

Rationale for Proposed Accreditation Fees Increase

The Council on Academic Accreditation's (CAA) accreditation activities are funded by application, site visit, and annual fees assessed to academic programs and by a subsidy from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). In accordance with its policies and procedures, the CAA routinely completes a comprehensive review of the accreditation fee structure and budget planning over a 3-year period to assess the adequacy of its funding.

At its July 2021 meeting, the CAA assessed revenue over expenses for the past several years, as well as projected financial forecast models through 2024. Based on this review, the CAA determined that the current accreditation fees will not keep pace with the costs of operating the accreditation program. **Therefore, the CAA is recommending a 10% increase in annual fees and site visit fees effective January 1, 2023.**

As part of its process, the CAA is seeking comments about the proposed increases, which will be reviewed by the CAA at its February 2022 meeting. Comments about the proposed increase in fees may be provided [online](#) through **Thursday, September 30, 2021.**

For more information about the CAA's budget planning and fee review process, please refer to Chapter IX - Financial Support of Accreditation in the [Accreditation Handbook](#).

Current and Proposed Fee Schedule

Category	Date of Last Increase	Current Fee	Proposed Fee (10% increase)
Application Fees:			
Candidacy	2015	\$8,000	n/a
Initial Accreditation	2016	\$6,000	n/a
Site Visit Fees:			
Candidacy	2020	\$4,620	\$5,082
Initial Accreditation: Single Program	2020	\$4,620	\$5,082
Initial Accreditation: Dual Program	2020	\$6,160	\$6,776
Annual Fees:			
Annual - Single 8-year cycle	2020	\$2,101	\$2,311
Annual - Single 8-year cycle w/1 modality	2020	\$2,541	\$2,795
Annual - Single 5-year cycle	2020	\$2,431	\$2,674
Annual - Single 5-year cycle w/1 modality	2020	\$2,871	\$3,158
Annual - Dual - 8-year cycle	2020	\$3,152	\$3,467
Annual - Dual - 8-year cycle w/1 modality	2020	\$3,592	\$3,951
Annual - Dual - 8-year cycle w/2 modalities	2020	\$4,032	\$4,435
Annual - Candidacy	2020	\$2,431	\$2,674
Annual - Candidacy w/1 modality	2020	\$2,871	\$3,158
Notice of Intent Fee	2022	\$2,000	n/a