

Session 071: In Search of...Opportunities for Actuaries: Ideas to Expand Your Reach and Impact

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Ideas to Expand Your Reach and Impact

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Polling Question – Why did you choose to attend this session?

- A. I want to expand my skills and impact
- B. I want to grow my people network
- C. I want to give back to my profession
- D. The stellar speakers enticed me here
- E. I am killing time until the reception starts





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Poll: Why did you choose to attend this session?





Session Goals

- Resources
- Opportunities







SOA Organization





Three-fold commitment: **Education**, **Research** and the **Profession**







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Polling Question – The SOA has the highest % growth over the past five years in this country with at least 150 SOA members?

- A. United StatesB. Canada
- C. Thailand
- D. China





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31,811 members as of June 30, 2018







We are purpose-driven

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The SOA Board Oversees the Pursuit of the SOA Mission and Vision

- The Board executes the strategic plan for our growing professional association
- Board is composed of 18 members:
 - 15 elected Board members (5 per year for a 3 year term) President-Elect President Past President
- Interested in running for a Board position? Statements of interest are due by March 31st each year.





The Nominating Committee is tasked with *independently* identifying potential future leaders

- SOA is one of few actuarial organizations with contested elections
- Preferred/desired leader/candidate attributes include:
 - Diversity of practice area, leadership style, geography, demographics, etc.
 - Alignment of skillset with the current SOA strategic plan and goals
 - Commitment to the profession & intellectual engagement
 - Ability to work well with others
- Interested in serving on NomCom? Statements of interest are due each Oct.





For more information go to soa.org/programs/elections/







Polling Question – The SOA has how many fulltime staff members?

- A. 0-75
- B. 76-150
- C. 151-200
- D. Over 200







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SOA staff play an active role in advancing our strategic mission and vision









Volunteerism





Christine My Journey Story 1





Volunteering is both selfless and selfish

"I get so much out of it that it almost feels like a **selfish** motive... [Volunteering] **informs** the work that I do for **my clients**."

"...in contributing to these various Committees, I bring back knowledge to my own company and provide **additional perspective and knowledge within my own work."** "The biggest benefit for me has been in communication and interpersonal skills. Being able to carry on elevator conversations with other executives, being able to describe a concept very succinctly, and yet get the message across. These are things that I've learned from the volunteers that I've worked with."





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SOA Education





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Eileen My Journey Story 2





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Polling Question – The top three exam registration centers for the SOA, in order, are?

A. Toronto, Seoul, New YorkB. Beijing, Taipei, Chicago

C. New York, Montreal, Seoul

D. Hong Kong, Philadelphia, Shanghai







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Where Exams are Administered





Toronto, ON

Seoul, Korea

New York, NY

Chicago, IL

Montreal, PQ

Beijing, China

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Taipei, Taiwan

Hong Kong

Minneapolis, MN

Philadelphia, PA

Shanghai, China

Newark, NJ

Hartford, CT

Boston, MA





INTRODUCTORY I

INTRODUCTORY II

ACTUARIAL

PROFESSIONALISM

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Maintaining Dynamic and Relevant Updates to Education through Professional Development

- Major meetings
- Seminars and section events
- Webcasts
- E-learning Courses
- Podcasts

Training

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Why undertake strategic research?

- For our members
- Gives us a voice
- Bolsters our brand





Polling Question – The SOA completed how many research reports and studies in the last year?

- A. 0-25
- B. 25-50
- C. 50-75
- D. Over 75







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Current SOA Strategic Research Programs



Aging and Retirement

Reviews the societal impact of aging populations and the solutions for mitigating risk.



Actuarial Innovation and Technology Highlights the evolution of technology as it applies to the actuarial profession, industry and population trends.



Mortality and Longevity

Examines the factors impacting models and mortality predictions, and the analysis of longevity trends.



Health Care Cost Trends

Focuses on the forces that shape health care cost and utilization, and the changes over time.



Catastrophe and Climate Studies climate trends and their impact on extreme and catastrophic events.





For more information, go to soa.org/research

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Current and Future Opportunities for Actuaries





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Current Opportunities

"SOA members and candidates expect the SOA credential to correlate to a viable and superlative career path. In order to serve their needs, the SOA must keep abreast of opportunities appropriate to its membership." — Cultivating Opportunities Team Charter

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Polling question – Which of these topics were **NOT** prize winners for actuaries in the Kaggle competition?

- A. Identifying ships from satellite images
- B. Measuring air pollution in China
- C. Tracking the human footprint in the Amazon
- D. Classifying species of fish
- E. Improving lung cancer detection





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Future Opportunities

- Long term roles for actuaries
- Impact of AI, Machine Learning and Big Data
- Global impacts
- InsureTech
- Generational changes







SOA Professional Interest Sections





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Polling Question – The SOA has how many Professional Interest Sections?

- A. 10
- B. 20
- C. 30
- D. 40







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Professional Interest Sections allow members to engage within more defined areas

	ACTUARY OF THE FUTURE	LEADERSHIP & DEVELOPMENT
	EDUCATION & RESEARCH	MARKETING & DISTRIBUTION
	ENTREPRENEURIAL & INNOVATION	MODELING
	FINANCIAL REPORTING	PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT
i.	PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS & FUTURISM	REINSURANCE
	HEALTH	RETIREMENT
5	INTERNATIONAL	SMALLER INSURANCE COMPANY ("SMALLCO")
i	INVESTMENT	SOCIAL INSURANCE & PUBLIC FINANCE ("SI&PF")
C S	JOINT RISK MANAGEMENT	TAXATION
	LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE	TECHNOLOGY





How can section involvement enhance your career and actuarial experience?

- Continuing Professional Development
 - Large meetings
 - Specialty meetings / Seminars / "Boot Camps"
 - Webcasts
 - Podcasts
- Research
 - Sponsor (pay for) or staff Research projects
- Section Newsletters
 - More than 50 section publications per year





Why do people join sections?

- Current information that helps with job/career
- Networking
- Supports profession
- Greater participation in SOA, including some discounts on education or events





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Wrap Up





Next Steps

- Your Actuarial Credential took very hard work and is a valuable asset
- However, in an ever evolving and dynamic world, you must continue to to stay leading-edge to provide value
- We want you to expand your reach and impact so take a strategic pause and reflect on what is the next thing that you need to help you in your career





Questions?

Thank you!





