

The path to CCP membership

Five main application steps have to be taken



1) Written application

Candidates place a request with the local party cell explaining their interest and motivation. Within one month, the party cell sends a contact person to the candidate to outline the rest of the process.



2) Acceptance as a candidate

The candidate must provide a CV and information on their family, social connections and the political background of their parents. The party cell appoints two party members as mentors and supervisors.



3) One-year preparation period

The candidate must, at a minimum, complete a three-day course (e.g., at the party school). They must present a reflective report on Marxism-Leninism, the guidelines of the CCP, and current political developments every three months. The party cell verifies the candidate's information and political commitment by interviewing at least eight colleagues, neighbors and acquaintances.



4) Official acceptance process

Candidates can officially apply for party membership. They must name two guarantors (usually the two mentors). A superior party organization reviews the application in three to six months and interviews the candidate.



5) One-year trial membership

If the organization accepts the admission, the candidate is registered, sworn in, and begins a trial membership. Depending on income, members must pay between 0.5 and 2 percent of their net income annually as a membership fee.



6) Official membership

If there is no breach of party discipline or law, official membership is granted after one year.