

# The Academy of Scholar Educators

## 2026 Call for Applications

The mission of the CWRU Academy of Scholar Educators is to create a community of educators that promotes and recognizes educational excellence at the CWRU School of Medicine. Academy membership recognizes **sustained and significant contributions to excellence and innovation in medical education**. Building a community of such educators will promote personal and professional development, provide increased opportunities for mentoring and advance educator recognition.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants must:

- Be a current member of the faculty (full time or part-time) in the School of Medicine
- Have a record of sustained and substantial contributions to education in the School of Medicine (including medical students, graduate students, residents, fellows, and/or faculty)
- Demonstrate a commitment to continued meaningful contributions to educational efforts in the School of Medicine

### **MEMBERSHIP STATUS**

#### **(1) Academy Scholar**

- Demonstrate excellence in *at least three* areas of education within teaching portfolio (see application section below)
- “Scholar” level roughly correlates with the standards for rank at the associate professor level

#### **(2) Academy Master**

- Demonstrate excellence in *at least four* areas of education within teaching portfolio
- “Master” level roughly correlates with the standards for rank at the professor level

Membership as a Scholar or Master includes a 3-year term, renewable with evidence of ongoing education activity and/or scholarship as well as a statement of renewed commitment to ongoing engagement.

### **ACADEMY ACTIVITIES**

All educational activities “count” toward active engagement in the teaching mission of the Academy.

The Academy will promote member engagement in existing educational activities, including:

- Education retreats
- Medical Education Grand Round Series
- CAML Faculty Development Programs
- Book clubs and journal clubs
- Scholarship in Teaching Awards
- CAML faculty development series

## **APPLICATION**

The initial application for membership includes:

1. Completed application including personal statement/philosophy of teaching (please attach as a separate document, and not part of the application form.)
2. Updated CV
3. Teaching Portfolio, including:
  - Inventory of contributions to:
    - direct teaching (all settings)
    - mentoring and advising
    - educational products and innovations including curriculum/course development, teaching and assessment materials
    - education administration and leadership
    - education scholarship and bibliography listing all presentations, workshops, publications, and multimedia products
4. Letter of support from Department Chair/Division Chief (*to be included in completed applicant packet – do not send directly to [caml@cwru.edu](mailto:caml@cwru.edu)*)
5. Two additional letters of support (at least one from a learner; second letter may also be from learner or from a colleague familiar with applicant's role as educator)

## **TIMELINE**

- **The deadline for submission of the entire application is 5:00 pm on Monday, March 2, 2026.**
- New inductees will be announced at the School of Medicine Educational Awards Program, **April 21, 2026.**
- Applications should be submitted to [caml@cwru.edu](mailto:caml@cwru.edu).