Mission The Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract is committed to advancing the science and practice of surgery in the treatment of digestive disease.

Vision The SSAT will provide leadership in setting the standards for gastrointestinal surgery and interdisciplinary management of digestive disease, in North America and around the world.

Application to Active Membership

**Active**

155 USD Annually
(+75 USD One-Time Initiation Fee)

Either: have a degree from a medical school acceptable to the Board of Trustees; have a license to practice medicine in his/her state, province or country; be certified by a board that is a member board of the American Board of Medical Specialties, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or by an equivalent body; and have an interest in the surgical aspects of digestive diseases or be a career scientist with an M.D, Ph.D. or equivalent degree from an institution acceptable to the Board of Trustees; and have an interest in the surgical aspects of digestive diseases.

Application to Candidate Membership

**Candidate**

20 USD Annually

Either: be a Resident in a surgical training program that is approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, Royal College of Canada, or equivalent body or be a post-residency trainee in a GI Fellowship.

**Visit www.ssat.com for a List of Additional Member Benefits for Candidates.**

Application to Medical Student Membership

**Medical Student**

20 USD One-Time Initiation Fee (no annual dues for the tenure of medical school education)

**Applicant must:**
Be in good standing at an LCME accredited institution or equivalent body.

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Completed application must include:
- An uploaded, current CV, including bibliography; and
- An electronic recommendation from an Active or Senior member of the SSAT.
- A post-residency trainee in a GI Fellowship applying for Candidate membership must provide a letter of support from the Program Director.
### Membership Benefit Highlights

#### Subscription to the *Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery*
- A 560 USD value, a print subscription with full online access is included with Active membership.
- Candidate and Medical Student members receive full online access to the Journal.

#### SSAT Annual Meeting at Digestive Disease Week (DDW)
- 180 USD Early Bird Registration for DDW (Complimentary registration for Candidate and Medical Student members).
- Discounted registration for the SSAT Hands-On Sessions at DDW.
- Foundation Awards Reception at DDW.
- Residents and Fellows Research Conference (by invitation for Candidate and Medical Student members only).
- Discounted registration for the SSAT Winter Course.

#### Committee Membership Opportunities
- The SSAT now fills most committee positions through a self-nomination process. Active and Candidate members can self-nominate for any one committee in the Education Working Group, Member Services Working Group, or Research Working Group.
- Visit [www.ssat.com](http://www.ssat.com) for a complete list of committees, their goals, tasks and schedule.

#### Access to SSAT Career Development Awards and Fellowships
- Career Development Award.
- Career Development Award for Clinical/Outcomes/Education Research.
- Health Care Disparities Research Award.
- SSAT/SBAS Resident/Fellow Research Award.
- ACS/SSAT Health Policy and Management Scholarship.
- Writers Workshop Scholarships.
- Karen and Josef E. Fischer International Traveling Fellowship Award for Surgeons in Academic Practice.
- Carol and Tom R. DeMeester Traveling Fellowship for Surgeons within the U.S. or Canada.
- Health Policy Management.

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The SSAT was founded in 1960 to bring together the best and brightest gastrointestinal surgeons from around the world. Drawing from the leading medical schools and hospitals in the United States and abroad, the SSAT membership is composed of many of today’s leading practitioners, teachers, and young surgeons.