contributes to public debates on issues affecting the social sciences. Its focus is multidisciplinary and encompasses both theoretical and applied work.

The Academy comprises a network of 600 individual Academicians and over 30 Learned Societies drawn widely from research, teaching, consultancy and professional practice in:

- Business and Administrative Sciences
- Communication Sciences
- Criminology
- Demography
- Economics
- Education
- Environmental Sciences
- Geography
- International Relations
- Law and socio-legal studies
- Pedagogy and Education Research
- Political Sciences
- Policy Evaluation
- Psychology and Cognitive Sciences
- Social Anthropology
- Social Statistics and Information
- Social Policy
- Sociology
- Women's studies

Full membership of the Academy is only available to individuals who have made a

significant contribution to the social sciences. It is by nomination and is subject to peer review. Similarly, Learned Societies need to be membership associations promoting excellence in at least one of the social science areas.

The Academy has launched an Affiliate Scheme to confer many of the benefits of full membership.

Why join us

Becoming an Affiliate is an effective way of reaching a distinguished membership of social scientists with a great deal of knowledge and expertise. It is also the way to become part of the wider social science network.

1. Affiliates will receive:

- a copy of the journal – 21st Century Society – issued three times a year
- a monthly e-Newsletter
- invitations to a range of events

2. Affiliates will be able to :

- Submit material for inclusion
 - In the monthly e-Newsletter which goes to all Members
 - In the Members area of our website (www.acss.org.uk)
- Contribute articles to 21st Century Society
- Set up displays at Academy events to promote their work
- Take places at the Academy's Annual President's Lunch, giving unrivalled networking opportunities

3. Affiliates will also be able to participate in, and contribute to, workshops, conferences and symposia. These events communicate developments in intellectual thought and facilitate debate on the implications for both public policy and corporate development. Highly topical issues have included:

- Knowledge Transfer and Public Engagement
- Researching Standards in Public Life (with the SRA)
- Social Science Perspectives on the 2012 London Olympic Games
- What is Scientific about Social Science?

4. Affiliates will be encouraged to make an input into the Academy's responses to Government consultation documents. Recent responses included:

- Efficiency and effectiveness of peer review
- Research Excellence Framework
- Public Benefit for Charities
- Science in Society

5. Through the Academy, Affiliates will be able to share their knowledge and expertise with others and have access to individuals with the latest research findings and intellectual thinking about topical issues, which might affect how to develop their organisation and management practices.

Who should join

Departments, Faculties and Schools in Universities and other Higher Educational Institutions

Research units and institutes

Think tanks

Social science groupings within the public sector at central, regional and local government levels

Voluntary organisations and charities concerned with social issues

Consultants operating in the social sciences
Lobbying organizations

Any commercial enterprise operating in the social sciences

Individuals with an interest in the social sciences, irrespective of position

How to join

By completion of an Application Form and sending it to the Academy's Offices:

Academy of Social Sciences
30 Tabernacle Street, London EC2A 4UE

Tel: 0207 330 0898

Email: administrator@acss.org.uk

Copies of the Form are also available on the Academy's website www.acss.org.uk

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Rates for Affiliate Membership extended to expire 31st December 2010

Individual – Standard Membership	£50
Individual – Discounted Membership*	£35
Corporate Membership	£500
Organisation Membership**	£250

* Discounted Membership is available only to Individuals already a Full Member of a Learned Society which is itself a Member of the Academy of Social Sciences.

** Organisation Membership is available only to Organisations in Higher Education Institutions (eg Faculty; School) and the Public and Not For Profit sectors.

