



## American Society for Aesthetics

### Policies for Waivers at ASA Annual Meetings

On November 22, 2019, the American Society for Aesthetics Board of Trustees approved these waivers for meeting registration and ASA membership, to go into effect beginning with the 2020 Annual Meeting.

WHEREAS,

- (A) The ASA Board of Trustees underscores the importance of requiring that all program participants must be ASA members and must register for all ASA meetings to help ensure the financial stability of the Society,
- (B) The Board recognizes that these requirements can be an undue burden on some potential participants, and
- (C) The Board recognizes the importance of broadening ASA participation and membership,

THEREFORE, the following waivers of the membership and registration requirements shall be available for the 2020 Annual Meeting:

- (1) The waivers for faculty and students at local Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs) without access to travel support, established in 2016 by the Board of Trustees, shall be continued;
- (2) Hardship waivers for local program participants essential to a panel shall be continued;
- (3) Persons considered essential to an interdisciplinary invited panel who have never been on the program at any ASA Annual or Divisional meeting, who have not been a member of ASA in the past ten years, and whose work is in a discipline outside the normal scope of “aesthetics” shall be eligible for a waiver of the membership and registration requirements.

To request a waiver, the participant or (in the cases of 2 and 3, above) the panel organizers should submit a brief explanation of the basis for the waiver to [secretary-treasurer@aesthetics-online.org](mailto:secretary-treasurer@aesthetics-online.org) who will submit the request to at least one other officer for review. Travel funds from ASA will not be available to any such persons approved for these waivers.

On June 11, 2020, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously that there shall be no limit on the waivers provided for under (1) and (2), but for (3) the number of waivers shall be limited to five per annual meeting, commencing with the 2021 meeting.