



Mission & Vision

The Young Leaders Council ("YLC") is a CFA Society San Francisco member volunteer council that develops programs to support career growth, create networking opportunities, and deliver innovative professional learning, germane to early-career finance and investment professionals.

Council Structure

YLC will consist of no more than 6 CFA Society San Francisco members in good standing with less than 10 years career experience: 1 Chair and 5 sitting members. Oversight of the Council will be led by Society staff members, as necessary. The council seeks members of diverse backgrounds in terms of culture, perspective, ideas, gender, age, and expertise.

Key Responsibilities

Council Chairs

- Oversee the council's operation.
- Chair must be present for all YLC meetings.
- Ensure the council members are supported and engaged.
- Monitor progress and completion of action items.
- Respect Society guidelines and timelines for programming.
- Meet monthly with the Member Programming Advisory Council (MPAC) chairs, and Society staff.
- Create meeting agenda and distribute meeting notes.

Council Chairs & Members

- Brainstorm, provide thought leadership, and develop topics and programming across various financial industry sectors and beyond.
- Coordinate with other council members, Society staff, and presenters to confirm event details.
- Utilize strong connections to potential speakers and thought leaders across a range of disciplines.
- Attend meetings and work collaboratively to develop ideas, secure speakers, and host/moderate programs.
- Attend at least (5) Society events, in-person or virtual.

Meeting Frequency & Format

YLC meets monthly for 45-minutes, led by the council chair. Meeting dates and times will be set once the council seats are finalized. A Society staff member will facilitate all meetings and manage the calendar, while council chair is responsible for leading the meeting.

Terms

Council members and council chair will serve an initial two-year term and can serve up to two consecutive one-year terms. Council members and council chair shall serve no more than four years.

Council Member Criteria

- Must be a member in good standing of the Society.
- Must commit to an initial 2-year term.
- Must commit to attending monthly virtual council meetings.
- Must commit to developing at least two in-person or virtual events per fiscal year.
- CFA Designation is not required to apply.

Council Member Responsibilities

- Must attend the Annual Leadership training in August.
- Complete the Volunteer Agreement.
- Attend Society events, in-person or virtual.

Selection Process

Applications may be submitted February 26 - March 31 with the deadline for consideration closing on March 31. Once the application window closes, Society staff will schedule and conduct interviews throughout May. Selected council members will be notified by July 1, 2026.

Apply using the URL below:

https://bit.ly/CFA_YLC26