International Association of Marriage and Family Counselors (IAMFC)

Emerging Leaders Program Application (2026–2027)

DIRECTIONS

Please complete this application in full and submit it along with your curriculum vitae or resume and two letters of recommendation. Upon completion, submit all materials in one electronic file or folder to iamfcpresident@gmail.com. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

Application Deadline:	September 11, 2026
Notification Date:	September 21, 2026

SECTION A | APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name (First and Last):

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Are you an IAMFC member?

Yes No **IAMFC Member ID # (if yes):**

Are you a current IAMFC member? (Required at time of application)

Yes No **IAMFC Member ID #:**

IAMFC membership is required at the time of application. Applications from non-members will not be reviewed. Visit iamfconline.com to join.

SECTION B | PROGRAM CATEGORY

Please indicate the category you are applying for based on your status as of September 11, 2026:

- Master's Student: Currently enrolled in a master's degree program in counseling or a related field
- Doctoral Student: Currently enrolled in a doctoral degree program in counseling or a related field
- New Professional: Within five years of completing a graduate degree in counseling or a related field

SECTION C | EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Complete the section that corresponds to your program category above.

If applying as a Master's Student or Doctoral Student:

Degree Program:

University:

Area of Study:

Expected Graduation Date:

If applying as a New Professional:

Highest Degree Earned:

Year Completed:

University:

Current Position / Employer:

SECTION D | IAMFC AND PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

Please describe any involvement you have had with IAMFC or the broader counseling profession. Include committee service, volunteer roles, conference attendance, presentations, publications, or other relevant activities. If you have no prior IAMFC involvement, describe your engagement with the profession in other ways.

SECTION E | PERSONAL STATEMENT (750 words or less)

Please address all of the following in your personal statement:

- How the IAMFC mission aligns with your professional goals
- Your interest in couples and family counseling
- The areas within IAMFC where you would like mentorship and engagement
- What you hope to contribute to IAMFC and to the profession
- Any leadership experiences that have prepared you for this role
- Your vision for how IAMFC can continue to grow and support the profession

Maximum 750 words. You may attach your statement separately or type it in the space below.

SECTION F | PROGRAM COMMITMENT

By submitting this application, you agree to the following commitments if selected:

- Complete a minimum of 50 hours of service to IAMFC during the program year
- Participate actively in mentorship and leadership development activities
- Attend and engage in at least one IAMFC conference during the program year
- Serve in an observer or active role on an assigned IAMFC committee
- Represent IAMFC in a professional and collaborative manner at all times
- Submit a brief program completion report to the Emerging Leaders Committee Chair at the close of the program year

☐ **I have read and agree to the program commitments listed above.**

SECTION G | REQUIRED MATERIALS CHECKLIST

Please confirm all of the following materials are included in your submission:

☐ Completed IAMFC Emerging Leaders Application Form (this document)

☐ Personal Statement (attached or completed in Section E)

☐ Current curriculum vitae or resume

☐ Letter of Recommendation #1 - from a faculty member, supervisor, or senior clinician

☐ Letter of Recommendation #2 - from a professional in the counseling field

☐ Proof of current IAMFC membership

SECTION H | APPLICANT CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

By signing below, I certify that all information provided in this application is accurate and complete, that I meet the eligibility requirements of the IAMFC Emerging Leaders Program, that I am a current IAMFC member in good standing, and that I understand and will fulfill all program commitments if selected.

Applicant Signature:

Date:

Submit the completed application and all supporting materials to iamfcpresident@gmail.com upon completion. Additional information is available at iamfconline.com.