



# AAES 2025-2026 Visiting Professor Program

The American Association of Endocrine Surgeons is pleased to announce the 2025-2026 Visiting Professorship Program. **We have made significant changes this year, please see below for details.** This program is designed to increase the national visibility of rising stars in endocrine surgery by offering the opportunity to be an invited speaker at one of the country's premier institutions. The Visiting Professorships are open to Active members of the AAES who are faculty members at the Assistant or Associate Professor level. **There will be two categories of applicants: Early-career (first 4-7 years of practice) and Mid-career (first 8-15 years of practice).** **We ENCOURAGE re-applications if you were not selected in the past.**

For the 2025-2026 academic year, four individuals will be selected to present at one of the following host institutions. The host institutions will reimburse the awardee's cost of travel and accommodations.

1. Cleveland Clinic
2. NYU Langone Medical Center
3. University of North Carolina
4. University of Rochester

**Application materials are due by 11:59 PM EST, January 10, 2025.** Visit the [AAES website](#) for more details about these awards. Each application will be reviewed and scored by members of the Career Development and Leadership Committee. Questions should be directed to the Chair of the Career Development and Leadership Committee, Dr. Sonia Sugg ([sonia-sugg@uiowa.edu](mailto:sonia-sugg@uiowa.edu)).

The Career Development and Leadership Committee will review all applications and make final determinations regarding the three 2025-2026 Visiting Professors. Applicants will be notified of a decision by **February 28, 2025**. Award recipients will be announced during the 2023 AAES Annual Meeting and in other AAES-sponsored publications.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

The application process requires that each of the following items be submitted as instructed.

1. Completed application form (see page 4) emailed to AAES Headquarters at [info@endocrinesurgery.org](mailto:info@endocrinesurgery.org).
2. Letter of interest addressing the potential impact of this program on your career (see submission link in application form)
3. Curriculum vitae (see submission link in application form)
4. Proposed Topic(s) – e.g. hot topics or reviews, research, education, etc. Please include three educational objectives for each topic.
5. 1-to-2-minute video recording of a sample slide from a presentation.
6. Ranking of Institutions, in order of preference.



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## AAES Visiting Professor Awards Requirements and Application

### A. Purpose

This program is designed to increase the national visibility of rising stars in academic surgery by giving them an opportunity to be an invited speaker at one of the country's premier institutions. The Career Development and Leadership committee (CLD) welcomes proposals for topics of a wide spectrum including surgical ethics, education, epidemiology, biostatistics, health care delivery, as well as clinical or basic science research pertaining to the field of endocrine surgery. The presentations may represent the applicant's own work or be a synthesis and review of a relevant topic in endocrine surgery.

### B. Qualifications and Requirements

Active AAES members at the Assistant or Associate Professor level who completed residency and fellowship training within 4-7 (Early-career) or 8-15 (mid-Career) academic years previous to the year of the application cycle are eligible to apply for the Visiting Professorship.

Awardees will arrange a visit with the host institution on a mutually acceptable date within the 2025-2026 academic year. Awardees will submit visit information to the AAES via email at [ewilliams@amrms.com](mailto:ewilliams@amrms.com):

- **Prior to the visit:**
  - The presentation title and date of visit as soon as known
- **After the visit:**
  - A one-page written report and copy of the visit itinerary within one month after the visit (you will receive a link to complete the final report after your scheduled visit).
  - Copy of the thank you letter written to the host institution.

### C. Selection Process

The members of the CDL Committee will select the Awardees. Qualified applicants will receive a score according to the rubric below. The score and committee member discussion will determine the final committee selections. The committee selections will be presented to the AAES President for approval. The Chair of the CDL will match awardees with a host institution. Applicant ranking of host institutions will be taken into consideration.

1. Letter of interest (5 point scale: 1 best, 5 worst)
  - a. Clear, concise, persuasive
  - b. Addressed potential impact on career advancement
    - i. Mid-career: gain increased national visibility, highlight talent within AAES, considerations for leadership roles outside of endocrine surgery
    - ii. Early-career: benefit from exposure and establishing collaborations to advance their research or area of focus. Award to help with promotion, secure grant funding, develop national reputation.
2. CV (5 point scale: 1 best, 5 worst)
  - a. Mid-career: established national reputation and track record of established research (funded or unfunded), clinical innovation or expertise, and educational programmatic development.
  - b. Early-career: local and regional name recognition, launching a funded research



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career in endocrine surgery (on a K award or has society level funding), or in clinical innovation, educational programmatic development.

- c. Other accomplishments
3. Topics (5 point scale: 1 best, 5 worst)
  - a. Interesting, innovative, appropriate
  - b. Description of 3 educational objectives for each topic
4. Speakers (5 point scale: 1 best, 5 worst)
  - a. Excellent slide sampler/video snippet
  - b. Expertise (publications and talks) on proposed topics
    - i. Early and Mid-career: expand host department's recognition of endocrine surgery as a specialty, represent the AAES as a rising star, provide content that can be adapted into clinical practice, research or educational efforts.



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## Application

### 1. Background:

Applicant Name:  
Applicant E-mail Address:  
Institution Name:  
Institution Address:

Year of first faculty appointment:

Category of application: Mid-career:  Early-career:

### 2. Letter of Interest:

[CLICK HERE](#) to upload a clear, concise, and persuasive letter telling us why you are interested in being an AAES Visiting Professor and if awarded, the potential impact on your career development. Please include your full name within the file name.

### 3. Curriculum Vitae:

[CLICK HERE](#) to upload a copy of your Curriculum vitae. *Please include your full name within the file name.*

### 4. Proposed Topic(s):

#### Topic 1:

Educational Objectives:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

#### Topic 2:

Educational Objectives:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### 5. One-to-2-minute video recording sample of a presentation:

[CLICK HERE](#) to upload your video sample. The purpose is to highlight your presentation (slides, speaker) skills. **A short video of one or two sample slides (that may or may not include concurrent video of the speaker) may be recorded using the application of your choice. For example, PowerPoint has a slide record function that can be accessed under the "Slide Show" tab. Zoom is also appropriate.**

### 6. Ranking of Institutions, in order of preference: Number according to preference.

- Cleveland Clinic  
 NYU Langone Medical Center  
 University of North Carolina  
 University of Rochester

I certify that I meet the qualifications and if selected, I agree to fulfill the requirements as stated above.

Applicant Name:

Date: