



## QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The Society for Sex Therapy and Research offers membership in three categories:

- **Full Membership**
- **Associate Membership**
- **Student Membership**

**Full Membership** is granted to:

- a) Licensed clinicians (e.g. psychologists, physicians, social workers, nurses, marriage/family therapists) with at least three years of clinical experience diagnosing and providing treatment for sexual problems. (Note: In application for full clinical membership please include in current vitae documentation of relevant clinical supervision and or CE training that has been acquired over those three years.)

Or

- b) Researchers with academic or related appointments who have published at least one article in a refereed journal concerning sex therapy or research. Other forms of publication, such as books, computer programs, web sites, or videos will also be considered.

**Associate Membership** is granted to:

- a) Licensed clinicians (e.g. psychologists, physicians, social workers, nurses, marriage/family therapists) who have significant experience in the assessment and treatment of sexual disorders, but have not had the three years of clinical experience required for full membership

Or

- b) Researchers with academic or related appointments who are interested in or currently carrying out sex research, but have not yet published.

Associate members who wish to become full members shall present documentation of meeting the requirements for full membership as stated above.

**Student Membership** is granted to post-baccalaureate graduate or professional students, residents or interns in any accredited academic or clinical training program who are receiving training in sexual disorders and/or sex research.

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The Membership Officer will review all applications and documentation for membership. Admission to membership will be voted on by the SSTAR Executive Council.

Applications for **full or associate membership** should include an electronic completed application form, a current vitae, a copy of a current professional license (for clinicians) and either, one letter of support from a current SSTAR member, or two letters from non-SSTAR professionals who are familiar with the applicant and who have had training and experience in work with sexual disorders.

Applications for **student membership** should include an electronic completed application form, current vitae, a letter of recommendation from a training director attesting that the individual is a student in good standing and one from the student's advisor or supervisor who is familiar with the applicant and who has had training and experience in work with sexual disorders.

New applications are considered throughout the year. Upon acceptance, membership fees are billed as the following: Student Member – (US) \$30, Full and Associate Members - (US) \$140.