

**American Meteorological Society (AMS)
Scientific and Technological Activities Commission (STAC)
April 2022 STAC Newsletter**

Society Awards and Fellow Nominations

The 1 May deadline for submitting Society Awards and AMS Fellow Nominations is fast approaching. Each STAC B/C should encourage colleagues to nominate deserving individuals or groups for these awards and recognition. Also, B/Cs might consider nominating a worthy individual as an AMS Fellow. Further information on AMS awards can be found at

<https://www.ametsoc.org/ams/index.cfm/about-ams/ams-awards-honors/> Note that the Society's lectureships are intended to recognize *outstanding mid-career scientists*. Mid-career is nominally taken to include scientists who are within 10 to 20 years beyond earning their highest graduate degree or within 15 to 25 years beyond earning their baccalaureate. Consideration will also be given, however, to those who are still in the middle stage of their careers but have seen these interrupted for up to 5–10 years by military service, or family and career circumstances.

Website Editing Updates

AMS has finally released a new website editing system and style for commission pages. It will allow for easier inline editing, direct uploading of PDFs, linking of social media handles, and common banner images per commission. The new style will switch over sometime by May - all content and images will transfer, though a review is recommended as some formatting may not line up the same. All chairs will automatically be web editors in addition to identified web editors. A training for all chairs and web editors will be held later this spring.

May Chairs Call

We will be holding our next STAC board and committee chairs zoom call on May 12 at 3 pm Central daylight time (UTC-5) / 4 pm Eastern / 2 pm Mountain / 1 pm Pacific. We will talk about the new website style and editing, and hear about best practices and experiences from a few of you. If you'd like to share your experiences, let us know! The call will be recorded. Links will be shared on AMS community.

STAC Membership

B/C Chairs and Vice-Chairs should review their updated 2022 membership rosters on their web pages at <http://www.ametsoc.org/stac> and report any corrections to your STAC Commissioner point of contact. Having student members is an AMS requirement and the commissioners will be glad to help in finding a prospective student member. Submit a CV and nomination form for your student members to your Commissioner. You can find the STAC board/committee nomination form at <https://www.ametsoc.org/stac/index.cfm/chair-memberinformation/membership/>

2023 Annual Meeting Theme

Planning is underway for the 103rd Annual Meeting. The overall theme of the Meeting is [“Data: Driving Science. Informing Decisions. Enriching Humanity”](#). This theme uses data as the locus for interlinking heterogeneous disciplines across the WWC enterprise along braids of commonality to propel new science, expand and empower the stakeholder ecosystem across all sectors, and ameliorate bias and socioeconomic inequity, through the suffusion of both theory and data centric approaches.

As in past years, this Annual Meeting will include a series of Town Hall Meetings. Town Halls provide a valuable opportunity for extended interactive two-way dialogue among the Weather, Water, and Climate Enterprise and other interested groups for the benefit of the AMS community. These engagements can include a wide range of topic areas and formats that do not typically fit into the traditional AMS Annual Meeting program. The deadline to submit a Town Hall Meeting proposal is 22 June 2022.

AMS Career Center

AMS continues to expand its career development resources and activities. Visit the [AMS Career Resources website](#) for career guides and tools, job announcements, professional development opportunities, mentoring, and more!

AMS Podcast Series

AMS offers two podcast series:

[AMS on the Air](#)

Bringing you cool stories, news, and research in the weather, water, & climate community, focusing on conversations with the people who make it all happen.

[Clear Skies Ahead](#)

Learn about careers in meteorology and beyond. Join AMS as we talk to experts working in the weather, water, and climate sciences.

Commissioner: [Ankur Desai](#)

Past Commissioner: [Genene Fisher](#)

Incoming Commissioner: [Kristie Franz](#)