

AAAE STUDENT CHAPTER START-UP CHECKLIST

- ₹ Inquire about your school's Student Organization/Activity Office policies on campus clubs.
- Identify a faculty member who will be your Chapter Advisor. This person must be current member of AAAE during their tenure as Advisor and submit a letter confirming their interest in serving as a faculty advisor.
- Have the dean of the institution or another school official send AAAE a letter of endorsement giving the school's official recognition of the Student Chapter.
- ★ Identify potential members (minimum of 5 members to submit Student Chapter Application)
 - Ask your friends and classmates
 - o Post a message on your social media, ask others to post
 - Ask Advisor for other potential members
 - Ask another faculty in your department
 - Post flyers with contact information
 - o Participate in Campus Activities/Student Organization Fair at the beginning of each semester
 - Host an initial meeting with a guest speaker or airport tour
 - Contact the AAAE office to request a list of members on your campus and a list of faculty AAAE
 Members
- ✓ Once you have enough members to form a chapter, please send the following to AAAE:
 - A petition to be recognized as an official Student Chapter (template included in the Student Chapter Resource Manual)
 - A letter of endorsement from the dean or another school official
 - A letter from faculty advisor confirming they will serve as the advisor
 - o **Chapter Bylaws** (template included in the Student Chapter Resource Manual)
 - Ensure all officers and at least 5 total Chapter members are current AAAE Student Members (the officers count toward the 5 total)
- ₹ Suggestions for First Student Chapter Meeting
 - o Introduce your Advisor and all members in attendance
 - Elect officers
 - Review/vote on bylaws
 - o Plan/finalize upcoming Student Chapter events for the academic school year
 - Brainstorm membership recruitment activities