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Polyelectrolyte brushes (PEBs) are functionalizable surface modifiers with tunable response to stimuli. A comprehensive understanding of their conformational behavior can improve already existing applications such as anti-fouling and contribute to their development as smart materials. Our self-consistent field theory (SCFT) considers the coupling of polymer elasticity, solubility, and electrostatic repulsion, enabling the characterization of PEB conformations at various charge fractions and hydrophobicities. Using this theory, we have found multi-layered PEB conformations, in which comprising chains are permitted in only one layer each. Calculated end-point distributions are negligible between layers, as the brush is formed by a series of melted mushroom conformations grafted upon each other. To facilitate the experimental validation of our multi-layered PEB conformations, we have calculated corresponding reflectivity spectra for up to four-layered PEBs. A good fit with an experimentally measured height profile of a protein brush suggests our model can also provide quantitative insights for the design of real-world systems.