

College of Fellows Self-Assessment Tool

To help you be successful in applying to the College of Fellows, the College has prepared the check list below. The contents of the list, taken as a whole, demonstrate the experience and attributes of a successful applicant to the College. The more check marks you can make, the closer you are to readiness to proceed with the process.

CAN I BE SUCCESSFUL?

Do I have a minimum of 20 years* of public relations experience?
Have I been an active member of CPRS for at least 10 years*?
Do I have the ability to communicate well both orally and in writing in one of Canada's two official languages?
Can I write my submission clearly and concisely in plain language and without grammar, spelling and punctuation mistakes?
Do I have extensive volunteer experience within CPRS and have I served in leadership roles in the Society?
Can I demonstrate a pattern of greater responsibilities as my career has progressed? Have I taken on more senior roles for employers/clients? HaveI undertaken progressively more significant work in the public relations profession?
Have I hired and supervised staff who are working in public relations?
Have I invested in professional development throughout my career?
Do I consider myself a role model for fellow practitioners? Do I believe my ethics, values and behaviour are consistent and unassailable?
Have I helped to advance the profession by writing abstracts and articles? Have I delivered lectures and speeches, and led workshops?
Does my work consistently demonstrate strategic capabilities? Does my work show high ethical standards for employers/clients? Does my workmeet or exceed industry standards?
Can I identify five (5) referees** who have knowledge of the work I would cite in my application? Can they speak to both that work and my suitability for membership in the College?

^{*}As of January 1, in the year you are applying to the College.

If you would like to discuss your readiness or have other questions about the application process, please call the CPRS national office at (416) 239-7034 ext. 9 to talk to Sara Rafuse.

^{**} Please see Letters of Reference for further details.