

# Texas Aggie Conservatives



## Membership Levels and Requirements

The Texas Aggie Conservatives have three membership levels: **Supporter, Member, and Distinguished Member.**

**Membership dues are \$20.** After you pay your dues, you become a "Supporter." You also receive a TAC shirt and other freebies. Dues can be paid online (credit card/check) or at any meeting (cash/check).

### Supporter

The "Supporter" is the entry level into the Texas Aggie Conservatives. Supporters have paid their dues and support the conservative movement. They are supporters of the organization but are not full members. The "Supporter" can come to TAC events and general meetings, but there are many benefits and special meetings reserved for only those who are members. In general, the "Supporter" is either on his/her way to becoming a member or wants to attend some events and support the conservative movement but has commitments that prevent him/her from becoming a full member.

### Member

**To become a "Member", "Supporters" must show their dedication to conservatism and the Texas Aggie Conservatives by putting in two hours of work for the organization. Pathways to fulfill the two hour requirement include:**

- **1 hour of the following:**
  - Passing out fliers, pushcards, marketing material, or other handouts; or,
  - Participating in a protest/activism, holding a poster, wearing a human sandwich board; or,
  - Tabling or passing out fliers for recruitment
- **And, an additional 1 hour of either of the above activities or completing one of the following:**
  - Writing 2 blog posts for TAC on CampusReform.org
  - Either getting published in the Batt mailcall (or the Eagle) or submitting mailcall twice (BCC the submission to [aggieconservatives@gmail.com](mailto:aggieconservatives@gmail.com); we'll post published and unpublished submissions on our website)
  - Technology work such as photography, video, webpage, etc (ask for details on this)
  - 1 hour of help with direct mail or other fundraising effort
  - Participating in a campus building fliering run
  - At least 1 hour of help running a speaker event or activism event
  - Getting at least 5 other students to join TAC
  - Other job/task/event announced by the officers
  - Anything else you can think of to help the conservative movement (run it by the officers to see if it will count)

Members are responsible for the success of TAC . Active members are necessary in order to continue spreading conservative ideas on campus. Because of the great dedication to the advancement of conservative principles members show, they are rightfully rewarded for their time and efforts. **In addition to personal accomplishment and being a part of a group of likeminded people, there are many benefits for members of TAC.** Many TAC meetings are for members only. There are many other perks for becoming a member:

- Members have a large say in the direction of the organization.
- Members get to suggest events/speakers and influence the activities of the organization.
- Members influence the policy and ideological direction of the group.
- Members are eligible to vote on endorsements.
- Members receive lots of free stuff, including a members only TAC shirt
- TAC helps members get conservative internships and jobs.
- Special members only meetings, dinner meetings, and other special events.
- TAC will help pay for trips, conservative conferences (such as CPAC), and training for members.
- Being eligible for officer positions and larger roles in TAC.

After you have met the requirements to become a member, you will be recognized at the next general meeting, receive a certificate of membership, and your name will be added to the TAC website.

### **Distinguished Member**

Distinguished Members are the top contributors to TAC. Distinguished Members are Members who show unwavering dedication to TAC: they come to most events and meetings, help with the daily functions of the organization, and are ideologically aligned with the organization. Once Members have contributed over 10 hours to the organization – refer to list on first page (meetings do not count towards this total)– they are considered by the TAC officers for promotion to the “Distinguished Member” level. Distinguished Members are strong contenders for officer positions and have significant influence in the organization.

### **Member Expectations**

TAC is most effective when it is spreading the conservative message to other people. While it is good to come to meetings, conservatism is advanced the most by what TAC members do outside of general meetings. Therefore, members should make an effort to help with TAC activism, recruitment, fliering, and other activities. Members should place a priority on helping TAC outside of meetings and realize that it is not absolutely necessary to come to meetings in order to be involved in TAC.

Also, it is important to stay in touch with the TAC leaders if you want to become more involved. It allows us to know that you are dedicated and gives us a chance to get to know you. If you are interested in a leadership position in the organization, it is especially important that you let us know and keep in touch.

**Important: In order to help us keep track of your membership requirement hours, please email us at [aggieconservatives@gmail.com](mailto:aggieconservatives@gmail.com) after you contribute time to TAC. Let us know what you did and for how long. Put “Membership” in the subject line of the email.**