



ONCOLOGY STUDENT INTEREST GROUP (OSIG) PROGRAM  
Application Deadline: 11:59 PM EDT on Monday, August 30, 2021

## Overview

ASCO is committed to supporting the next generation of cancer care providers through the Oncology Student Interest Group (OSIG) program. ASCO's goals are to connect interest groups from across the country and to provide resources to physicians-in-training who are interested in oncology. OSIG program benefits include:

- Access to situational mentoring opportunities with oncologists and oncology trainees
- Access to networking opportunities
- Opportunity to submit research to a medical student and resident Abstract Forum at the ASCO Annual Meeting
- Access to complimentary student registration to the ASCO Annual Meeting
- **NOTE:** In addition to the benefits listed above, **groups can submit a budget in the application to also be considered for funds** which may be used for activities/events that support the group-at-large (food for an event, supplies for a fundraiser, etc.).

## Application Overview

Please visit [ASCO's SurveyMonkey Apply](#) to complete an application.

**You must have an ASCO account to log into ASCO's SurveyMonkey Apply.**

- Once on the site, please click "Log In" in the top right corner
  - If you have an ASCO member or guest account, sign-in with your ASCO credentials
  - If you do not have an ASCO account, please click "Create Account" to first create a guest account.
- Please see page 3 for additional details on becoming an ASCO member. Membership *free* for all students and trainees.
  - All OSIG leaders must become ASCO members, so we encourage you to complete your membership as soon as possible.

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All application materials must be in English and submitted by the primary student leader of the interest group, in accordance with the instructions listed in this document.

Interest groups must be comprised of medical students and/or non-oncology residents (i.e. internal medicine residents). Only one application per institution and per interest group will be accepted.

## Application Components

### I. **REQUIRED: Applicant Information Form**

*Your contact information will populate from your ASCO account. For the following questions, please complete them as follows:*

- If you have a doctorate degree, enter the date you completed or will complete your final doctoral fellowship training.
  - *Please enter the future date that you **expect** to complete medical school.*
- Field of Clinical Training
  - *Please select Oncology and any other clinical interest areas.*
- Field of Research Training
  - *Please select Not Applicable or indicate any interest areas you may have.*



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**II. REQUIRED: Application Form (Short Answer Questions)**

- Please list your interest group's planned activities/events for the upcoming academic year. If you are a newly established interest group (meaning this is your first year operating as a group at your institution) and have not yet identified specific activities/events, please outline your group's goals for the upcoming year.
- Is your group seeking funding as part of your ASCO registration? Please enter 'YES' or 'NO'
- Provide the name(s) and email address(es) of your faculty advisor(s).
- Is your faculty advisor an oncologist? If not, please indicate your faculty advisor's area of specialty. (i.e. internal medicine, pediatrics, pathology, etc.)
- During the upcoming academic year (September 2021 - June 2022), what is your expected Leadership transition date?
- Does your institution have an oncology subspecialty training program?

**III. REQUIRED: Upload Roster**

*Please upload a Word, Excel, or PDF document listing the following information:*

Leaders/Officers: Please include the following information for all group leaders/officers

- Name
- Email
- Role/Position (include term period)
- Year of Medical School/Training
- ASCO Member ID

Members: Please include the following information for all members, if available to share

- Name
- Email
- Year of Medical School/Training

**IV. REQUIRED: Upload Faculty Advisor Letter of Support**

*The purpose of this letter is to confirm that your faculty advisor will support your interest group in the upcoming term.*

**V. OPTIONAL: Upload Budget (If you do not submit a budget, you cannot receive funding)**

*Please use budget template included in application. Groups seeking the supplemental funding component of the OSIG program must upload a budget. Budget should outline the anticipated costs for your group's planned activities and events for the upcoming academic year.*

## **Selection Process**

The composition of the overall application pool will be considered and groups who have not previously received ASCO support will receive special consideration for the supplemental funding.

Only one application will be considered per institution. Groups with members across multiple locations or institutions will be considered as one single interest group.



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## Acceptance Notification

Applicants can expect to be notified by end of September 2021 to the primary email address provided in the application.

For questions about the OSIG program or the application process, please email [professionaldevelopment@asco.org](mailto:professionaldevelopment@asco.org)

## ASCO Membership Information

Review the full details on [ASCO Student/Non-Oncology Resident Membership Benefits here](#). Membership is free for all students, residents, and trainees.

Follow the steps below to complete a membership application. As a reminder, OSIG Leaders are REQUIRED to become ASCO members, so please complete an application as soon as possible.

### Step 1: Create an ASCO Guest Account

- Visit [join.asco.org](http://join.asco.org).
- Select “Sign In” in the top right to advance screens.
- Select “Create Account” to create your ASCO guest account.
  - Creating the guest account is a necessary step in order to access the membership application.
- Please remember your newly created username and password.
  - You will use these to login to complete your membership application in the step below.

### Step 2: Complete a Membership Application

- Visit [join.asco.org](http://join.asco.org) again.
- Select “Sign In” in the top right to advance screens.
- Log-in with your new ASCO username and password.
  - If you forgot your username or password, click “Need Help?”
- Click “Start Application”
- Fill out the application in its entirety and click “Submit.”

### Questions about your ASCO guest account or the ASCO membership application?

Please email [customerservice@asco.org](mailto:customerservice@asco.org) or call (703) 299-0158 or (888) 282-2552.