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The American Society for Public Administration is the largest and most prominent professional association for public administration. It is dedicated to advancing the art, science, teaching and practice of public and non-profit administration. ASPA's four core values are Accountability and Performance, Professionalism, Ethics and Social Equity.

Professionalism is promoted through Chapters and Sections through which members have an opportunity to advance their careers by becoming involved in their local public administration community. Additionally, members gain exposure to major public service issues by joining ASPA's 21 Sections. These Sections focus on finance, budgeting, human resources, health and human services, ethics and more. Sections provide additional networking opportunities through conferences and other professional development activities. They also have a variety of award and scholarship opportunities.

ASPA's Center for Accountability and Performance (CAP) addresses the requirement for all levels of government to move toward performance-based, results-driven management, through education, training, advocacy, technical assistance, resource sharing and research.

Additionally, ASPA provides three publications for its members. The *PA TIMES* is a quarterly newspaper that focuses on issues in public management and the best practices in the field of public administration. There is a weekly online edition that can be viewed at www.patimes.org and a print edition that is published five times per year. *The Bridge* is ASPA's biweekly newsletter that details the organization's latest news as well as current news in the public service field. The *Public Administration Review* (PAR) is ASPA's premier publication. It is a bimonthly scholarly journal that links theory and public management practice together.

ASPA promotes ethics and integrity in public service and governance worldwide. ASPA's [Code of Ethics](#) implores members to adhere to certain principles while working in the field of public service. Also, through membership in ASPA's Section on Ethics, members can access a variety of resources including the leading ethics journal in the field, *Public Integrity*, and *Ethics Today*, an award-winning electronic newsletter.

ASPA promotes dialogue on social equity issues in all areas of public service such as public budgeting, government hiring practices, diversity in academia and others. Additionally, each year at the Annual Conference, ASPA hosts the Gloria Hobson Nordin Social Equity Award Luncheon where it honors a public administrator who has distinguished him or herself in achieving fairness, justice and equity in government.

ASPA HISTORY

Since 1939, ASPA has been the nation's most respected society representing all forums in the public service arena. It is an advocate for greater effectiveness in government - agents of goodwill and professionalism - publishers of democratic

OUR MISSION

ASPA is the leading interdisciplinary public service organization that:

- Advances the art, science, teaching, and practice of public and non-profit administration.
- Promotes the value of joining and elevating the public service profession.
- Builds bridges among all who pursue public purposes at home and internationally.
- Provides networking and professional development opportunities to those committed to public service values.
- Achieves innovative solutions to the challenges of governance.

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The ASPA Endowment is the charitable foundation of ASPA. It supports innovative projects and scholarships that enhance and promote public administration. Individuals and organizations can donate to the ASPA endowment. Donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law.

The Endowment's goals are:

- To promote scholarly inquiry and discussion concerning public administration.
- To sponsor and stimulate research and publication on matters relating to public administration.
- To sponsor other activities designed to improve the art and science of public administration.

Endowment donations can be directed to specific funds or assigned to the general fund that is used to support a range of projects and programs. Below are the major areas of the Endowment's Funds. To donate to an Endowment Fund, please contact ASPA at 202-585-4308.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

These funds support the development of future leaders

journalism at its very best - purveyors of progressive theory and practice and providers of global citizenship. ASPA leaders believe that by embracing new ideas, addressing key public service issues and promoting change at both the local and international levels, the association can enhance the quality of lives worldwide.



ASPA is the largest and most prominent broadly-based professional association in American public administration. It has a diverse membership of approximately 8,000 practitioners, teachers and students. ASPA serves the principal arena for linking theory and practice within the field of public administration.

Throughout ASPA's history, three principal values have dominated its development. First, the organization has sought to enhance the art and science of public administration by supporting the improvement of both theory and practice within the field. Second, ASPA works to advance professionalism in public service at all levels of government. Third, the Society has maintained a commitment to strengthen and sustain a sense of community among the diverse array of public administration practitioners and academicians who compose its membership.

In 2014, ASPA celebrates its 75th anniversary as the premiere organization representing public administration professionals and scholars.

and public administrators by offering scholarship and financial support to promising young students and professionals.

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