Which Membership Program is Right for Me?

Comparing the Material Advantage Student Membership and the TMS Graduate Student Membership Programs

MATERIAL TM ADVANTAGE Student Membership	TMS GRADUATE STUDENT MEMBERSHIP
Access to the majority of TMS member benefits	Full access to all TMS member benefits
Access to benefits from three Material Advantage partner societies (American Ceramic Society, the Association for Iron & Steel Technology, and ASM International)	No access to partner society benefits
Not eligible for individual TMS membership	Full Professional Membership in TMS
Annual membership fee of \$30	One-time membership fee of \$75 for the duration of your graduate studies
Not included in TMS Membership Directory	Included in TMS Membership Directory
Student pricing on TMS-sponsored meetings and courses	Student pricing on TMS-sponsored meetings and courses
Not eligible for TMS Mentoring Program	Eligible for TMS Mentoring Program
Access to student scholarships and awards	Access to student scholarships and awards
No member voting privileges	Member voting privileges
Attend TMS Technical Committees as guest only	Participate in TMS Technical Committees as full voting member
No discounts on additional member benefits	Discounts on additional benefits, including subscriptions to the OneMine and Light Metals Digital libraries and joint memberships in IOM3 and ABM

Frequently Asked Questions?

- Q. Can I be a member of both Material Advantage and the TMS Graduate Student Program?
- A. Yes. The Material Advantage program is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. Graduate students may choose to hold membership in both the TMS Graduate Student Program and the Material Advantage student program.
- Q. I'm a postdoc. Am I eligible for a student membership program?
- **A.** No. The Material Advantage and Graduate Student programs are for current students only. If you completed your terminal degree in the past three years, you may be eligible for Recent Graduate Membership.
- Q. How long can I be a member of the TMS Graduate Student Program?
- A. Your membership is activated throughout the duration of your graduate studies for a one-time up-front fee of \$75. During the membership application process, you will enter your anticipated graduation date. Upon graduating, your membership will automatically upgrade to a full Professional TMS Membership at no cost to you for the first year.