Leadership Criteria for Council members

The AGU Council helps advance AGU's strategic plan by:

1. Formulating science policy
2. Generating ideas for aligning and strengthening AGU activities as science evolves
3. Advising on science and member issues

Council members have dual roles: leading AGU as a whole and leading subsets of AGU (committees, focus groups, sections, student/early career members, etc.). These roles require that Council members dedicate themselves to being a conduit of information among AGU members. Equally, during Council discussions, Council members must be aware of their roles as leaders of AGU.

The following list of leadership criteria is intended to assist focus group/section leaders, committee/task force chairs, the Governance Committee, and the AGU President in identifying potential candidates for Council positions who can effectively fill dual roles. Identifying candidates who embody the following will help ensure an effective Council and help continue to advance the mission and vision of AGU.

- Active, engaged, and inquisitive
- Objective and impartial
- Familiar with AGU's strategic plan, governance model, culture, and ethics policy
- In tune with the AGU and Earth and space science community
- Good communicator (both presenting and listening)
- Open minded
- Well respected
- Team player
- Appreciates the dual roles of leader/representative of a discipline/committee/task force and leader of the entire AGU
- Values diversity
- Forward looking
- Willing to learn