



Fellow of IACLE (FIACLE)

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

1. DO I AUTOMATICALLY BECOME A FIACLE WHEN I PASS THE FELLOWSHIP EXAM?

No. IACLE members who are taking the Fellowship Exam do not automatically become FIACLEs. They become 'eligible' to apply for FIACLE status if they achieve the pass % score.

2. WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A FELLOW OF IACLE (FIACLE)?

The Executive Board may admit to become a Fellow of the International Association of Contact Lens Educators (IACLE) any Educator Member or Associate Member of at least one year in standing who:

- (1) continues to qualify as a member
- (2) is a financial member
- (3) has passed the IACLE Fellowship Examination
- (4) conforms in all respects to the Code of Conduct of IACLE
- (5) promotes IACLE educational goals and objectives
- (6) continues to make a contribution to contact lens education
- (7) participates in programs that advance contact lens education
- (8) is a person of good standing.

3. HOW DO I APPLY TO BECOME A FIACLE?

In order to become a Fellow of IACLE a member must submit an application form to their country/regional IACLE office. Please note that FIACLE status is valid for a period of three years after which renewal procedures are required to be completed.

4. WILL SOMEONE REMIND ME WHEN I BECOME ELIGIBLE?

We keep track of potential eligible FIACLEs and contact them direct as well as reminders in our member newsletter. Applying for FIACLE is something eligible members need to pursue and therefore keep track of. Please submit your application to become a FIACLE once you have been a member for at least one year.

5. WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES TO BECOMING A FIACLE?

There are many advantages to becoming a Fellow of IACLE. To have achieved this global recognition speaks for itself, in addition, there are new opportunities this level of status provides. FIACLEs are commonly invited speakers at educational meetings, providing

practitioner and student education in their professional communities. IACLE industry sponsors frequently work closely with the FIACLEs in their regions to better develop contact lens academic infrastructure. FIACLEs are seen as leaders in the global contact lens educational community.

6. WHAT ARE THE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS TO STAY CURRENT AS A FIACLE?

FIACLEs must renew their status every three years. There are several ways a FIACLE can meet the renewal criteria through involvement in lectures, publications, community service or a special project. The FIACLE is asked to participate in a minimum of one activity each year and report these activities every three years.

7. HOW DO I FIND MORE INFORMATION ON BECOMING A FIACLE?

Contact your country/regional office or the IACLE Secretariat on email: iacle@iacle.org.