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**JOINT BOARD FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF ACTUARIES****Meeting of the Advisory Committee; Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries.

**ACTION:** Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries gives notice of a closed teleconference meeting of the Advisory Committee on Actuarial Examinations.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on October 23, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elizabeth Van Osten, Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Committee on Actuarial Examinations, 202-317-3648, [elizabeth.j.vanosten@irs.gov](mailto:elizabeth.j.vanosten@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the Advisory

Committee on Actuarial Examinations will hold a teleconference meeting on October 23, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time). The meeting will be closed to the public.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss topics and questions that may be recommended for inclusion on future Joint Board examinations in actuarial mathematics, pension law and methodology referred to in 29 U.S.C. 1242(a)(1)(B).

A determination has been made as required by section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. 1009(d), that the subject of the meeting falls within the exception to the open meeting requirement set forth in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B), and that the public interest requires that such meeting be closed to public participation.

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**JOINT BOARD FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF ACTUARIES****Invitation for Membership on Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries.

**ACTION:** Request for Applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries (Joint Board), established under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), is responsible for the enrollment of individuals who wish to perform actuarial services under ERISA. To assist in its examination duties mandated by ERISA, the Joint Board has established the Advisory Committee on Actuarial Examinations (Advisory Committee) in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The current Advisory Committee members' terms expire on February 28, 2027. This notice describes the Advisory Committee and invites applications from those interested in serving on the Advisory Committee for the March 1, 2027–February 28, 2029, term.

**DATES:** Applications for membership on the Advisory Committee must be received by no later than December 4, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Send applications electronically with APPLICATION FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE inserted in subject line to [NHQJBEA@irs.gov](mailto:NHQJBEA@irs.gov). See

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for application requirements.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Elizabeth Van Osten, Designated Federal Officer, 202-317-3648, [elizabeth.j.vanosten@irs.gov](mailto:elizabeth.j.vanosten@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****1. Background**

To qualify for enrollment to perform actuarial services under ERISA, an applicant must satisfy certain experience and knowledge requirements, which are set forth in the Joint Board's regulations. An applicant may satisfy the knowledge requirement by successful completion of Joint Board examinations in basic actuarial mathematics and methodology and in actuarial mathematics and methodology relating to pension plans qualifying under ERISA.

The Joint Board, the Society of Actuaries, and the American Society of Pension Professionals & Actuaries jointly offer examinations acceptable to the Joint Board for enrollment purposes and acceptable to the other two actuarial organizations as part of their respective examination programs.

**2. Scope of Advisory Committee Duties**

The Advisory Committee plays an integral role in the examination program by assisting the Joint Board in offering examinations that enable examination candidates to demonstrate the knowledge necessary to qualify for enrollment. The Advisory Committee's duties, which are strictly advisory, include (1) recommending topics for inclusion on the Joint Board examinations, (2) developing and reviewing examination questions, (3) recommending proposed examinations, (4) reviewing examination results and recommending passing scores, and (5) providing other recommendations and advice relative to the examinations, as requested by the Joint Board.

**3. Member Terms and Responsibilities**

Members are appointed for a two-year term. The upcoming term will begin on March 1, 2027, and end on February 28, 2029. Members may seek reappointment for additional consecutive terms.

Members are expected to attend approximately four meetings each calendar year and are reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with applicable government regulations. Meetings may be held in-person or by teleconference. In general, members are expected to devote 125 to 175 hours, including meeting time, to the work of the Advisory Committee over the course of a year.

#### 4. Member Selection

The Joint Board seeks to appoint an Advisory Committee that is fairly balanced in terms of points of view represented and functions to be performed. Every effort is made to ensure that most points of view extant in the enrolled actuary profession are represented on the Advisory Committee. To that end, the Joint Board seeks to appoint members from each of the main practice areas of the enrolled actuary profession, including small employer plans, large employer plans, and multiemployer plans. In addition, to attain a balanced membership, the Joint Board limits the number of members affiliated with any one actuarial organization or employed with any one firm.

Membership normally will be limited to actuaries currently enrolled by the Joint Board. However, individuals who have academic or other special qualifications of particular value for the Advisory Committee's work also will be considered for membership. Federally registered lobbyists and individuals affiliated with Joint Board enrollment examination preparation courses are not eligible to serve on the Advisory Committee.

#### 5. Member Designation

Advisory Committee members are appointed as Special Government Employees (SGEs). As such, members are subject to certain ethical standards applicable to SGEs. Upon appointment, each member will be required to provide written confirmation that he/she does not have a financial interest in a Joint Board examination preparation course. In addition, each member will be required to attend annual ethics training.

#### 6. Application Requirements

To receive consideration, an individual interested in serving on the Advisory Committee must submit (1) a signed, cover letter expressing interest in serving on the Advisory Committee and describing his/her professional qualifications, and (2) a resume and/or curriculum vitae. Applications must be submitted electronically to [NHQJBEA@irs.gov](mailto:NHQJBEA@irs.gov). The transmittal email should include APPLICATION FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE in the subject line. Applications must be received by December 4, 2026.

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#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

##### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.  
**ACTION:** Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request: National Science Foundation Research Traineeship (NRT) Monitoring System.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) has submitted the following request for revision of the approved collection of research and development data in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the **Federal Register** and one comment was received. NSF is forwarding the proposed renewal submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 401 Dulany Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; or send email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

**Comments:** Comments regarding (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the NSF, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the NSF's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, use, and clarity of the information on respondents; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to the points of contact in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Copies of the submission may be obtained by calling 703-292-7556. NSF may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number, and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

##### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Comments:** As required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), comments on the information collection were solicited through publication of a 60-Day Notice in the **Federal Register** on January 30, 2026, at 91 FR 4113, and one comment was received. Because it was in support of the information collection, we are moving forward with the request to OMB.

**Title of Collection:** National Science Foundation Research Traineeship (NRT) Monitoring System.

**OMB Number:** 3145-0263.

**Type of Request:** Intent to seek approval to renew an information collection.

**Proposed Project:** The National Science Foundation's Directorate for STEM Education (EDU) administers the NSF Research Traineeship (NRT) program. The NRT program is designed to encourage the development and implementation of bold, new, and potentially transformative models for STEM graduate education training. The NRT program seeks to ensure that graduate students in research-based master's and doctoral degree programs develop the skills, knowledge, and competencies needed to pursue a range of STEM careers. NRT is dedicated to effective training of STEM graduate students in high-priority interdisciplinary or convergent research areas through the use of a comprehensive traineeship model that is innovative, evidence-based, and aligned with changing workforce and research needs.

Previously, NRT awardees provided NSF with information on their activities through periodic research performance progress reports. The NRT monitoring system (also referred to as the NRT reporting system) has replaced these reports with a tailored program monitoring system that uses internet-based information and communication technologies to collect, review, and validate specific data on NRT awards. EDU is committed to ensuring the efficiency and effectiveness with which respondents provide and NSF staff can access and analyze data on funded projects within the NRT programs.