

How to JOIN our AODA Family

If you are already an ADA member:

ADA members can become AODA members simply by selecting AODA as their affiliate. To change your affiliate to AODA, log in to eatright.org/myada/join/member.aspx.

On the Membership Information page, under Affiliate: Click on the drop down box under Preferred group affiliate and select American Overseas Dietetic Association. Then, click Continue until the payment page is displayed.

You can also email ADA Member Services at membership@eatright.org or call them at 1-800-877-1600 ext 5000 to change your affiliate to AODA by phone.

Alternatively, you may consider becoming one of our AODA Supporters. Supporters enjoy nearly all AODA member benefits without changing their affiliate. The cost of becoming a supporter is only USD 35.00 per year (June 1 to May 31). To become an AODA Supporter, please visit eatrightoverseas.org/page/join-aoda or contact our Member Services Chair at msc@eatrightoverseas.org.

If you are not yet an ADA member:

You need to first join ADA to become an AODA member. ADA has five different membership categories:

- 1 Active
- 2 Student
- 3 Retired
- 4 International
- 5 Associate

ADA International membership may be granted to any person who has completed formal training in food, nutrition or dietetics outside the United States and U.S. Territories. **This type of membership requires verification from the country's professional dietetic association or regulatory body.**

More can be learned about each of the ADA membership categories by going to eatrightoverseas.org/page/join-aoda and clicking on the corresponding hyperlink.



Words from AODA members around the world...

As AODA members, our strength lies in the unique skills and perspectives that exist within our diverse membership, which spans the globe. I will strive to continue to strengthen our international network to leverage our ability to advocate for improved nutrition worldwide.

Maria Bovill, DrPH, RD, LD, KENYA

I could not be more proud to be an AODA member. AODA showcases the great work that comes from bringing together people with diverse cultures, ideas and worldview. I believe that its impact in the international community has only begun.

Camella Rising, MS, RD, LDN, USA

As an international member of the AODA, I have had the wonderful opportunity to network with dietetic professionals around the world, gaining insight into their work. Being involved on the Leadership Team has helped me develop professionally and personally in the dietetics profession.

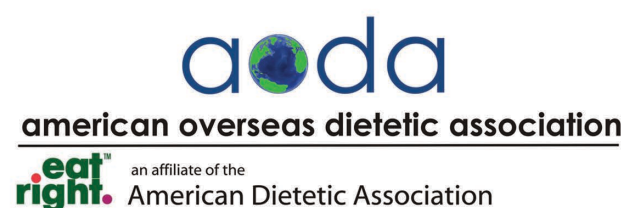
Mary Easaw, BSc (N&D), DipHE CVTS (Int), MALAYSIA

It is with great pleasure that I serve the AODA. I feel especially fortunate to have this unique opportunity to know and network with dietitians living outside of the US with their unique needs, opportunities and challenges.

Editha P. Heberlein, MS, RD, FADA, USA

Collaborating with and learning from AODA members provides inspiration and invaluable perspective for nutrition professionals working to improve the world or their own communities.

Erin Boyd Kappelhof, MS, MPH, RD, THE NETHERLANDS



The International Affiliate of the American Dietetic Association

Our Mission

Empower members to be international food and nutrition ambassadors

Our Vision

Optimize health internationally through food and nutrition

www.eatrightoverseas.org

We are AODA

The American Overseas Dietetic Association (AODA) provides internationally-focused ADA members, ADA members living outside the U.S., and other interested professionals an opportunity to establish professional contacts and obtain continuing education credits. AODA advocates for the international dietetics community and seeks to optimize global health through food and nutrition. As the field of nutrition and dietetics increasingly appreciates the need for a focus on diversity and a global perspective, AODA is positioned at the forefront of this vision.



Our AODA Family

AODA has over 700 members living in more than 70 countries. Members are U.S. registered dietitians and qualified food and nutrition professionals from the international dietetics community. Members practice in a wide variety of settings, including the following:

- Local Hospitals and Clinics
- Private Practice and Consultation
- Overseas U.S. Military Bases
- Colleges and Universities
- Public Health and Communities
- Government and Public Policy
- Food Industry and Food Service Facilities
- Mass Media and Publications

AODA Exclusive Benefits

★AODA Passport

A quarterly electronic newsletter keeps our members connected with information on international continuing education events, association activities, dietetics practice updates, as well as other news affecting the nutrition profession.

★AODA E-News

A monthly email update that delivers the most up-to-date news from the association and around the world.

★AODA MemberNet

Our member-only Web site feature provides links to career and volunteer opportunities, international dietetic associations, the AODA member directory, information on awards and grants, and more.

★AODA Conferences

High-quality conferences are hosted by AODA in a variety of appealing international cities. Distinguished speakers from around the globe contribute to dynamic scientific programs. Each event allows for the unique chance to network with other AODA members and nutrition professionals from around the world. AODA has the distinction of being an accredited Continuing Professional Education Provider (CPE) through the U.S. Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR).



★Educational Stipends

AODA members can apply for educational stipends to offset costs associated with attending various nutrition conferences.

★Awards

AODA offers a variety of awards, which are presented to members annually to recognize their contributions to AODA and their communities as well as their professional achievements.

The American Dietetic Association Foundation (ADAF) International Project Award fosters collaboration and the sharing of knowledge and skills among food and nutrition professionals in the international community. A USD 3,000 award is given to AODA members working in partnership with other food or nutrition professionals on projects that benefit local communities.

★Country Representative Program

The Country Representative (CR) Program is a resource for country-specific nutrition and dietetics information. Members serving as CRs provide local information about food customs, health care systems, educational programs and employment opportunities. They also provide professional support to members, organize networking opportunities and act as liaisons between AODA and national nutrition organizations.

★Networking

AODA members are connected with food and nutrition professionals worldwide via our member-only listserv. AODA is also on Facebook.

★Leadership Opportunities

All AODA members have an opportunity to enhance leadership skills by volunteering on committees or serving as appointed or elected AODA officers.



★AODA Student Outreach Group

Student members:

Please join to establish a strong foundation for professional growth of student members through: Mentorship, leadership, networking, global grassroots projects and more. Make a difference in nutrition and dietetics around the world!

Non-student members/supporters:

Please join us to support training of our future workforce.

For more information, please email the AODA Student Outreach Chair at StudentOutreach@EatrightOverseas.org.