



## WELCOME TO FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL CLUB

*Building Bridges of International Understanding*

### *Prospective Member Application Preview and Checklist*

#### *Welcome!*

We are pleased you are interested in joining the Welcome to Florida International Club!

#### *Our Motto*

Friendship Through Understanding & Understanding Through Friendship

#### *Our Purpose*

Our Purpose is Building Bridges of International Understanding. Our members are passionate, engaged, and willing to volunteer their time and ideas to support our Club. Being an active member is the fastest way to foster friendships and enjoy all the membership benefits. It is only through an active membership that we will remain strong and grow. As you fill in this application, please take special care to let us know about the leadership and volunteer opportunities you would like to participate in, and other areas of interest where you can contribute.

#### *Application Preview*

The online application process typically opens mid-November. We often receive inquiries from prospective members wishing to gather necessary application information so they are prepared to complete the online application as soon as it opens. Knowing that applications are accepted on a rolling basis—closing as soon as membership reaches capacity—we want to ensure that everyone has an equal opportunity to be prepared to submit their application. As such, we provide this preview and checklist for your reference. All applications are submitted online via our Join Us page.

We again anticipate a high number of applications and encourage you to apply early. Once the application process opens in November, you will be able to complete and submit the application online. Paper applications are not accepted. Your journey to become a member will familiarize you with all our Club's offerings, and provide an opportunity for you and current members to become acquainted.

## *The Journey*

The journey to becoming a member of the International Club is designed to help familiarize you with all our club has to offer, and provide opportunities for you and current members to become acquainted.

Our members are active, energized, and recognize the rewards of social engagement and volunteerism. We look for members that will enjoy all the club has to offer, and gain satisfaction from working to keep both the bonds of friendship and our organization strong. As you are completing this checklist, please give some thought to the interest groups in which you would like to participate, and identify areas of interest in which you would like to volunteer.

You must complete the application prerequisites by March 31 to move from provisional member status to full membership.

# Membership Checklist

Please enter the dates you attended each function. If you have any questions, your sponsor should be your first point of contact. If your sponsor is unavailable, please feel free to contact Shona Veasey, Membership Chair.

Prospective Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Zoom, Interest Group, or Summer Luncheon date (attended as guest) \_\_\_\_\_

Interest Group or Special Event date (attended as guest) \_\_\_\_\_

Second Luncheon Attendance (as prospective member) \_\_\_\_\_

New Member Orientation \_\_\_\_\_

\$200 Paid (\$100 Initiation Fee, \$50 Current Season Dues, \$50 Next Season Dues) \_\_\_\_\_

New Member Tea Attendance Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

## Eligibility to Submit an Online Application

You are eligible to complete and submit your Membership Application after attending two (2) Welcome to Florida International Club events:

- Luncheon plus
- One November Interest Group Meeting, or
- One Interest Group Meeting

# Membership Application Preview



This is only a PREVIEW of the online application. Remember that once you begin the online application, you will need to complete it in one sitting. Once you click on SUBMIT, you will no longer be able to make changes or add to the application. Please familiarize yourself with this PREVIEW so you will have all the information you need to submit your online application. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the class is filled. We anticipate a high number of applicants and encourage you to apply early. Once applications open, you will be able to complete and submit the application online. Paper applications are not accepted.

Go to [www.wflc.org](http://www.wflc.org) and click on "Join Us" in the menu bar to access the link to the official WFLIC Membership Application.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired Password: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as you would like it to appear on your nametag: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsor (MANDATORY): \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date (Month & Day): \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Husband/Partner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Husband/Partner's Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Local City: \_\_\_\_\_ Local Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Local Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Time in SW Florida: \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies/Interests (include up to 5): \_\_\_\_\_

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Languages Spoken: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Describe your international experience, connections, interests or hobbies that you would like to share.

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What other organizations have you belonged to and what position have you held; past and present?

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#### Leadership Opportunities

- \_\_\_\_\_ President - Oversees membership activities, information, and the Club's finances.
- \_\_\_\_\_ New Member Chair - Collects applications and advises the Board of met requirements.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Interest Group/Special Events Chair - Plans 3-4 events per season that are open to the membership, and liaises with Interest Group Leaders.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer - Manages accounting, budgeting, and cash transactions on behalf of the Club.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Assistant Treasurer - Oversees monthly Luncheon payments and online registrations.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Recording Secretary - Keeps official minutes of the Executive Board meetings.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The Website and Newsletter Editor (Digital Communications) - Maintains the website, liaisons with the Webmaster, and edits and publishes the Club's digital newsletter via mailchimp.

## Volunteer Opportunities

- \_\_\_\_\_ Corresponding Secretary - Sends handwritten notes to members (i.e., get well or condolences cards).
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Directory Chair - Keeps track of and updates membership addresses, telephone numbers, and other contact information.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Event Photographer - Takes photos at events for the Club's website, newsletters, or other club-related publications.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Historian - Archives events for future reference, reviews early Club photos, creates scrapbooks, and recommends/implements digitization for inclusion on the website..
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hospitality Chair - Assists at in-season Luncheons.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Interest Group Leader - Proposes and leads interest groups that regularly meet.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Inspirations Chair - Manages inspirational messages at the Monthly in-season Luncheons.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Luncheon Chair - Secures venues for the Monthly in-season Luncheons.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Luncheon Registration Chair - Oversees check-in of members at Monthly in-season Luncheons.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Member Profile Photo Chair - Takes headshot photos at in-season Luncheons for the online Directory.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ New Member Tea Chair or Committee Member - Plans the New Member Tea event that occurs in the spring.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Summer Luncheon Chair - Secures summer Luncheon venues.

Have you lived outside of the United States for 10 years or more? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_

Countries Lived in (5 or less): \_\_\_\_\_

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Countries Visited (5 or less): \_\_\_\_\_

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## Attended Meeting Information

You are eligible to complete and submit your Membership Application after attending two of the following Welcome to Florida International Club events:

I attended a Summer Luncheon on: \_\_\_\_\_

I attended a November Interest Group Meeting on: \_\_\_\_\_

I attended Interest Group or Special Event on: \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIEW