CAPACS will be conducting an Accreditation Review Committee and Site Visit Team Training Workshop for new Commissioners who will be joining the CAPACS Board of Directors; current Commissioners as a "refresher" course; members of AACS, and other professional sociologists who are interested in participating on a CAPACS accreditation review committee and site visit team for reviewing higher education programs in applied, clinical, and engaged public sociology, and sociological practice.

The workshop covers the Commission’s Standards, Self-study Guidelines, Accreditation Policies and Procedures and Review Process Guidelines. It will be presented in two sessions: 1:00 – 2:50 pm (part 1), and 3:00 – 5:00 pm (part 2). There is no fee for the workshop. Training materials will be furnished on-site. Participants who successfully complete the Workshop will be able to serve as accreditors (reviewers) on accreditation review committees and as site visitors on site visit teams.

- As "Accreditors," participants will be able to differentiate and apply five sets of industry-wide standards for professional programs supported by the Commission. Areas include institutional resources, program structure, practice experience, student learning goals and outcomes, and monitoring and quality control.

- As "Site Visitors," participants will be able to conduct two- and three-day site visits of applicant programs to determine quality and effectiveness; and engage in semi-structured interviews with program faculty, students, alumni, advisory boards, administrators, and internship supervisors. Areas include matriculation, advisement, resources, curriculum, marketing, and program assessment and evaluation.

There is no charge. Participants are invited to attend the AACS Welcome Reception following the Workshop, where complimentary food and beverages will be provided.