CLADEA serves as a clearinghouse for shared information and collaboration among professional associations in the field. Our mission is “to foster mutual support among national and international organizations dedicated to postsecondary learning assistance or developmental education” (cladea.info). Representing thousands of professionals on CLADEA are five member organizations:

- Association of Colleges for Tutoring & Learning Assistance
- Association for the Tutoring Profession
- College Reading and Learning Association
- National Center for Developmental Education
- National College Learning Center Association

The Council endorses the following certification programs: ACTLA’s Online Tutoring Program Certification; ACTP’s Individual Tutor Certification, Tutor Trainer Certification, Professional Academic Coaching Certification for Individuals, Certification of Academic Coach Training Programs; CRLA’s International Tutor Training Program Certification and International Peer Educator Training Program Certification; NCDE’s Specialist in Developmental Education and Learning Assistance; and NCLCA’s Learning Center Certification, Learning Centers of Excellence Certification, and Learning Center Leadership Certification.

The Council spurs excellence in another way, too, by recognizing and honoring the most outstanding leaders in the profession. Fellows are selected based on their long-term and significant contributions to the field. Selection as a Fellow represents the highest honor conferred upon professionals in learning assistance, tutoring, and developmental education. Individuals selected as Fellows must be nominated by a current Fellow or by a member association. Current Fellows include the following:

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