**ACM Professional Development Committee Charter** (Effective July 1, 2014)

The [ACM Professional Development Committee (PDC)](http://util.acm.org/boards/listing.cfm?id=75) is a standing committee of the [ACM Practitioner Board](http://util.acm.org/boards/listing.cfm?id=81) (PB). It serves to promote the continuing education, professional development, ethical conduct and professionalism of ACM members and the computing community as a whole.

**Scope**

The general scope of the PDC is to provide tools for lifelong learning, ethical conduct and professionalism for computing professionals and generally support the professional development and professionalism needs of all ACM members, with particular emphasis on the PD needs of practitioners (whether in public or private industry, academia, or self-employed).

**Structure**

* Core Composition: The total number of “Core Members” of the committee is not to exceed 12 total volunteers, including the Chair and of Vice Chair.
* Staff Coordinator: ACM Education Manager.
* Executive Committee: PDC Chair, Vice-Chair, and Staff Coordinator.
* Chair: Oversees and coordinates activities, such as calls and in-person meetings of the PDC. The PDC Chair works with ACM’s staff coordinator to organize group activities.
* Vice-Chair: Assists and fills in for the Chair as necessary, as well as serves in the PDC executive committee for quick decisions between scheduled PDC meetings.
* Core PDC Members: Consists of at least 5, but no more than 10, additional members.
* Subcommittees: Created to serve specific needs of the PDC and consist of a Chair, Core PDC members, and Emeritus Members.

**Terms and Appointments**

* Chair:
  + Appointed by the ACM PB Chair.
  + Serves a 2-year term.
  + Can be reappointed by the ACM PB Chair.
* Vice Chair:
  + Appointed by the PDC Chair.
  + Serves a 2-year term.
  + Can be reappointed by the PDC Chair.
* Subcommittee Chair:
  + Appointed by the PDC Chair with consensus of current PDC members.
  + Serves a 2-year term.
  + Can be reappointed by the PDC Chair with consensus of current PDC members.
* Core PDC Members:
  + Appointed by the PDC Chair with consensus of current PDC members and includes the ICCP ACM reps.
  + Serve a 2-year term.
  + Can be reappointed or appointed to become “Member Emeritus” of a Subcommittee following the end of their term.

**Subcommittees**

* Webinar (PDC-W): Oversees and coordinates the ACM Learning Webinar series.
* Professional Certification Committee (PDC-PCC): Scans the professionalism and certification landscape for key developments that may affect the ACM community.