

SWPA Membership

Anyone wishing to join SWPA must first be a member of ASPA. To join ASPA, please visit their web site at www.aspanet.org or call them at 202-393-7878.

Current ASPA members can join SWPA by contacting Pat Yearwood at pyearwood@aspanet.org, adding SWPA to their next ASPA membership renewal, or by mailing the form below along with payment to:

ASPA Membership Department
ATTN: Pat Yearwood
1301 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 840
Washington, DC 20004

Please check the category that applies to you:

- I am an ASPA Member and want to join SWPA. I have either enclosed my \$17.00 membership fee as a check or have completed the credit card information below.
- I am not a member of ASPA and would like to receive information and an application for membership.

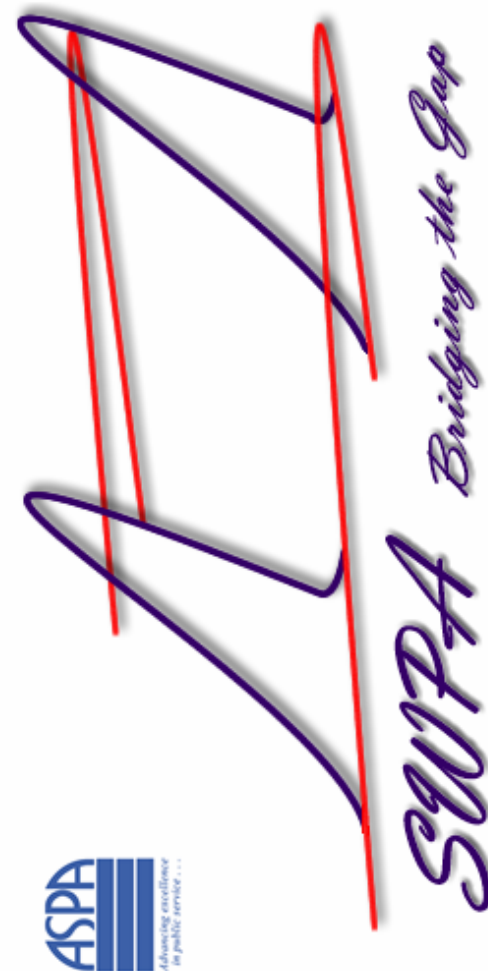
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There are many benefits to becoming a SWPA member!

- Inclusive organization of **academics and practitioners** at all levels of public service
- Special focus on student involvement including **student scholarship** program
- Positions of **leadership**
- Peer and national **awards** program
- Opportunities for **publishing** book reviews, articles, and papers
- **Participation** in programs, conferences, and paper presentations
- Opportunities for professional **development**
- Career and academic **networking** and support
- **Advocacy** on current issues and a strong voice at the national level
- Special online **newsletter** (*Bridging the Gap*)
- Information and **communication** through the new SWPA web site at www.swpanet.org
- **Interaction** with outstanding women professionals at the local and national level



THE SECTION FOR WOMEN IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

ENHANCING AND PROMOTING AWARENESS, EQUALITY, PARTICIPATION
AND RECOGNITION OF WOMEN IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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SWPArtnities!

SWPA invites you to join a unique organization of women and men who work together to support and recognize women at all levels of the public sector. SWPA is one of the largest and most active sections of the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA). SWPA provides opportunities for women in public administration including:

Leadership

Many leaders throughout the public sector (including eleven ASPA national presidents!) have roots in SWPA.

Visibility and Participation

Increasing numbers of SWPA members serve as key speakers and program participants each year at ASPA's National Conference.

Professional Development

SWPA uses its award-winning e-newsletter (*Bridging the Gap*) and its new web site (www.swpanet.org) to organize and publicize professional development initiatives. SWPA also offers and supports professional development activities at ASPA's National Conference.

Scholarship Program

SWPA awards annual scholarships to young and emerging professionals to attend the ASPA National Conference.

Networking

SWPA offers networking opportunities at various conferences and meetings. By serving on SWPA committees and communicating with others via the SWPA web site, members develop and grow valuable professional contacts throughout the year.

Awards Program and Breakfast

SWPA's Awards Breakfast is held annually at ASPA's National Conference. It honors four outstanding women contributors to the field of public administration and features nationally recognized speakers from a wide range of public service careers.

Research and Scholarship

SWPA offers research opportunities through its Women's Research Project. As a part of this project, SWPA and ASPA recently published their *Profiles of Outstanding Women in Public Administration* compiled from interviews conducted by SWPA members.

A Strong Voice

SWPA provides a forum to discuss issues such as non-discrimination policies, equal opportunity, and similar concerns of its members in other policy areas.

Collaborative Ventures

SWPA seeks to raise the visibility of Public Service and its women professionals by partnering with ASPA Sections and organizations with similar objectives.

What Our Members Are Saying:

"The time so many of you shared with me at the conference was very valuable to me. Thank you very much for the introductions, the advice on the academic path and publication, and the honor of hearing your stories. The conference energized me and made me want to try to do great things. Thank you again for introducing me to SWPA and for letting me share time with you."

- *SWPA Scholarship Recipient now serving on SWPA Board*

"Being a SWPA member has enhanced my professional network, facilitated new friendships, and provided me with opportunities to learn from other people who care deeply about the issues relevant to all women. It is a wonderful and valuable experience!"

- *Professor of Public Administration and Director of MPA Program at a major university*

"Why did it take me so long to join SWPA? SWPA has added so many benefits to the ASPA experience. As a practitioner, I now have increased access to women experts and leaders in the field who willingly share their knowledge and experience. Plus, I have a greatly expanded network of women throughout the profession and country. Thank you SWPA!"

- *Practitioner in National Non-Profit Organization*

"Being selected as a SWPA award winner was a tremendous honor, and I will never forget receiving this recognition from such a talented and accomplished group of women."

- *2006 Recipient of the Joan Fiss Bishop Award*

