



ACSLPA INSIGHTS

College Fees

After careful consideration, ACSLPA Council has concluded that fees will be maintained at current levels for the upcoming 2022 registration year. This means renewal of practice permits will cost \$650, renewal of registration for non-practicing members will continue to be \$175, and the ACSLPA initial application fee for new registrants will remain \$220 for 2022.

Going forward, we will endeavor to keep fees as low as possible while still ensuring that the regulatory mission of the College is achieved. The regulatory mission of the College is to protect the public and this is accomplished by attending to registration, continuing competence, conduct, and daily operations.

Check out ACSLPA's 10 top facts below, to be more informed about the how and why behind College fees.

10 FACTS ABOUT ACSLPA FEES

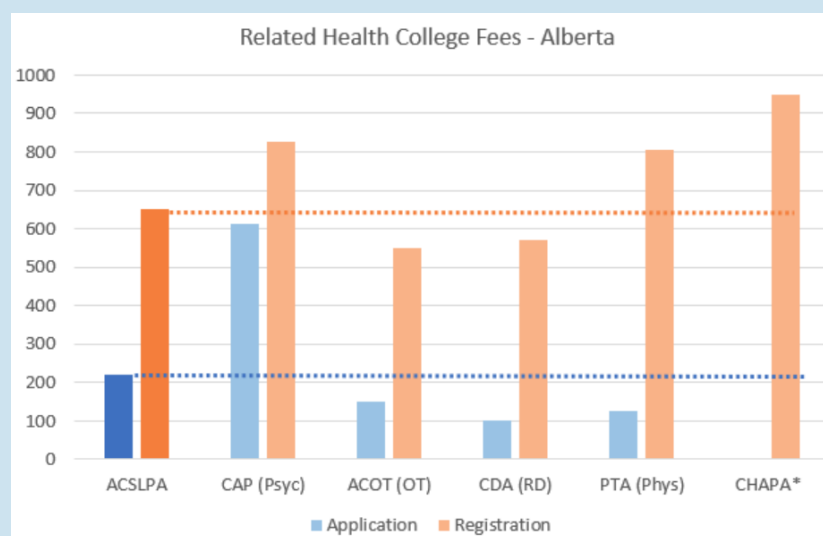
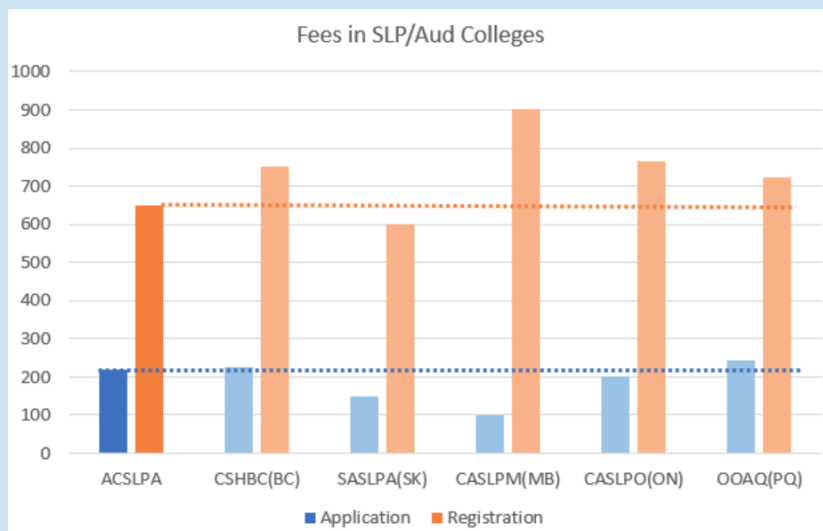
1. What does The Health Professions Act (HPA) say about College fees? **The HPA allows for ACSLPA's Council to set registration fees** for members. Payment of these registration fees is required in the HPA.
2. An updated list of all the fees ACSLPA manages can be found in a **fee schedule** available to anyone on our website. Council reviews fees and budgets annually.
3. **ACSLPA's fees have not increased since 2010** aside from phasing out our early bird discount between 2014—2018. ACSLPA did not require this association-like incentive following the introduction of online renewal.
4. As a self-regulating profession, **ACSLPA's operating expenses are almost exclusively covered by the registration fees** paid by our regulated members.
5. The allocation of **ACSLPA's operating funds is changing in response to the upcoming amendments to the HPA**. While the College has not been involved with as many association activities in recent years and, consistent with the recent HPA amendments, the few remaining association activities we perform will have to be discontinued by the end of 2021 (e.g.,-employment ads, college award programs, etc.). These association activities will be replaced by additional required regulatory activities. With the HPA changes ACSLPA's workload and costs are not decreasing, in many cases they are increasing. If you have any questions or concerns about these changes please contact feedback@acslpa.ca.

6. ACSLPA's fees are low compared to those of similar regulatory Colleges in Western and Central Canada.

7. ACSLPA's fees are relatively low compared to other health profession Colleges in Alberta.

8. Some of the things ACSLPA Council and staff do to manage costs and keep fees as low as possible include:

- Working with other Alberta health profession Colleges and other regulatory Colleges across Canada on common work, so that costs can be shared where possible.
- Budgeting carefully and monitoring both spending and income throughout the year.



*CHAPA registration fees include Professional Liability Insurance (PLI). CHAPA application fees are not shown because they vary by applicant type (\$50—\$375).

9. **Will fees increase in future years?** It is possible fees will increase. Here are some examples of why ACSLPA might have to increase fees:

- Increased operating costs. For example, ACSLPA anticipates that some costs may increase as amendments to the HPA are rolled out and regulatory expectations increase. Another example of potential operating expense increases is year-to-year fluctuations in conduct and discipline expenses.
- A decrease in the overall number of ACSLPA members. Since ACSLPA has the same regulatory requirements every year and therefore the same baseline operating costs, decreased numbers of SLPs and audiologists in Alberta could result in increased fees.

10. We know it is important for members and the public to understand where fees are going. In addition to reading future ACSLPA Insights articles, you can learn more about ACSLPA's work and how fees are spent by reading ACSLPA's **Annual Reports and Business Plans that are available on the ACSLPA website.**