Fellowship Criteria

Division 8
Society for Personality and Social Psychology

For Division 8, we should expect specifically that the "unusual and outstanding contribution or performance" be specific to Personality and/or Social Psychology.

The following may provide evidence of such distinction:

1. Publication of important articles in highly respected and well-refereed journals in Personality and Social Psychology. (However, on occasion publication in other journals may be appropriate also, provided that content is seen as contribution to Personality and Social Psychology – e.g., journals in clinical psychology, organizational behavior, industrial psychology, Science, developmental psychology, etc.)

2. Publication of important books on theory and method in these fields.

3. Contribution to edited volumes – Handbook of Personality, Handbook pf Social Psychology, Advances in Personality, Advances in Social Psychology, Annual reviews, Applied Social Psychology Annual, and other volumes of similar distinction.

4. Publication is journals or books are not sufficient per se, there must be evidence of impact on the field; citations, innovations in theory or method, resolution of important issues.

5. Outstanding and unusual contributions through instruction; outstanding PhDs turned out under the candidate's direction; important innovations in teaching or personality and/or social psychology; important and influential text books; if accompanied by an acceptable research record.

Public service relevant to Personality and Social Psychology such as expert witness testimony; testimony before courts and congressional committees or government commissions; service on NIMH, NSF, etc. review panels; etc., if accompanied by a research record of some distinction.