Professional Designations

New Marks of Distinction for SVS members

Fellow of the Society for Vascular Surgery™ (FSVS™)

The SVS Executive Board has announced that SVS is offering a new designation – Fellow of Society for Vascular Surgery™. Individuals who have met the criteria and qualifications for Active membership in SVS and are in good standing will be granted the Fellows of Society for Vascular Surgery™ (FSVS™) designation. The designation is a public acknowledgement that a surgeon has met the high standards required by the SVS of its members and has shown a professional commitment to the field of vascular surgery.

The FSVS™ designation may be used to demonstrate your qualifications by adding it after your name in any usage, such as signature lines, letterhead, door signage and so on. Examples of use:

Dr. Mary Smith, MD, FSVS
Dr. John Jones, DO, Ph.D, FSVS, FACS

What needs to be done to start using the designations?

If you have met the requirements (see below) and have been accepted as an Active SVS member and are in good standing, you may begin using the FSVS™ designation immediately.

READ MORE ABOUT THE FSVS™ REQUIREMENTS

Distinguished Fellow of the Society for Vascular Surgery™ (DFSVS™)

Distinguished Fellows™, a longstanding SVS program that recognizes members who have distinguished themselves in
a sustained manner by making substantial contributions in two of three categories: research, service or education.

In addition to referring to themselves as Distinguished Fellows, these honorees can now use the distinctive mark, “DFSVS.”

Current Senior, Active and International SVS members are eligible to apply for Distinguished Fellow status and must be approved through a rigorous process. Upon approval, Distinguished Fellows may list the initials after their name in any usage, such as signature lines, letterhead, door signage and so on. Examples of use:

Dr. Mary Smith, MD, DFSVS Dr. John Jones, DO, PhD, DFSVS, FACS

Who can use the designations?

Current Senior, Active and International SVS members who are Distinguished Fellows may use the designation. Members must be up-to-date on their dues to use the designations.

What needs to be done to start using the designations?

Nothing. If you are a Distinguished Fellow whose dues are paid, you can use the designation today.

If your dues have lapsed or you aren’t yet a Distinguished Fellow, please contact membership@vascularsociety.org to reinstate your Active membership or apply for Distinguished Fellow status before using the designation.

Read more about the Distinguished Fellows program