



## Local Sections

### Expand the reach of the American Nuclear Society

A local section of the ANS allows nuclear professionals to enjoy some of the benefits of membership locally. Network with others in the field, host technical speakers, share information with colleagues, foster awareness and understanding about nuclear science and technology with the community, and help present a unified voice in support of the advancement of nuclear science.

Local sections of ANS enable members to experience ANS close to home.  
**Form your local section today!**

## Steps to Starting Local Section

as of May 2025

1. Convene at least one meeting with nuclear professionals from your geographic area interested in forming a local section.
2. Complete the Local Section petition form which should include at least twenty (20) signatures from ANS members. (Not all signatures need to be from members from the geographic area of the proposed local section.) Appoint interim faculty advisor (must be an ANS professional member).
3. Include with your petition a brief description of your plans for local section activities. This will help the Local Section Committee in the review process.
  - a. Planned meetings
  - b. Leaders' commitment to starting the section (brief paragraph)
  - c. List of any local corporations, government agencies, or other organizations willing to be supportive of the section.
  - d. Preliminary plan for sending information on the sections' activities to professionals in the nuclear field that live in the area
  - e. Benefits the section will provide for its member
  - f. Plans to recruit and train future leaders
4. Submit the completed Petition form to Aubrey Whittington [awhittington@ans.org](mailto:awhittington@ans.org) at the ANS headquarters. She will forward the petition on to the Local Section Committee for their review.
5. The Local Sections Committee will review and if approved, will recommend to the board of directors that the proposed local section be given its charter.
6. Once board of directors approves the section, the Local Section Committee will assign a committee member as a liaison for support and send the new section or branch the ANS Member mailing list in their area. Staff liaison and local section chair will give more information to section upon approval.
7. Develop rules to go with the standard by-laws.

### Attachments:

- Petition
- Standard By-laws template
- Local Section Bylaws and Rules



## Petition for Authorization of Local Section

Date \_\_\_\_\_

We, the undersigned, all of whom are members of the American Nuclear Society, request approval from the Board of Directors for the organization of a geographical section of the Society in \_\_\_\_\_. The region we propose to embrace is \_\_\_\_\_ (cities, postal codes, states, province, prefectures, etc.). Headquarters of the Section will be in \_\_\_\_\_. The proposed name of the Section is the \_\_\_\_\_ Local Section of the American Nuclear Society.

We have read the Bylaws and Rules of the Society, and specifically Article B9 Constituent Units and R17 Local Sections. Furthermore, we agree to conform with the requirements therein stated and in all other respects with the broad objectives of the Society which are to promote awareness of and the peaceful application of nuclear science and technology.

The required twenty (20) signatures of ANS Members are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Interim Chair of Organizing Group

\_\_\_\_\_ Local Section  
American Nuclear Society



## Petition Signatures to establish the \_\_\_\_\_ Local Section of the American Nuclear Society

At least twenty (20) signatures of ANS Members required. Sheet can be copied for additional signatures.

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