



Education and Research Committee (ERC)

Volunteer Role Description

Committee Description

The Education and Research Committee (ERC) is comprised of members of all specialties. This committee is dedicated to advance the strategic objective of supporting all current and future members in their ability to contribute to building the body of knowledge that advances the health and wellbeing of animals, people and the environment.

Committee Member Responsibilities

For the ACVIM Forum, ERC members develop session content/programming for the Education and Research track, Research Exchanges, and other related content. They provide oversight and guidance of the research abstract program, participate in the review and judging of research abstract presentations, and moderate Education and Research sessions, as needed. The ERC supports new and ongoing ACVIM programming pertaining to research and scholarly activity. Finally, the ERC also provides oversight to the ACVIM Endorsed Statements program. All committee members are expected to participate in committee meetings.

Time Commitment, Term Length and Term Dates

Time Commitment: 20-30 hours annually

Term Length: 3 years*

**If a committee member moves into a leadership position within the subcommittee (Assistant Chair – Chair – Past Chair) additional time may be added to their commitment to fulfill this role.*

Term Dates: January 1 – December 31

Committee Meeting Schedule

Business throughout the year is conducted via monthly video conference or email communication. For ERC members attending the ACVIM Forum, ACVIM staff will coordinate a committee meeting for updates and networking.

Recommended Prior Experience

Experience in scholarly research and an interest in supporting research training and mentorship opportunities.

Benefits

These positions provide a unique opportunity to have influence on and experience with BOR activities and initiatives in research training program development. Other benefits include leadership skill development, opportunity to utilize creativity in developing and promoting research training resources, networking and more.