

TAIR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

April 2007 to March 2008

Persons interested in joining the Texas Association for Institutional Research should print this application and mail the completed form along with a check made payable to TAIR for \$20.00 (an individual membership fee) to TAIR Treasurer:

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Reminder: Those who paid registration to the TAIR conference in South Padre are members of TAIR for 2007-2008.

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Membership Information

Membership years run from April through March. Membership benefits include the TAIR Listserv, the Association's newsletter, and other publications such as the *Online Membership Directory*.

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The official information on TAIR membership and voting is listed in article III of the TAIR Constitution:

Article III. Membership and Voting.

Section 1. Membership in the Association and election to any office or appointment to any committee shall not be based on race, ethnic origin, sex, age, sexual orientation, or religious conviction.

Section 2. There shall be the following categories of membership: regular membership, graduate student membership, and emeritus membership.

Section 3. To be eligible for regular membership, a person must (a) be actively engaged in research leading to improved understanding, planning, and operation of institutions of post-secondary education, or (b) be interested in the methodology and results of institutional research, planning, evaluation, policy analysis, or institutional effectiveness related to higher education in Texas.

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Section 4. To be eligible for graduate student membership, a person must provide documentation to the Secretary that s/he is actively pursuing a graduate degree at a regionally accredited institution of higher education, must not be employed fulltime, and must be (a) actively engaged in research leading to the improved understanding, planning, and operation of institutions of postsecondary education; or (b) interested in the methodology and results of institutional research, planning, evaluation, policy analysis, or institutional effectiveness related to higher education in Texas.

Section 5. To be eligible for emeritus membership, a person must (a) be retired and (b) have been an active regular member of the Association for a minimum of five years. To receive emeritus membership, a person who meets the two criteria must make it known to the Secretary, at least 30 days prior to an annual conference, that s/he has retired or will retire prior to the annual conference and wishes to be considered for emeritus membership. The Secretary shall ensure that applicants for emeritus membership meet all requirements. Prior to the annual business meeting, the Secretary shall present the names of all qualified applicants for emeritus membership to the Executive Committee for formal approval. Approval of emeritus membership entitles the emeritus member to have TAIR membership fees waived.

Section 6. Only regular members shall be eligible to vote on Association business and hold elective offices in the Association.

Section 7. Voting shall take place at or before the annual conference by means of a secure ballot. It shall be the responsibility of the Executive Committee to ensure the integrity of whatever voting processes are used.

Section 8. The right of a member to vote and all of his or her other rights and interests in the Association shall cease on the termination of his or her membership.

Section 9. To retain membership, a member must pay the registration fee for the annual conference or pay the annual membership fee. In special cases specifically designated by the Executive Committee, and for emeritus members, the annual membership fee shall be waived.

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