

Continuing Education Courses Georgia Association of REALTORS<sup>®</sup> Partners in Education Program (PIE) 6065 Barfield Road, Suite 200 Atlanta, GA 30328 <u>pie@garealtor.com</u>

#### Who May Request a Course

You may sponsor a class through GAR if you are a:

- local board association executive (AE) or Education Director
- local board president
- REALTOR<sup>®</sup> company broker
- real estate-related organization

## How to Request a Course - How It Works

- 1. Decide which course and Instructor you would like to host/sponsor. You can search for available courses by course name or by Instructor.
- 2. Contact the Instructor to schedule the course date and time that works best for both of you.
- 3. Complete the <u>online course request</u>.
- 4. A "Request Received" confirmation email will be sent to the email address submitted on the online request form.
- 5. GAR will send an instructor agreement to the Instructor. Once the signed instructor agreement is returned to GAR, you will receive an "Instructor/Class Approved" confirmation email.
- 6. The "Instructor/Class Approved" confirmation email will provide you with the PIE Resource Page website link, username and password. You will be able to download all materials needed for your class.
- 7. A flyer link will be sent to you in the "Class Approved" email if a Partners in Education corse. For Designation, Certification and GRI Core Courses, GAR will send you a flyer with the additional class information in a "Course Official" email.
- 8. Course will be posted on <u>garealtor.com (under the Education tab, Search Upcoming Classes)</u>, unless you requested otherwise.

## **GAR's Responsibilities**

- 1. Create an Agreement for the Instructor.
- 2. Pay the Instructor's fee and expenses.
- 3. Provide a flyer either by link or attachment to email.
- 4. Post course on GAR's website garealtor.com (under the Education tab, Search Upcoming Classes).
- 5. Provide Sponsor with all the <u>required documents</u> including student handouts. (Link for handouts provided once course approved.)
- 6. Provide Class Sponsor with the text and attachments for the Livestream Class information (Zoom link) email to send to students before the class. (Sponsor will need to add the student handout which should be downloaded from the PIE Sponsor page. Access to that page is provided via the "Class Approved" email.) For certification/designation/GRI classes, GAR will send this email directly to students.
- 7. Provide the Class Sponsor with the text for the After-Class email that should be sent to all students eligible for license credit. For certification/designation/GRI classes, GAR will send this email directly to students.
- 8. Post license credits to the GREC.
- 9. Keep course documents on file for five years (GREC requirement).

## Sponsor's Responsibilities

- 1. Contact the Instructor to schedule a date and time for your course <u>How it Works</u>.
- 2. Fill out the online course request form. (Click on the first choice, "Partners in Education.")
- 3. Provide a handicap-accessible site if an in-person class format.

- 4. Discuss Instructor's audio-visual requirements with the Instructor if an in-person class format.
- 5. Promote the course.
- 6. Set the student registration fee. (Student registration fee is what you charge the student this is different from the Sponsor fee owed to GAR.)
- Handle registrations for PIE classes –unless you want GAR to handle. If GAR handles the registrations, there will be a \$50 administrative fee per class. (GAR will handle registrations for certifications/designation/GRI classes.)
- 8. Have a <u>GAR Certified Facilitator</u> attend the class. (The sponsor is not charged for facilitator attendance; facilitator is not charged for PIE classes; facilitator receives partial refund for certification/designation/GRI courses.) <u>Click here</u> <u>for information on how to become a GAR-Certified Facilitator</u>.
- 9. Handle any refreshments you would like to offer if an in-person class format.
- 10. After the course,
  - a. Email the After-Class email to all students eligible to receive license credit. GAR will provide you with the email text and necessary electronic form link(s).
  - b. Email the following documents for processing to GAR: Post Course Checklist
    - i. Completed Attendance Verification Form (sign-in sheet) Signed and dated by the facilitator
    - ii. Facilitator Evaluation Form
    - iii. Check for PIE Sponsor fees (See charts below.):
      - For one 3-hour course, the fee is \$25 per attendee with a minimum of \$450 and a maximum of \$700.
      - For two 3-hour courses held on the same day, the fee is \$25 per attendee per class with a minimum of \$800 and a maximum of \$1,200.

**Cancellation Policy**: As a courtesy to Instructors who reserve time to present a course, the Sponsor must advise GAR staff in writing if a course is cancelled or rescheduled. Cancellation of a course may not relieve the Sponsor of the obligation to pay a fee.

A class may be cancelled in writing up to two business days prior to the date of a class without financial penalty to the Sponsor. If a class is cancelled within less than two business days prior to the date of the class, the Sponsor will pay GAR a \$100.00 cancellation penalty fee and, in turn, GAR will pay that fee to the Instructor. The Instructor has the option of accepting or waiving this penalty fee. The Instructor must be notified of a class cancellation by electronic notice or other written method.

Example: A class is scheduled for a Thursday. If the class needs to be cancelled, GAR must be notified by two business days prior, so GAR should be notified by that Monday at the close of business.

# GAR Partners in Education course fees are:

• One 3-hour CE Course:

Paid by the Sponsor to GAR is calculated at \$25 per student with a minimum fee of \$450 and a maximum fee of \$700.

GAR Fee Per Student	Number of Students	<b>Total Due to GAR</b> <i>Min \$450 Max \$700</i>
Example #1 - \$25	12 + 1 Facilitator	\$450
Example #2 - \$25	18 + 1 Facilitator	\$450
Example #3 - \$25	30 + 2 Facilitators	\$700

• Two 3-hour CE Courses held on the same day or one 6-hour CE Course:

Paid by the Sponsor to GAR is calculated at \$25 per student with a minimum fee of \$800 and a maximum fee of \$1,200.

		Min \$800 Max \$1,200
Example #1 - \$25	24 + 1 Facilitator	\$800
Example #2 - \$25	36 + 1 Facilitator	\$900
Example #3 - \$25	60 + 2 Facilitators	\$1,200

• The Sponsor must pay GAR a per student fee whether or not the attendee is receiving CE, licensed, non-licensed, a member, or a non-member. (The exception is for the GAR Certified Facilitator.)

# Processing of Registrations by GAR (Optional)

If the Sponsor requests GAR to register the students for classes, there will be a \$50.00 fee charged to the Sponsor. This amount is for administration and processing costs.

For GAR to handle online registrations, the Sponsor must check the appropriate box on the online Partners CE Request Form. After the class, GAR will either:

• Rebate to the Sponsor the difference between registrations dollars collected less the \$50.00 processing fee and the amount the Sponsor would owe GAR for the class,

OR

• Send the Sponsor an invoice for the difference the Sponsor owes, including the \$50.00 processing fee.

#### Instructor's Responsibilities:

- 1. Help advertise.
- 2. Contact the Sponsor for audio-visual needs if an in-classroom format course.