



How to Join the CAA Sep 11, 2017

Individual Membership

To join a dojo is a simple process. You can click on the Directory on this website to find a complete listing of association dojo. Visit any member dojo where you will be welcome to observe classes in session. If you like what you see and wish to join, you will be warmly welcomed.

Dojo Membership

Our association emphasizes the development of clear student/teacher relationships. If your dojo is interested in joining us, follow the steps below:

1. Train with a Mentor or Division Head to establish a student/teacher relationship. Once the relationship is established, have a discussion regarding your membership. Different instructors have different expectations for dojos in their division, this should be part of your discussion.
2. Download and review the CAA guidelines. Your membership responsibilities are described in this document.
3. Once approved to join, the Mentor or Division Head will contact the Clerk.
4. Fill out the online application form.
5. Pay the \$200 new membership fee (\$100 registration fee + \$100 annual dues) Paypal is preferred, use the PayPal link on the website. If necessary, checks and money orders may be submitted to CAA mailing address (delays may occur).
6. You will receive an e-mail that your application for membership is complete. Your dojo URL will be forwarded to the web master for listing on the website.
7. Your dojo will be announced at the next semi-annual CAA training/meeting
8. Questions may be addressed to your Mentor or Division Head.
9. You are responsible for keeping your contact information updated and accurate. Changes may be submitted via the online application form.

NOTE: Under the Guidelines § IV C) "New dojos are also required to wait one year before submitting any applications for Yudansha ranks as required by the Aikikai."