



Dear RACI Member, or prospective RACI member,

This document is to help prepare an application for Fellowship of the RACI. FRACI is the highest level of RACI membership and the award of Fellow is recognition by the RACI of a substantial contribution to the discipline of chemistry. The RACI encourages all members of the chemistry field, broadly defined, to apply for Fellowship when they believe they are worthy. This includes chemists from academia, government, industry and education.

The Membership Advisory Committee (MAC) assesses all applications for Fellowships and makes a recommendation to the Board of the RACI. The decision to award FRACI is made by the Board. Membership of the MAC and Board is published on the RACI website.

This document and the application form were designed to reflect the assessment criteria used by the MAC.

Assessment criterion 1 is yes/no. (1point).

Does the applicant satisfy the qualification conditions for CCHEM membership of the RACI?

Assessment Criteria 2-5 are scored out of 5 points. The assessment of each criterion is based on the evidence that is provided in the application form, in your CV, and supported by your referees. It is strongly recommended that the 4 assessment criteria are communicated to the referees so that they may provide support to the statements and/or provide clarification on aspects that the MAC might not understand. The examples given on the form are for guidance. It is suggested that any other evidence broadly fitting the individual criteria also be provided.

The RACI permits and encourages senior chemists, who are not currently members of the RACI to apply for FRACI at the same time as applying for membership. Obviously, criterion 5 is not possible in this case. If you have moved from overseas, it is acceptable to include contributions from a like chemical society (e.g. ACS, RSC). Even if not a member of a similar society it is possible to become FRACI upon joining RACI, but clearly scores in the other categories will need to be commensurately higher.

Please note the application should include a comprehensive CV, a fully completed application form and copies of any qualifications not already on the RACI database and be countersigned by two RACI Fellow Referees who know you personally. Please contact the National Office if no RACI Fellows know you personally. Alternative referees can be suggested, such as Fellows of the ACS or RSC, but it is important that you are known personally to your referees.