



The Ecological Society of America

Application for New Certification or Upgrade

Please Return Applications to:
The Ecological Society of America
Board of Professional Certification
1707 H St, NW Suite 400
Washington, DC 20006

Primary Application Deadline: February 1
After this date please include a late fee of \$25 in Application Fee (Section 10)

Secondary Application Deadline: March 31
*All balances due on this date.
No applications accepted after this date.*

Submit 9 copies (Including original)

1. Personal Information

Member Verification: Membership ID#: _____ **(Required to qualify for member rate)**
Membership ID's can be located on mailing labels of any ESA Journal. If you are applying for new membership, please indicate this in the space provided by simply stating "new member" and attach a copy of your membership payment.

Address: *Please provide the address which you would like correspondence sent.*

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Prov.: _____ Zip: _____

Country: _____ E-mail: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____

2. Level of Certification

I wish to apply for certification at the level indicated:

Please be sure that you have carefully reviewed the requirements for the level you wish to apply!

Senior Ecologist Ecologist Associate Ecologist

Upgrade? Yes/No

If yes, from which level are you upgrading? _____

3. Code of Ethics

I certify that all material in this application is true and I have read and subscribe to the Code of Ethics of the Ecological Society of America.

Signature: _____

4. Cover Letter

Please include a cover letter indicating the reasons you are seeking certification as an Ecologist and why you believe it should be granted.

5. Educational Preparation

	Degree	Month/Year	Major	University
Bachelor's Degree	_____	_____	_____	_____
Master's Degree	_____	_____	_____	_____
Thesis Title	_____			
Doctoral Degree	_____	_____	_____	_____
Dissertation Title	_____			
Other Degrees	_____	_____	_____	_____

6. Formal College Courses

List your formal college courses in each of the indicated areas.

If the course is not explicitly an ecology course, please describe the ecological content and proportion of the course devoted to ecology.

Identify the courses as follows:

G for General Ecology

P for Population

C for Community Ecology

E for Ecosystem Ecology

L for Landscape Ecology

U = Undergraduate Credit

Formal College Courses (Continued)

G = Graduate Credit

Give credits as semester equivalents

1 semester hour = 1.5 quarter hours, 1 quarter hour = .67 semester hours

A. Ecological Sciences [minimum of nine semester credits]

Course Number and Title	Area	Institution	U/G	Credits

B. Biological Sciences [minimum of 21 semester hour credits beyond the nine credits listed above]

Course Number and Title	Area	Institution	U/G	Credits

C. Chemistry, Physical Sciences, Mathematics [minimum of 12 semester credits]

Course Number and Title	Area	Institution	U/G	Credits

D. Related Environmental Sciences (optional)

Course Number and Title	Area	Institution	U/G	Credits

7. Experience

A. Please describe your relevant employment experience (emphasizing last 5 years) Give employer, type of employment, and whether the employment was full or part time Be sure to show how experience and employment relate to the criteria of the level at which you have chosen to be certified. Supply documentation or representative examples of your activities in the form of reprints, reports, and explanatory letters from clients, principal investigators, supervisors, etc. Use a separate sheet if necessary. Note: Time spent in graduate school beyond the degree being used for the level of certification sought counts as half-time experience. Length of experience will be evaluated only up to the application deadline (February 1).

Employer	Job Description	Period of Employment	Percent of Time	Equivalent Years of Professional Experience

B. Please provide a list of publications and/or reports. Note that the documentation is to be representative; it need not be exhaustive In the case of project reports of which you were an author, it is required that you include the complete citation, dates of the study and your role in the project. If any supplemental material is attached, please provide a list of the attachments and **only one copy** (not 8).

8. References

Please supply in the space below the names, address and phone number of three individuals familiar with your work, two who will forward a letter of recommendation on your behalf (not more than one letter from your own organization). Please ask that the letter be on formal letterhead. One must be a member of the Ecological Society of America and should be indicated as such. These individuals will be only contacted to verify or clarify portions of your application:

1.

2.

3.

Recommendations should be mailed directly to:
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9. Curriculum vitae

Please include an up-to-date curriculum vitae which should include as a minimum: address, education, experience and a list of publications. **Please be sure to date all activities including publications.**

10. Application Fee

Payment may be made by check, money order or credit card. Make checks payable in US dollars to the **Ecological Society of America**. Foreign remitters may use drafts on US banks or a US postal money order.

\$75 for Associate Ecologists - ESA Members

\$150 for Associate Ecologists - Non ESA Members

\$125 for Ecologist and Senior Ecologist - ESA Members

\$250 for Ecologist and Senior Ecologist - Non ESA Members

\$25 Late Fee (Add to Application Fee if application is post-dated after February 1)

_____ Total

Check # _____ Credit Card

Visa/MasterCard: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Summary of Requirements

_____ Membership Verification (item #1)

_____ Signed Code of Ethics (item #3)

_____ Cover letter (item #4)

_____ Listed three references (item #8)

_____ Requested two letters of recommendation sent directly to ESA (item #8)

_____ Current curriculum vitae (item #9)

_____ Original plus eight copies of application completed in full

_____ Enclosed payment for application fee