



National Honor Societies and Scholarships

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National Scholars Honor Society

<http://www.magnacumlaude.org/>

Scholarship eligibility is determined for each new applicant at the time of acceptance, and is reviewed each academic year for as long as the member continues to update his file on an annual basis. Members may update their files at any time. Each member is responsible for updating his file to remain in the scholarship eligibility pool, but annual updates are not required to maintain membership in the society. Members may update their files by standard mail or by the Online Update Form. Recommended update information includes current and cumulative GPA, any awards, honors, memberships, personal attributes, experiences, or accomplishments that have changed since the initial application was filed.

All scholarship funds are reserved for Honor Society members. Non-members are not eligible to receive any portion of the scholarship funds. The total number and amounts of scholarships granted are dependant upon the total funds available to The National Scholars Honor Society each academic year, and will be determined by the board of directors during regular meetings. Scholarships are distributed directly to the recipient members in the form of stipend checks and may be subject to State or Federal taxation as reportable income. Scholarships are funded by membership fees. No State or Federal funds are used to support the scholarship program.

National Honors Society

http://www.nhs.us/s_nhs/index.asp

The National Honor Society (NHS) and National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) are the nation's premier organizations established to recognize outstanding high school and middle level students. More than just an honor roll, NHS and NJHS serve to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Character (and Citizenship for NJHS). These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since their beginnings in 1921 and 1929. Today, it is estimated that more than one million students participate in activities of the NHS and NJHS. NHS and NJHS chapters are found in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, many U.S. Territories, and Canada. Chapter membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments, but challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service.

United Negro Fund

<http://www.uncf.org/>

The United Negro College Fund (UNCF) is the nation's largest, oldest, most successful and most comprehensive minority higher education assistance organization. UNCF provides operating funds and technology enhancement services for 39 member historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs), scholarships and internships for students at about 900 institutions and faculty and administrative professional training. Over 63 years, the United Negro College Fund has raised more than \$2 billion to help a total of more than 350,000 students attend college and has distributed more funds to help minorities attend school than any entity outside of the government.

Alpha Beta Gamma: Business

www.ABG.org

PURPOSE: To confer distinction for high academic achievement in business studies; to encourage scholarship, intellectual development, and the pursuit of excellence in business careers; to teach leadership; to provide for an exchange of intellectual ideas; to provide networking opportunities for business students. Exceptional business professionals and academicians are recognized through honorary membership. All members are lifetime members.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership is limited to students enrolled in business degree programs who have achieved a minimum of 3.0/4.0 cumulative grade point average and who have earned 30 credits towards a business degree and rank in the top 35% of their class.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Most activity happens at the chapter level. Chapters can exist as Honorific Chapters that confer distinction through initiation into the society. Academic chapters work in conjunction with the business departments or business Deans and offer ancillary business programs such as seminars, lectures, symposia, and field trips for business students. An annual Leadership Conference at which seminars, lectures, cultural activities and elections are conducted is held in the spring semester. Local chapters sponsor this conference in conjunction with the national office. Stipends are offered to official delegates.

AWARDS: The association works with four-year colleges to offer special transfer scholarships for initiated members. Over \$500,000 in scholarships is available to Alpha Beta Gamma members. Chapters compete for annual awards. Students are eligible for annual awards and stipends. Graduation regalia is available for students and faculty.

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Alpha Chi: All Academic Fields

www.AlphaChiHonor.org

PURPOSE: To encourage sound scholarship and devotion to truth, not only among members but among all students on chapter campuses. Opposed to bigotry, narrowness, and discrimination on any basis other than that of academic achievement or character.

ELIGIBILITY: Active membership is restricted to the top ten percent of members of the junior and senior classes with the provision that a student may qualify for membership at the time of graduation with the baccalaureate degree. The faculty may set higher standards. High scholarship is the primary requisite for membership, but good character and reputation are considerations. Membership is for life, but alumni may maintain active status by paying an annual fee.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The Constitution calls for regular chapter meetings promoting and recognizing scholarly achievement. Visiting speakers are presented; student papers are read; faculty-led discussions are held. Free tutoring is done by some chapters; some recognize achievement by granting scholarships. At regional and national meetings, student members take part in presenting papers, musical and entertainment features, panel discussions, and in voting on policies and actions.

AWARDS: The National Council awards ten H.Y. Benedict Fellowships for graduate study, ten Alfred H. Nolle Scholarships for undergraduate study and one Joseph E. Pryor Alumni Fellowship for active alumni. Some Regional Councils also award scholarships or fellowships. In every case, awards are made on a competitive basis. An Outstanding Chapter and a Distinguished Alumnus are recognized at the national convention, held in odd-numbered years.

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Alpha Epsilon: Agricultural, Food, and Biological Engineering

www.Alpha-Epsilon.org

PURPOSE: To promote the high ideals of the engineering profession, to give recognition to those agricultural and biological engineers who manifest worthy qualities of character, scholarship, and professional attainment, and to encourage and support such improvements in the agricultural and biological engineering profession that make it an instrument of greater service to mankind.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership shall be based on scholarship, leadership, and character. Active members shall be undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in agricultural and biological engineering. A senior must be in the upper third of the college class in which enrolled. A

junior must be in the upper quarter of the college class in which enrolled. Graduate students must have completed seven semester hours of graduate course work with a minimum grade average of 3.25 on a 4.0 point scale, or have been eligible as an undergraduate.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Annual convention is held each year in conjunction with the International Meeting of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers.

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Alpha Epsilon Delta: Premedical

<http://www.nationalaed.org/>

PURPOSE: Alpha Epsilon Delta is the national health preprofessional honor society dedicated to the encouragement and recognition of excellence in preprofessional health scholarship, including medicine, dentistry, veterinary, and others. The Society welcomes ALL students engaged in the pursuit of a professional healthcare career. AED offers opportunities for intellectual and professional development, provides a forum for students with common interest, and extends a program of service to benefit the college/university community.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership in AED is an honor bestowed upon a student in recognition of superior scholastic achievement, and affords an opportunity to develop initiative, leadership, and self-education through participation in the activities of the chapter and Society. A Student Member is a person preparing for a career in a health profession, has completed at least three semesters (five quarters) of preprofessional health work (with the minimum scholastic requirements as described in the Constitution), has been initiated into the Society, paid the national membership fee, and has been registered with the National Office. A Student Member becomes an AED alumnus upon graduation. The student shall be engaged in courses leading to the study of their chosen health profession. The student shall have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of health preprofessional studies work with a overall cumulative grade average of at least 3.20 on a 4.0 scale (A = 4.00) and also with a cumulative average of 3.20 in the sciences - biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics. Members shall be selected with no discrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, creed or national origin.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: In addition to an extensive program of educational activities by the chapters, the Society sponsors a number of regional and national programs, including a biennial convention and symposia where topics of mutual interests are discussed by educators and students for the benefit of members and others. The Scalpel and AED Newsletter are published by the Society.

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Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology

<http://sites.google.com/site/alphakappadeltainternational/>

PURPOSE: The name implies social research for the purpose of service. It is a non-secret, democratic, international, sociology honor society.

ELIGIBILITY: Students classified as undergraduate: Must be an officially declared sociology major or demonstrate a serious interest in sociology within an official program of the host institution. Must be at least a junior (third year) by standards of the host institution. Must have accumulated the equivalent of an overall grade point average of 3.0 on a four point scale and rank in the top 35% of their class in general scholarship. Must have maintained the equivalent of a 3.0 grade point average in sociology courses taken at the host institution prior to initiation. Must have completed at least four regular courses in sociology prior to initiation (exclusive of extension or courses graded pass/fail). Barring unusual circumstances, graduate students are eligible for membership in Alpha Kappa Delta. Election to Alpha Kappa Delta shall be without regard to race, creed, or national origin.

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Alpha Kappa Mu: All Academic Fields

www.AlphaKappaMu.org

PURPOSE: To promote high scholarship; to encourage sincere and zealous endeavor in all fields of knowledge and service; to cultivate a high order of personal living; and to develop an appreciation for scholarship and scholarly endeavor in others.

ELIGIBILITY: Election to membership in a chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu is limited to students of junior or senior classification, who have earned a minimum of thirty hours at the institution a year prior to induction, with a cumulative grade point ratio of 3.3 or better (A=4) and ranks in the upper 10% of the class. Fifty percent or more of the hours needed for graduation must have been completed. In addition to academic requirements, good character and one's reputation are considered for membership. First-year graduate students are eligible if they meet the requirements for undergraduates. A continuing graduate student must have been admitted as a matriculated student and must have earned fifteen hours with a GPA of 3.7 or better.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Local chapters plan their activities and some offer awards. Biennial meetings are held with regional meetings in alternate years. Two George W. Gore, Jr.-Thomas J. Crawford Memorial Scholarships of \$2,000 each are awarded annually on a competitive basis to seniors who will enter graduate/professional schools in the fall.

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Alpha Lambda Delta: Freshman Scholarship

www.NationalALD.org

PURPOSE: The purpose of the society is to encourage superior scholastic attainment among students in their first year in institutions of higher education, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning, and to assist women and men in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their roles in society.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership is based on superior academic achievements by students during their first year of college. The student must be registered for a full load of courses leading to a bachelor's degree. Students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better (based on A=4.0) at the end of any curricular period during their first year of college and rank in the top 20% of the freshman class. Students are active during the year following induction, but enjoy life membership in the society.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Chapters plan activities, which encourage, honor, and promote academic excellence. Many chapters are involved in service projects. The National Council sponsors an annual student workshop to promote leadership and programming.

AWARDS: Chapters may compete for the prestigious Order of the Torch Award, presented annually to no more than five outstanding chapters. The Jo Anne J. Trow scholarships of \$1,000 each are presented to outstanding undergraduate members selected by a national panel. The Outstanding Advisor Award is presented annually.

FELLOWSHIPS: National Alpha Lambda Delta awards graduate fellowships (at least 23) annually of up to \$3,000 to \$7,500 for one year of graduate study. Any initiated member of Alpha Lambda Delta who has maintained the academic qualification for membership is eligible to apply.

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Alpha Phi Sigma: Criminal Justice

www.AlphaPhiSigma.org

PURPOSE: The purpose of Alpha Phi Sigma is to recognize and promote high scholarship among students actively engaged in collegiate preparation for professional services; to keep abreast of the advances in scientific research; to elevate the ethical standards of the Criminal Justice professions; and to establish in the public mind the benefit and necessity of education.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students must have declared a major, minor, or equivalent in criminal justice or related fields, must rank in the upper 35% of their class, have completed three full-time semesters or equivalent, have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale with a minimum grade point average of 3.2 in courses in the criminal justice or related fields. A minimum of four courses shall be in the criminal justice, law* or related fields. Graduate students shall be enrolled in a graduate program in the criminal justice field, have completed 12 semester hours of graduate work or equivalent, have a minimum grade point average of 3.4 on a 4.0 scale, with a minimum grade point average of 3.4 in the courses in the criminal justice field. *Law students enrolled in law school must have completed one academic year, with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Annual National Conference. Various scholarships are awarded based upon academic achievement, leadership, and service.

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Alpha Pi Mu: Industrial Engineering

www.AlphaPiMu.net

PURPOSE: Confer recognition upon students of Industrial and Systems Engineering who have shown exceptional academic interest and abilities in their field, encourage the advancement and quality of Industrial and Systems Engineering education, unify the student body of the Industrial Engineering department in presenting its needs and ideals to the faculty.

ELIGIBILITY: Students of Industrial and Systems Engineering who rank scholastically in the upper one-third of the senior Industrial and Systems Engineering class and the upper one-fifth of the junior Industrial and Systems Engineering class are considered for membership on the basis of leadership, ethics, sociability, character, and breadth of interest. Graduate students and alumni may be elected to membership if they meet the requirements. Faculty members and professional industrial and systems engineers may be elected to faculty and honorary memberships respectively have proven themselves outstanding professionals in the field.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Chapter projects are classified in three basic categories: betterment of the field, betterment of the school; and betterment of the chapter. National Executive Council provides Annual \$1000 scholarship awards to outstanding members.

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Alpha Sigma Mu: Metallurgy and Materials Engineering

www.AlphaSigmaMu.org

PURPOSE: To honor those students of metallurgy, metallurgical engineering and materials engineering who attain high rank in scholarship and who possess to a high degree the qualities of exemplary integrity, leadership and initiative.

ELIGIBILITY: There are three classes of membership: Distinguished Life Members, Regular, and Honorary. Distinguished Life Members shall have achieved and maintained, throughout a long career, a distinguished international standing in metallurgy, metallurgical engineering, materials science, or materials engineering professions, through academic, research, or industrial activity. An Honorary Member shall have achieved exceptionally high standing in the metallurgy, metallurgical engineering, materials science, or materials engineering professions through academic, research, or industrial activity. A Regular Member shall be either an outstanding undergraduate or graduate student possessing the qualities of integrity, leadership, and initiative, at a recognized college or university in a pertinent curriculum, or a practicing scientist or engineer who has attained high stature in the field of metallurgical or materials engineering, through outstanding scholarly activity, research, or service to the profession. An undergraduate student shall be of junior or senior status, shall have completed at least nine credit hours or the equivalent, and shall have attended the approved college or university for at least two full quarters or one semester. An undergraduate student shall be in the cumulative upper one-third scholastically of all students working toward a degree in the curriculum. A graduate student shall have completed at least nine semester hours or equivalent at the graduate level and meet the above qualities. A practicing scientist shall be well-known and respected for contributions to metallurgy and/or materials.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Alpha Sigma Mu Lecture given at the Annual Meeting of the Society.

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Alpha Sigma Nu: General Scholarship - Jesuit Institutions of Higher Education

www.AlphaSigmaNu.org

PURPOSE: To honor students of Jesuit institutions of higher education who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty, and service; to encourage those so honored to understand, to appreciate, and to promote the ideals of Jesuit education.

ELIGIBILITY: Student membership is conferred on not more than four percent of the junior and senior class. Candidates must rank in the top fifteen percent of their class. Graduate students shall have completed one-half of the requirements for their degree at the time of

nomination. All must meet qualifications of service and loyalty to the Jesuit ideals of higher education. Chapters may confer a limited number of honor memberships.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The national organization funds four Annual Book Awards for the best scholarly books written by faculty or administrators in Jesuit institutions of higher education and annual scholarships at each institution. Each chapter is to a large degree autonomous and may undertake such activities that promote the intellectual, cultural, and service interests of its membership and the institution and that are appropriate to the aims and purpose of the Society. Some schedule special lectures or series; others participate in a special way in honors convocations; and still others prepare special reports for the institution president; and many sponsor tutorial and service programs.

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Beta Gamma Sigma: Business and Management

www.BetaGammaSigma.org

PURPOSE: The mission of Beta Gamma Sigma is to encourage and honor academic achievement and personal excellence in the study and practice of business.

ELIGIBILITY: Limited to those majoring in business and management at institutions accredited by AACSB International. The upper 10 percent of undergraduate students, the upper 20 percent of master's students, and doctoral students who have completed all requirements for that degree may be inducted. Undergraduates may be inducted as early as their junior year.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Beta Gamma Sigma provides scholarships for undergraduate and masters students. BGS provides leadership training and experience through the twice annual BGS Student leadership Forums. A major initiative of BGS is the Ethical Business Leadership project which will involve the collection and analysis of information about ethical business leadership and disseminating that information in useful ways.

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Beta Kappa Chi: Natural Sciences and Mathematics

www.BetaKappaChi.org

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Society shall be to encourage and advance scientific education through original investigation, the dissemination of scientific knowledge; and the stimulation of high scholarship in pure and applied science.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students are eligible for membership if they rank in the upper fifth of their class and have completed at least sixty-four semester hours of college work, seventeen semester hours of which shall be in one of the sciences recognized by Beta Kappa Chi with a grade average of at least B in the science area and a general college average of at least B; graduate students are eligible if they have completed at least fifteen semester hours in one of the sciences recognized by the Society with a grade average of A in at least one-third of the hours and at least B in the remaining two-thirds semester hours.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Publishes the Beta Kappa Chi Bulletin, two issues a year and a Booklet of Information; sponsors, stimulates, and encourages a variety of program activities through local chapters; conducts an annual national convention to transact Society business and for the presentation of reports on research conducted by undergraduate and graduate members.

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Beta Phi Mu: Library & Information Studies and Information Technology
www.Beta-Phi-Mu.org

PURPOSE: Recognition of superior academic achievement in library and information science; sponsorship of professional and scholarly projects.

ELIGIBILITY: Active membership is open to graduates of schools of library and information science with masters programs accredited by the American Library Association who have earned an academic average in their professional studies of at least 3.75 (where A=4.0) and are in the top 25% of their class. Each eligible candidate must also be recommended for election by the faculty of the candidate's school.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The Distinguished Service to Library Education Award, first given by Beta Phi Mu in 1954, has been, since 1956, an official award of the American Library Association. This is an annual award for which Beta Phi Mu supplies the honorarium. The society has developed scholarship programs for beginning students and for Beta Phi Mu members who wish to engage in continuing education and for foreign study. The society also provides Doctoral Dissertation grants. The Monograph publication is a major activity of the society. The national organization sponsors an annual initiation during the summer American Library Association Convention.

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Chi Epsilon: Civil Engineering
www.Chi-Epsilon.org

PURPOSE: To place a mark of distinction upon the student of civil engineering who exemplifies the four traits of the successful engineer, the cornerstones upon which Chi Epsilon is founded: scholarship, character, practicality, and sociability.

ELIGIBILITY: Only those students shall be eligible for active membership who have maintained an average grade in scholarship in the highest one-third of the class of those who are eligible for Chi Epsilon honors (namely those students duly registered in the civil engineering courses, or directly associated courses whose curricula have been approved, and who have completed at least one-half of the required work for their bachelor's degree--in essence, juniors and seniors).

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: It is the duty and function of Chi Epsilon chapters to help weave into the entire civil engineering profession a pattern of idealism and accomplishment. It is the responsibility of each chapter to support the ASCE Student Chapter, adopt service projects, and maintain areas of historic significance to civil engineers. Other chapter activities include offering encouragement to freshmen, maintaining close liaison with the faculty, and assisting the civil engineering department in its work. Each chapter occasionally selects an outstanding civil engineer to be a Chapter Honor Member of Chi Epsilon. At each biennial National Conclave usually one member is elevated to National Honor Member, by petition of the nominating chapter and election of the Supreme Council. This is the highest honor which Chi Epsilon can confer. It has been granted 56 times in the history of the organization.

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Chi Sigma Iota: Professional Counseling
www.CSI-net.org/

PURPOSE: To promote scholarship, research, professionalism, and excellence in counseling, and to recognize high attainment in the pursuit of academic and clinical excellence in the profession of counseling and counselor education.

ELIGIBILITY: Graduate students invited to membership must have a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale after completing at least one full academic term (or its equivalent in hours) of graduate preparation in counselor education and be recommended by the chapter as suited for such recognition. Professionals invited to membership must meet all the same requirements as student members including a 3.5 GPA or better on all graduate work and have their primary career identity as a professional counselor as evident, for example, by their highest degree being in counselor education and their professional license or certification as a counselor.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: There are a variety of activities related to service, leadership, and scholarship at chapter, regional, and international levels. The annual meeting is an occasion of leadership training, scholarly presentations, and awards for both members and chapters. CSI helps to sponsor ten (10) fellowships to assist emerging leaders to attend its annual meeting and the American Counseling Association conference. From among the ten fellows, two (2) are chosen as interns to work with CSI and leaders in the profession throughout the year. CSI publishes the Exemplar, its primary mechanism for reaching membership with professional topics as well as society news and announcements. The CSI website (csi-net.org) is designed to serve members, chapters, and leaders in the profession through its many downloadable features including all past issues of the Exemplar. Chapter leaders, for example, may request their membership database for mail merge and other purposes of the chapter anytime but it is sent to all chapters twice a year as well. Chapters also receive significant financial support for their activities through rebates for each of their active members. Over \$45,000 was distributed to active chapters in the past year. In addition, CSI pays up to half of the expenses for our Scholars, Academy of Leaders, and officers (past and present) to speak at CSI chapter initiations. All speakers donate their time to the Society.

Publication Endorsements: Lock, D. C, Myers, J. E. & Herr, E. L. (Editors) 2001). *The Handbook of Counseling*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications and West, J., Osborn, C., & Bubenzer, D. (2003) *Leaders and legacies: Contributions to the profession of counseling*. Philadelphia: Routledge. (Royalties go to CSI special projects)

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Delta Epsilon Sigma: General Scholarship in Colleges and Universities with a Catholic Tradition
DeltaEpsilonSigma.org

PURPOSE: The purposes of this Society shall be to recognize academic accomplishments, to foster scholarly activities, and to encourage a sense of intellectual community among its members.

ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible for membership in the Society, candidates must be persons who have a record of outstanding academic accomplishment, who have shown dedication to intellectual activity, and who have accepted their responsibility of service to others. Undergraduate students shall have completed at least fifty percent of the credit requirements for their baccalaureate degrees and rank not lower than the highest twenty percent of their class in scholarship. Graduate students shall have completed one-half of the credit requirements for their degree and shall have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent. Faculty, administrators, and staff members are eligible for election to membership upon recommendation of the local chapter. Alumni of an institution are eligible for election to membership if they have graduated cum laude or have fulfilled the general requirements of membership in some other manner.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Delta Epsilon Sigma Journal, Annual Scholarship and Fellowship Competition, National Undergraduate Writing Competition, Distinguished Lecturers Award, National Undergraduate Student Award.

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Delta Mu Delta: Business Administration

www.DeltaMuDelta.org

PURPOSE: To promote higher education in business; to recognize and reward superior scholastic accomplishment.

ELIGIBILITY: All Levels: Must be registered in the business program at a school with a Delta Mu Delta Chapter; must have completed one-half of the required degree course-work; must be in the top 20 percent of their class; must have 24 hours residency at the school.

Baccalaureate: Have a cumulative GPA of .25 above a "B" or better to comply with the above. **Graduate/Doctoral:** Have a cumulative GPA of .60 above a "B" or better to comply with the above. *(Some chapters may require higher standards.)*

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Delta Mu Delta annually awards 26 scholarships ranging in value from \$1,000 to \$2,000 plus up to 21 recognition awards of \$100 to business majors at member institutions. The National Chapter meets every two years to coordinate the activities of the Society. A newsletter is sent to members semi-annually. Local chapters hold at least two meetings per year and select their activities to enhance the learning experiences and professional opportunities for their members.

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Delta Sigma Rho - Tau Kappa Alpha Forensics

www.DSR-TKA.org

PURPOSE: To promote interest in and to award suitable recognition for excellence in forensics and original speaking; and to foster respect for and an appreciation of freedom of speech as a vital element of democracy.

ELIGIBILITY: Participation, as a student, at a high level of excellence, in at least two years of intercollegiate (or equivalent) forensics or original speaking activity, supervised by the faculty sponsor of a campus chapter or by qualified members of the forensics staff—unless the forensics or original speaking activity was commenced in the senior year as an undergraduate, in which case one year of such participation shall be acceptable. The student shall have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college prior to initiation, and shall rank in the upper thirty-five percent of his college class.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The society sponsors annual national and regional conferences at which students discuss and debate current vital national issues. A National Student Council involves undergraduate members in the operation of the society. The society publishes a journal, *Speaker and Gavel*, and has published a textbook, *Argumentation and Debate*. Annual awards are made to the Speaker of the Year, who exemplifies the characteristics of “effective, intelligent and responsible communication in a democracy,” to Distinguished Alumni and to the winners in the National Forensic League nationwide high school tournament.

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Delta Tau Alpha: Agriculture

www.fhsu.edu/agriculture/natdta

PURPOSE: To promote and recognize scholarship and leadership accomplishments of agricultural students while emphasizing character development, to enhance undergraduate preparation for professional positions, to join with other agricultural student organizations in the promotion of agriculture.

ELIGIBILITY: Active members must have completed at least nine semester hours, or its equivalent, in agricultural courses; must have completed at least forty five semester hours, or its equivalent, of college courses, rank not lower than the highest thirty-five percent of their class in general scholarship.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Each chapter plans its own activities including scholarships and recognition of academic achievements. An annual national convention is held each spring. During the convention, awards are presented to the best chapter, the outstanding teacher-advisor, and winner of an agricultural knowledge contest.

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Epsilon Pi Tau: Professions in Technology
www.EpsilonPiTau.org

PURPOSE: In service to the general education and career preparation academic fields and the professional practice areas of technology, Epsilon Pi Tau: (a) promotes and recognizes the achievement of academic excellence, (b) promotes the values and contributions of professionals in technology, (c) provides a medium for the professional development and recognition of individual members for leadership and achievement, (d) enhances the status of the practitioners and the professions in technology, (e) fosters and encourages the acceptance of the ideals of technological capability and skill, social and professional proficiency, and research and its applications and products; and (f) advances understanding, appreciation and awareness of technology as both an enduring and influential human endeavor and an integral element of culture.

ELIGIBILITY: Student membership is limited to those enrolled in approved technology programs and course sequences offered at accredited institutions that award associate, bachelors and graduate degrees. Students of good moral character will be eligible upon achieving the following academic rankings and grade point standards. Chapters may prescribe additional criteria such as evidence of leadership experiences that relate to the six Epsilon Pi Tau purposes in the preceding paragraph. (Grades used in the following statements are based on a 4 point system in which a grade of 4 or A is the highest and 1 or D is the lowest passing grade.) Associate degree students must have completed 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of credit in prescribed courses and have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of no less than 3.25 in major courses and rank not lower than the highest 35% of class in overall scholarship. Students in programs leading to a bachelors degree must be at least second semester or third quarter sophomores or juniors, or seniors who have completed or earned at least 30 semesters or 45 quarter credit hours in the major or relevant course sequence, achieved a GPA of no less than 3.25 in the major or a relevant course sequence and a 3.00 overall GPA and rank not lower than the highest 35% of undergraduates of the

same class level/year/term in the program or sequence. At least 16 semesters or 24 quarter credit hours in the major must have been earned. The preceding standards are appropriately adapted for students who transfer from other programs within the institution or whose transfer is based on an associate degree. Graduate students may be considered after completing at least 9 semester hours or 12 quarter hours with at least a 3.3 cumulative GPA with no incompletes in courses prescribed for their program. Faculty, academic support staff members and alumni of programs served by Epsilon Pi Tau are eligible for membership. Additionally, benefactors of these programs and persons exhibiting a general interest and knowledge of technology in the context of Epsilon Pi Tau ideals and purposes are eligible for membership upon recommendation and appropriate documentation of their accomplishments by recommending chapters.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Learning and leadership experiences are provided to members via chapter meetings, forums, and presentations, desirably co-sponsored with student chapters of professional/technical organizations representing industrial and business interests appropriate to the technology programs. Chapters administer awards programs that do not duplicate or take the place of the society's adopted citations. Distributing \$20,000 each year, The William Everett Warner Awards Program recognizes member students, and persons in professional practice for their projects, writing, and research and superior professional accomplishments. Awards are also extended to chapters to recognize their superior operations, programs, and services. The Paul T. Hiser Exemplary Publication Award of \$500.00 recognizes the author(s) of best article in the refereed *The Journal of Technology Studies* each year. The Epsilon Pi Tau International Convocation and Member Forum is a quadrennial meeting that offers participants internationally-known speakers, leadership workshops and participation in governance issues.

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Eta Kappa Nu: Electrical Engineering

www.HKN.org

PURPOSE: Eta Kappa Nu is a unique membership organization dedicated to encouraging and recognizing excellence in the electrical and computer engineering field. Members consist of students, alumni, and other professionals who have demonstrated exceptional academic and professional accomplishments. Members are especially attractive to employers and are recognized as extremely capable both technically and professionally.

ELIGIBILITY: A junior must be in the top quarter of his/her EE class; a senior in the top third. All must have acceptable character and show marked ability. There is no discrimination as to gender, race, creed, national origin or affiliation with other recognized societies. Those in the profession may become members on national approval. Engineers of exceedingly high attainment are made "Eminent Members."

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Members of college chapters help themselves and fellow students through departmental and campus activities, including collaboration with IEEE student branches to develop educational meetings, surveys of student opinion of EE faculty, encouragement of underclass scholarship, meetings at which cultural and civic subjects are discussed with people from other departments and industry, and social events with other honor societies. Although there is no regimentation, chapters are informed of possible activities through regular meetings and The Bridge. Nationally, several alumni chapters and individual alumni organize award programs: Outstanding EE Teacher, Outstanding Young Electrical Engineer, Outstanding Jr. & Sr. EE Students, and Outstanding Chapter.

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Gamma Theta Upsilon: Geography
www.GTUhonors.org

PURPOSE: To further professional interest, to strengthen student and professional training, to advance the status of geography as a cultural and practical discipline, to encourage student research, and to create and administer funds for furthering graduate study and/or research.

ELIGIBILITY: Initiates must have completed a minimum of 3 geography courses, have a GPA of at least 3.3 overall and in geography and shall have completed at least 3 semesters or 5 quarters of college course work.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Each chapter plans its own activities. An annual society business meeting is held each fall. Award certificates may be presented to outstanding students in each chapter. Five scholarships of \$500 each are given annually in national competition to a graduate, a senior (graduate-bound) and three undergraduates.

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Golden Key International Honour Society: All Academic Fields
www.GoldenKey.org

PURPOSE: The mission of Golden Key International Honour Society is to enable members to realize their potential.

VALUES: Our core values include integrity, collaboration, innovation, respect, diversity, excellence and engagement.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership shall be granted by the chapter to undergraduate and graduate students in all academic disciplines who are recognized by their academic institution as ranking at least among the top 15% of their class/year group based on cumulative grade performance, or a comparable alternate standard approved by the International Leadership Council.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Golden Key believes in rewarding its members for their academic, leadership and service excellence. To this end, the Society awards over \$400,000 (USD) annually through various scholarship programs available solely to its members. Most notably are the twelve (12) \$10,000 Graduate Scholar Awards. Awards are also available in disciplines such as business, engineering, arts, education, literature and research. The Society holds an international conference annually as well as regional conferences in Australia (Asia-Pacific region), Canada, South Africa and the United States.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES: Each chapter of Golden Key is encouraged to conduct activities that meet the needs of their local communities. These activities may include, but are not limited to, educational or academic events, volunteer and community service outreach, or partnership events with other organizations. This year our focus is on literacy-based service projects. Community service and public works are hallmarks of Golden Key. Through our chapters, Golden Key performs more than 60,000 hours of community service and public works annually.

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Kappa Delta Pi: Education
www.KDP.org

PURPOSE: To promote excellence in and recognize outstanding contributions to education.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students with no less than final-term sophomore standing, graduate students, all preparing to be certified to teach, with grade point indices in the upper fifth of the institution. Admission is also available to faculty and distinguished members of the teaching profession.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Local campus chapters provide professional programs and plan community service projects, field trips, and leadership training opportunities for members. The National Organization publishes the Kappa Delta Pi Record and The Educational Forum (scholarly journals), the New Teacher Advocate, the Kadelpian, and What Research Tells Us and Beginning to Teach (booklet series). Annual regional meetings and a biennial Convocation are held to conduct Society business and provide professional workshops. The Educational Foundation and local chapters distribute \$80,000 in scholarships annually.

National service projects and awards programs are sponsored collaboratively with national sponsors including the National Student Teacher/Intern of the Year, the AERA/KDP Researcher of the Year, the Kappa Delta Pi Annual Lecture, Reading is Fundamental, and Celebration of Teaching.

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Kappa Mu Epsilon: Mathematics

www.KappaMuEpsilon.org

PURPOSE: To further the interests of mathematics in those schools which place their primary emphasis on the undergraduate program; to recognize and honor outstanding scholastic achievement of undergraduate students in mathematics.

ELIGIBILITY: Active members must be or have been a faculty member or a regularly enrolled student at an institution which has a Kappa Mu Epsilon Chapter; must have completed at least three semesters (or five quarters) of college courses and rank in the upper thirty-five percent of his/her class; must have completed at least three college courses in mathematics including at least one semester (or two quarters) of calculus and attained an average of B or better in all mathematics courses.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The local chapters plan their programs for the regular meetings which provide opportunities for members to present papers and hear visiting lecturers. Local chapters often award scholarships and other awards. Student papers selected from those submitted by the chapters are presented at the national biennial convention and at regional meetings.

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Kappa Omicron Nu: Human Sciences

www.KON.org

PURPOSE: The mission of Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society is empowered leaders in scholarship, research, and leadership development. This mission will enhance the ability of the organization and chapters to prepare scholars and researchers as leaders for the 21st century. To accomplish this mission, the Society shall promote scholarship and encourage

intellectual development, promote research and foster the spirit of inquiry, confer distinction for high achievement, promote leadership development, stimulate student and faculty dialogue, enrich the intellectual environment of higher education institutions, encourage high standards of practice and ethical behavior, and promote attitudes of professional responsibility for the public good.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students shall have completed 45 semester hours or equivalent, have a minimum grade point average of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale, and rank in the top 25 percent of their class. Graduate students shall have completed 12 semester hours of graduate work or equivalent and have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: KON awards \$150-500 in scholar program grants to each chapter once each biennium. Fellowships and grants in excess of \$70,000 are awarded each biennium. Grants are awarded on the basis of research priorities. Chapter programming focuses on a national program theme and scholarly priorities, including undergraduate writing, ethics, mentoring, cultural diversity, leadership, and undergraduate research. Kappa Omicron Nu holds a biennial conclave. The Undergraduate Research Community for the Human Sciences (URC) is sponsored by Kappa Omicron Nu in partnership with four administrator groups and the following institutional founders: Michigan State University, Kansas State University, and University of Maryland-Eastern Shore. The URC hosts a biennial Undergraduate Research Conference and the Online Undergraduate Research Journal for the Human Sciences to include research manuscripts, research papers, and research reports (including creative projects) within a broad range of fields that could be classified as human sciences.

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Kappa Tau Alpha- Journalism and Mass Communication
www.KappaTauAlpha.org

PURPOSE: The recognition and encouragement of excellence in scholarship and professionalism in journalism and mass communication.

ELIGIBILITY: Juniors and seniors majoring in journalism or mass communication who rank in the upper 10 percent of their class based on overall grade point average, have at least a 3.0 GPA in upper-level journalism/mass communication courses, and have completed at least nine semester hours of professional courses in the major. Graduate students of superior achievement may also be selected. Membership is by invitation only through one of the Society's 91 campus chapters.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Annually awards \$1,000 to the winner of the Frank Luther Mott/Kappa Tau Alpha Award for best research-based book of the year in journalism/mass

communication. Presents annual awards to winners of AEJMC student research paper competitions.

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Lambda Iota Tau: Literature of all Languages

www.bsu.edu/english/undergraduate/LIT/

PURPOSE: To recognize and promote excellence in the study of literature in all languages.

ELIGIBILITY: Members are majors or minors in literature, no matter in what language that literature may be written, who are in the upper thirty-five percent of their class in cumulative grade average, have attained at least a full B average in at least twelve semester credit hours or eighteen term hours of literature and all prerequisites thereto, are enrolled in at least their fifth college semester or seventh college term, and have presented an initiation paper on a literary topic or of a creative nature. Graduate students must have completed one semester term with an A- average.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Its annual magazine, LIT, includes some of the best critical pieces and creative writing by its members. In addition to its journal, the society publishes a semi-annual Newsletter. Several publication prizes and scholarships are awarded each year. Chapters are encouraged to hold regular meetings and to sponsor events and activities which will bring the study of literature to the attention of the campus at large.

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Lambda Pi Eta: Communication

www.natcom.org/LambdaPiEta

PURPOSE: The purpose of Lambda Pi Eta is to recognize, foster, and reward outstanding scholastic achievement; to stimulate interest in the field of communication; to promote and encourage professional development among communication majors; to provide an opportunity to discuss and exchange ideas in the field of communication; and to establish and maintain close relationships and understanding between faculty and students.

ELIGIBILITY: Members must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA; have a 3.25 GPA in Communication courses; have 60 credit hours completed overall; have 12 credit hours completed in Communication courses; rank in the upper 35% of their class; be full-time students in good standing; display commitment to the field of Communication.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Annual Honors Conference; sponsorship of programs and panels at regional conferences; and the National Communication Association Annual Convention.

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Lambda Sigma: Student Leadership, Scholarship and Service
www.LambdaSigma.org

PURPOSE: To promote leadership, scholarship, fellowship, and service among second-year students. Lambda Sigma recognizes its ideals among members of the first year class and fosters development of these ideals. As members and active participants, Lambda Sigmas serve and promote the interests of their institutions and communities.

ELIGIBILITY: Candidates are first-year students who rank in the highest thirty-five percent of the freshman class of their college or university. Chapters set appropriate grade point requirements. Candidates shall have shown potential for leadership and service at their respective campuses.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Services differ with each campus chapter. Chapter programs involve cultural and self-development programs, ritual and business meetings, and appropriate campus and community fund-raising and service programs.

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Mortar Board: Scholarship, Leadership and Service
www.MortarBoard.org

PURPOSE: To facilitate cooperation among senior honor societies, to contribute to the self-awareness of our members, to promote equal opportunities among all peoples, to emphasize the advancement of the status of women, to support the ideals of the university, to advance a spirit of scholarship, to recognize and encourage leadership, to provide service and to establish the opportunity for a meaningful exchange of ideas as individuals and as a group.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership is based on scholarship, leadership and service with an emphasis on participation and giving back to the campus and community. Members must have junior status at their college or university and meet their chapter's grade requirement. Chapters are advised to select members ranked in the top 35 percent of the junior class or who have a 3.0 GPA (whichever is higher on the specified campus). Because of this, the GPA requirement varies slightly between schools. Each student selected to Mortar Board must agree to serve as an active member for at least one school term (semester or quarter, summers not included).

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Chapters represent scholarship, leadership, and service to their campus and hold events representing these ideals such as banquets to honor top professors and students, conferences to encourage and build leadership skills, and campus-wide charity events to benefit local causes. Each chapter is also encouraged to complete projects which contribute to the national Reading is Leading literacy initiative. In addition, chapter members celebrate Mortar Board Week each year the week of February 15 (Mortar Board's founding date) to educate their campus about Mortar Board and its heritage. Chapter members and alumni come together each July at the national conference to welcome new members and share in the traditions of Mortar Board.

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Mu Kappa Tau: Marketing
www.MuKappaTau.org

PURPOSE: Founded in 1966 by members of Pi Sigma Epsilon, the National Sales and Marketing Fraternity, Mu Kappa Tau membership is extended to marketing juniors and seniors as well as educators and professionals who have shown dedication and contribution to the marketing profession. Mu Kappa Tau exists to recognize academic excellence and to encourage individuals seeking a life-long commitment to an exceptional standard of ethics and achievement within the marketing milieu.

ELIGIBILITY: Mu Kappa Tau believes scholastic excellence should be a high priority for every marketing student and thus, works toward this end. Membership is open to the following students majoring in marketing who must have an overall cumulative grade point average of at least 3.25 on a 4.00 scale: juniors ranking in the top 10% of their class, seniors ranking in the top 20% of their class; graduate students who have completed 50% of their MS/MBA requirements; doctoral candidates completing their course work; faculty and professionals who have greatly contributed to enhancing the marketing profession. Universities have the choice of recognizing academic excellence in marketing through either National affiliation or local chapters.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Nationwide networking at an annual national convention; scholarships; opportunity to consult with corporations nationwide via a National Resume Book; semester honor dinners and other local activities.

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National Society of Collegiate Scholars: Scholarship, Leadership & Service
www.NSCS.org

PURPOSE: To offer membership to high-achieving first- and second-year college students for outstanding academic achievement. NSCS offers students more undergraduate scholarship dollars than any other honor society nationwide, as well as exclusive access to career resources, leadership and service opportunities. NSCS also provides students with a network of other members and alumni on their campus and across the country.

ELIGIBILITY: NSCS invites first- and second-year students who are ranked in the top 20 percent of their class and have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.4.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Chapters plan a yearly Induction Convocation program for new members and their families in addition to academic, leadership, social and community service activities for members throughout the year. The national office coordinates a National Leadership Summit and Convention, educational trips abroad, an internship program in China and several corporate and graduate school partnerships that benefit members. NSCS also has an online magazine, The Collegiate Scholar, which features member submissions. Since 2006, NSCS has hosted Integrity Week, a program that promotes integrity at all its chapters across the United States.

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Omega Chi Epsilon: Chemical Engineering
www.OmegaChiEpsilon.org

PURPOSE: To give recognition and to promote high scholarship, original investigation, and professional service in chemical engineering.

ELIGIBILITY: Active membership is limited to chemical engineering juniors, seniors, and graduate students. Juniors must have completed three hours of chemical engineering course

work and be in the upper one-fourth of their class. Seniors must be in the upper one-third of their class. Graduate students must have completed nine hours of chemical engineering courses. All those elected must have traits and characteristics of leadership that make them likely to succeed as professional engineers. Associate membership consists of professors or other members of the staff of the institution who have shown noteworthy achievement in chemical engineering.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The Society sponsors three awards in the AIChE National Student Paper Competition and four awards in the AIChE National Student Design Competition. Chapters sponsor various activities to meet local needs. These include promoting science and engineering fairs for high school students, conducting tutoring sessions, sponsoring graduate lectures and seminars, and conducting informal faculty-student discussions. The national meeting is held at the same time and place as the annual meeting of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.

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Omega Rho: Operations Research & Management Science

<http://www.informs.org/site/omegarho/>

PURPOSE: To encourage the study of operations research and management science related disciplines, to recognize and honor excellence in such studies, and to further professional interests.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduates must rank in the top twenty-five percent of the class and have completed at least five semesters or seven quarters of the curricular requirements. Graduate students must have at least a 3.5 average on a 4.0 scale in all graduate courses; shall have no failures- and shall have completed at least one-third of the residency requirements for the master's degree. Men and women in industry, academia, and the profession may be made Honorary Members upon approval of the Executive Committee of the Society. Faculty teaching in the field may be elected faculty members.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Each chapter plans its own activities. The Society sponsors the annual Omega Rho Distinguished Lecture as a plenary session at the fall INFORMS Meeting.

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Omicron Delta Epsilon Economics

www.OmicronDeltaEpsilon.org

PURPOSE: The objectives of Omicron Delta Epsilon are recognition of scholastic attainment and the honoring of outstanding achievements in economics; the establishment of closer ties between students and faculty in economics within colleges and universities and among colleges and universities; the publication of the official journal, The American Economist; the sponsoring of panels at professional meetings and the Irving Fisher and Frank W. Taussig competitions.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduates must have completed at least 12 hours of economics, have an overall scholastic average of B in economics and an overall average of B, and rank in the upper third of the class.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Publishes The American Economist twice yearly; conducts sessions at regional and national meetings; encourages local chapter activities; awards the Irving Fisher Graduate Monograph Award annually, the Frank W. Taussig Undergraduate Article Award annually, and the John R. Commons Award biennially to an internationally outstanding economist in recognition of his achievements for service both to the profession and to Omicron Delta Epsilon.

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Phi Alpha Theta: History

www.PhiAlphaTheta.org

PURPOSE: To recognize and encourage excellence in the study of history.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students must rank in the upper thirty-five percent of their class, must have had at least 12 semester hours in history (4 courses) with a GPA of at least 3.1 in History and 3.0 or better overall, and must have completed 3 semesters of college work. Graduate students must have completed at least 12 semester hours toward their Master's degree in History and have a GPA of better than 3.5. Faculty members above the rank of instructor who teach History qualify automatically for membership.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Publication of The Historian (a quarterly journal of history) and The News Letter (issued three times yearly). Approximately 40 annual regional meetings. Phi Alpha Theta luncheons at meetings of major national historical associations. Nine annual

scholarships (for student members entering graduate school or at doctoral level). An annual contest for papers on historical subjects with six prizes at both undergraduate and graduate student levels. Annual grants of two awards for the best first and subsequent books in history published by members. Six annual awards for the best chapter in each category of college enrollment. A grant for the publication of the best manuscript in the field of history submitted by a member during the current year. An annual grant for advanced work by a faculty advisor. Four prizes for student history journals. All relevant information and applications are available on our Web site below.

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Phi Eta Sigma: Freshman Scholarship

www.PhiEtaSigma.org

PURPOSE: To encourage and reward high scholastic attainment among freshmen in institutions of higher learning.

ELIGIBILITY: All freshmen who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or more at the end of any curricular period of their freshman year are automatically eligible for membership, provided they have carried a normal academic load acceptable toward a bachelor's degree and rank in the upper twenty percent of their class.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The Founders Scholarship Fund of Phi Eta Sigma is set up in trust in honor of the founders and distinguished members of the society. Income from this fund is used to grant one or more scholarships of up to \$10,000 for the first year of graduate or professional work, and thirty-two undergraduate endowed scholarships of up to \$5,000 and one or more \$1,000 awards for junior and senior members of Phi Eta Sigma. National publishes study pamphlets which are given free to chapters for distribution to all new students. National finances a national convention every two years, paying the expenses of the chapter delegates and chapter advisers; this convention is the governing body of the society. Three students elected at the convention serve on the National Executive Committee. The national Forum magazine is the official society publication.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES: Chapters engage in numerous activities of their own choosing designed to promote and recognize high scholarship as well as volunteer service and leadership to their campuses and communities. These include funding local scholarships, offering tutoring services, sponsoring faculty lectures, offering book and other awards, publishing scholarship information, inviting advanced placement high school students to campus, promoting academic honesty campaigns, nominating chapter members for national scholarships, and participating in numerous volunteer service projects.

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Phi Sigma: Biological Sciences, All Pure and Applied Fields
PhiSigmaSociety.org

PURPOSE: Devoted to the promotion of research and academic excellence in the biological sciences.

ELIGIBILITY: Students who are enrolled in an accredited college or university, who have shown research interest, and who have received an equivalent of at least two years of college credit of which at least one-fourth is in biological science, with a scholarship rating in the upper thirty-five percent of their class, shall be eligible for active membership. This minimum ACHS requirement is modified by chapter bylaws; at least a B average is expected together with other qualifications suitable to the local chapters, particularly for graduate students.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Each chapter plans its own programs with a wide variety of activities, ranging from the presentation of papers by the members and lectures by outside speakers to field trips, laboratory demonstrations, and projects. Biennial meetings are held at which delegates from each active chapter meet with the Council for the purpose of formulating policies and transacting all important business of the Society. The national organization annually cooperates with each school that maintains an active chapter in presenting award certificates to one outstanding undergraduate and one outstanding graduate student in any of the biological sciences, pure or applied. A number of chapters supplement these certificates with monetary awards.

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Phi Sigma Iota: Foreign Languages, Linguistics, Literatures, ESL., & Cultures
www.PhiSigmaIota.org

PURPOSE: The recognition of outstanding scholarship and attainment in foreign languages, linguistics, literatures, cultures, including the classics, philology, and comparative literatures; the stimulation of advanced work and individual research in any of these fields; promotion of international amity. We support efforts to define and apply the principles of academic ethics.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership is based on high scholastic attainment. At the time of election to membership, the undergraduate initiate must have attained to a B+ average or better across all language courses and be enrolled in a third- or fourth-year language course. Moreover, one must attain a minimum GPA of B over all attempted college work, and rank in the upper 35% of one's class in general scholarship at induction. As a rule, undergraduates are not elected to PSI prior to junior standing; however, sophomores of exceptional abilities who meet all stated minimal requirements, having completed at least three semesters (or five quarters) of college courses may be elected to membership. Graduate students studying one or more languages may also be elected to membership after one semester (or quarter) of graduate residence, provided that they shall have attained to a minimum B+ average in graduate studies.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: PSI awards several annual scholarships with stipenda ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 for students who are members and submit competitive scholarship applications. These include an essay of 1,500 words each in English and the language(s) of study. Students are strongly encouraged to complete by submitting articles to *The Forum of Phi Sigma Iota* for inclusion in the Society Newsletter.

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Phi Sigma Tau: Philosophy

<http://phi-sigma-tau.org/>

PURPOSE: To serve as a means of awarding distinction to students having high scholarship and personal interest in philosophy; to promote student interest in research and advanced study in this field; to provide opportunities for the publication of student research papers of merit; to encourage a professional spirit and friendship among those who have displayed marked ability in this field; to popularize interest in philosophy among the general collegiate public.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students are eligible for active membership if they have completed three semesters or five quarters of the college course, rank in the upper thirty-five percent of their class, and have completed at least two semester courses or three quarter courses in philosophy with an average grade of over the second highest grade of the working scale. Graduate students are eligible if they meet the requirements established for undergraduates, or if they have completed at least one-third of the residence requirements of the master's degree with a grade average of at least half on the highest grade of the working scale and half in the second highest grade.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Local chapters serve the schools in which they are functioning by promoting the longest ideals in philosophical education. Meetings involve student

presentation of papers, outside speakers, debates on philosophical issues, etc. Since 1955, the society has published twice yearly a journal Dialogue, devoted to student contributions.

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Phi Upsilon Omicron: Family and Consumer Sciences
phiu.unl.edu

PURPOSE: The purposes of Phi Upsilon Omicron are to: 1. Recognize and promote academic excellence; 2. Enhance qualities of leadership by providing opportunities for service; and 3. Encourage lifelong learning and commitment to advance family and consumer sciences and related areas.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership in Phi Upsilon Omicron is open to undergraduate students who have completed 40 semester hours, 60 quarter hours, or the equivalent, with a major in family and consumer sciences or one of its specialized areas in an institution where a chapter is established. Students must rank not lower than the highest 35% of their class in general scholarship within their unit. In addition to scholarship, membership eligibility is based on: a) potential professional and community leadership, and b) good character as exemplified by personal integrity and professional attitude. A graduate student in family and consumer sciences is eligible on completion of 12 semester hours, or its equivalent, in family and consumer sciences with a GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Scholarship: The Educational Foundation, supported by collegiate and alumni members, annually presents 27 scholarships and 7 awards to undergraduates, 9 graduate fellowships, and 2 advisor awards. Two outstanding alumni awards, an alumni research grant and another advisor award are awarded biennially. Leadership: Local collegiate and alumni chapters provide opportunities for leadership development and policy formation, as do the Conclave and district workshops. Service: Each chapter plans and implements a local service project. The outstanding projects are recognized at Conclave.

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Pi Alpha Alpha: Public Affairs and Administration
www.NASPAA.org

PURPOSE: The purposes of this Society shall be to encourage and recognize outstanding scholarship and accomplishment in public affairs and administration, to promote the advancement of education and practice in the art and science of public affairs and administration, and to foster integrity, professionalism and creative performance in the conduct of governmental and related public service activities.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership is limited to persons who demonstrate academic achievement in public affairs and administration programs in NASPAA member schools and/or outstanding public service, and who fall within the following classes: student, alumni, faculty, and honorary. All membership is national membership with local chapter affiliation. Candidates for undergraduate degrees who rank in the upper ten percent of their graduating class may be inducted provided that (a) they have completed 15 hours of course work required for the the public affairs or public administration major or its equivalent; (b) they have maintained an average of 3.5 on a scale of 4.0 in all courses included in the major and at least a 3.0 in all other course work; (c) they have met the requirements of (a) and (b) above and are in at least the last semester or quarter of their junior year. Candidate for master's degree who have maintained a GPA of at least 3.7 and have completed at least fifty percent (50%) of the required course work (a minimum of 18 semester hours or 27 quarter hours) are eligible to be inducted into Pi Alpha Alpha.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Each chapter plans its own programs and activities. Biennial meetings are held in conjunction with the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration Annual Conference. During this meeting, a distinguished person of national stature, who has made outstanding contributions to the profession, is nominated by the National Council for honorary membership in the Society. The national office maintains communication with chapters, prepares certificates, publishes a chapter roster, and annual report. PAA also sponsors two annual awards for the “Best Student Manuscript in Public Administration,” one for masters and one for doctoral students.

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Pi Delta Phi – French
www.PiDeltaPhi.org

PURPOSE: To recognize outstanding scholarship in the French language and its literatures; to increase knowledge and appreciation of Americans for the cultural contributions of the French-speaking world; to stimulate and to encourage French and francophone cultural activities.

ELIGIBILITY: There are two classes of membership. **Regular members** include undergraduate (of at least sophomore standing) and graduate students who shall be

nominated in recognition of their academic achievement in at least one semester or quarter of upper division French (i.e. beyond the intermediate level), with a minimum G.P.A. of 2.8 overall, a minimum G.P.A. of 3.00 in French, and rank in the top thirty-five percent of their class. **Honorary members** include: the French faculty of the sponsoring institution who are not already members of Pi Delta Phi, members of the faculty at large, students who do not meet the requirements for regular membership, college or university alumni who did not meet the requirements of regular membership while attending the sponsoring institution, and diplomats and community or business leaders who have demonstrated strong support of French language, Francophone cultures and world literature in French.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: On a national level, the Society awards scholarships for summer study abroad. On the local level, each chapter develops and sponsors activities that promote interest in French language, Francophone cultures, and world literature in French, either in the academic milieu or in the community.

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Pi Gamma Mu – Social Sciences

www.PiGammaMu.org

PURPOSE: The purpose of Pi Gamma Mu is to encourage the study of the social sciences among graduate and undergraduate students and faculty members in colleges and universities throughout the world, and to recognize outstanding achievement through election to membership and the presentation of various awards for distinguished achievement.

ELIGIBILITY: Any person of good moral character may be invited or may petition to join an active chapter of Pi Gamma Mu when he/she is a junior, senior, or graduate student; is in the upper 35 percent of the class; has at least 20 semester hours of social science; and has a grade average of B or better. Faculty and administrators may also accept the privileges and responsibilities of membership in a collegiate chapter.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The Society holds international conventions and regional meetings. Many individual chapters have extensive programs and projects. Pi Gamma Mu provides honoraria for distinguished guest lecturers who give addresses on the campuses where Pi Gamma Mu chapters are chartered. The Society also operates a program of scholarships by which outstanding students can continue their study of the social sciences in graduate schools. Pi Gamma Mu is affiliated with the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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Pi Kappa Lambda – Music
PiKappaLambda.capital.edu

PURPOSE: To provide an organization dedicated to the furtherance of music in education and education in music in colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher learning which offer programs in music instruction in one or more fields; and to recognize and encourage scholarship and musicianship.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership in the Society is open to music majors who are juniors, seniors, or graduate students; and to faculty in accordance with established restrictions. A graduating senior must be considered by the faculty committee of the chapter to be outstanding in scholarly achievement and musicianship, must have been in residence the equivalent of at least four semesters prior to graduation, and must rank not lower than the highest twenty percent of the graduating class (including students elected in the junior year) as determined by GPA or by class rank when no grades are assigned. A junior must rank not lower than the highest ten percent of the junior class. A graduate student must have no less than two thirds of his graduate credit hours as A or the equivalent when letter grades are nonexistent.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Pi Kappa Lambda publishes a newsletter twice a year. National conventions are held in alternate years. The Board of Regents commissions a new composition biennially.

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Pi Omega Pi – Business Education
info1.nwmissouri.edu/~oisbe/PiOmegaPi

PURPOSE: To create and encourage interest and promote scholarship in business education. To foster high ethical standards in business and professional life among teachers. To encourage civic responsibility. To create a fellowship among teachers of business subjects. To teach the ideal of service as the basis of all worthy enterprise.

ELIGIBILITY: Each candidate must be enrolled in a business teacher education curriculum and must have expressed an intention of becoming a teacher of business subjects. Candidates

must possess the following qualifications: Completion of at least three semesters or five quarters of college courses including at least fifteen semester hours or twenty-two quarter hours in business and/or education subjects; Attainment of general scholarship sufficient to place them within the upper thirty-five percent of their college class (sophomore, junior, senior, graduate) and the achievement of an average grade of B or higher, or its equivalent in other grading systems, in all courses in business and/or education.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The Society publishes a newsletter on the Internet, Here and There, dealing with activities in various chapters four times a year. Each year the National Council selects ten chapters for special recognition; the first place chapter is presented a plaque and has its name inscribed on a traveling trophy; the remaining nine chapters receive certificates signed by the National Council. A national convention is held biennially to conduct Society business. An information brochure, This Is Your Society, is published biennially. Fifty-year chapters receive Golden Awards and sponsors in service five or more years receive Distinguished Service Awards.

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Pi Sigma Alpha – Political Science
www.PiSigmaAlpha.org

PURPOSE: To stimulate productive scholarship and intelligent interest in the subject of government among students at institutions of higher learning in which chapters are maintained.

ELIGIBILITY: Juniors, seniors, and graduate students are eligible for membership if they meet the following qualifications. For undergraduates: completion of 15 quarter hours or 10 semester hours of work in government, political science, international relations, or public administration, including at least 1 course not open to students in the first 2 years of collegiate work; maintenance of an average of B or higher in all government, political science, international relations, and public administration courses, and the maintenance of general scholarship sufficient to place them within the upper third of their class. For graduate students: completion of at least 9 *graduate* credit hours of work in those fields with an average grade of B or higher; and fulfillment of such additional academic requirements as may have been prescribed by the local chapter. Any member of the faculty of the department of political science or government at any institution at which a local chapter is located may be elected as a member by any local chapter or by the national convention. Membership in the Society may be secured through election as an honorary member. Only distinguished persons who have made valuable contributions to political science or government are eligible

for election into honorary membership. Each chapter may elect no more than 2 persons in a year for this class of membership.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Interchange of ideas and information regarding political science and chapter activities through circulation of a semi-annual Newsletter; Biennial national convention to transact Society business and consider matters within the field of the Society's activities; Intellectual activity through sponsorship of speakers, forums, conferences, chapter awards and grants, graduate scholarships, best student papers, chapter adviser recognition awards, and best chapters.

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Pi Tau Sigma – Mechanical Engineering
www.PiTauSigma.net

PURPOSE: To encourage and recognize outstanding achievement of undergraduate students in mechanical engineering also to honor practicing engineers for distinguished technical attainments.

ELIGIBILITY: Membership is limited to senior mechanical engineering students who rank among the highest thirty-five percent in scholarship for all courses to date of election and to juniors who rank in the highest twenty-five percent of their class. Many chapters elect less than these percentages. Faculty and graduates may be chosen on the basis of distinguished engineering endeavor.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: One of the main ideas is the cooperation between faculty and students in mechanical engineering and the mutual cooperation of the faculty of mechanical engineering among the various schools. The activities of the chapter are adapted to their respective schools. Pi Tau Sigma awards for the Outstanding Young Mechanical Engineer and for two Outstanding Mechanical Engineers are made at the winter meeting of the A.S.M.E.

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Pi Theta Epsilon – Occupational Therapy
www.PiThetaEpsilon.org

PURPOSE: To recognize and encourage scholastic excellence of occupational therapy students. To contribute to the advancement of the field of occupational therapy through the scholarly activities of students and alumni, and provide a vehicle for students to exchange information and to collaborate regarding scholarly activities.

ELIGIBILITY: A student shall be invited to apply for membership in PTE if she or he meets the following eligibility requirements: Is enrolled in an accredited and/or professional occupational therapy program and has attained second semester junior standing in the OT program or completed 9 semester hours in a Master's program. The student must be among the top 35% of the class and must have at least one entire semester remaining before she or he leaves for a fieldwork placement. Part time students are eligible if they have completed the minimum number of credit hours giving them second semester junior status or completed 9 hours in a Master's program. GPA's for part-time students shall be figured separately for each student. A candidate must also present 2 of the following items: Membership in a professional organization; prior scholastic recognition and awards; evidence that papers have been submitted and/or accepted to local or national meetings and publications; and documented leadership, e.g., service organizations or community activities during the college years. Candidates will be nominated and reviewed by a Review Board comprised of the current PTE Chapter President, the advisor and 2 alumni members. Election shall be by a majority vote of the chapter. Pi Theta Epsilon does not discriminate against any prospective member on the basis of race, gender, religion, ethnicity, disability, or age.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Each chapter plans its own activities. The National organization hosts an annual meeting, funds an annual research award, and distributes a quarterly newsletter to members.

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Psi Beta Psychology at Two-Year Colleges
www.PsiBeta.org

PURPOSE: To encourage, stimulate, promote and recognize interest and excellence in psychology, to advance the science of psychology, and to nurture scholarship in all fields of study. The mission of Psi Beta honor society is professional development of psychology students at two-year colleges through promotion and recognition of excellence in scholarship, leadership, research, and community service.

ELIGIBILITY: Students who are enrolled at an accredited two-year college with a Psi Beta Chapter, rank in the top 35% of students enrolled in a degree or transfer program or have an overall 3.0 GPA (whichever is higher), have at least a B average in at least one semester of psychology, and have completed 12 semester hours overall are eligible. Candidates for membership must have demonstrated a genuine interest in psychology and high standards of personal behavior and integrity. Final election must be approved by three-fourths affirmative vote of members present at a regular chapter meeting or the faculty advisor. The local chapter may establish higher academic requirements.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The local chapters plan educational and community service activities. The national organization sponsors programs at regional and national psychological conventions, including a summer institute and mentoring program for ethnic minority students. The National Council meets annually. Psi Beta offers annual awards for research papers, an outstanding faculty advisor, an outstanding chapter, a college life project, and community service. Grants are offered to ethnic minority students for participation in the summer institute.

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Psi Chi – Psychology
www.PsiChi.org

PURPOSE: To encourage, stimulate, and maintain scholarship of the individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology.

ELIGIBILITY: For active student membership, the student must be enrolled in an accredited college or university that has a Psi Chi chapter in good standing and must have completed 9 semester hours or 14 quarter hours of psychology and at least 3 semesters or 5 quarters of the college course. He or she must be registered for major or minor standing in psychology or for a program psychological in nature which is equivalent to such standing. Undergraduate students must rank not lower than the highest thirty-five percent of their class in general scholarship and have a minimum overall GPA and a psychology GPA of 3.0; graduate students must have at least an average grade of B in all graduate courses. All must have high standards of personal behavior and the vote of two-thirds of those present at a regular meeting of the chapter.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The National Society holds annual national conventions and six annual regional conventions that feature student paper and poster sessions, distinguished lecturers, and a variety of symposia and workshops; sponsors seventeen award and grant programs that include undergraduate and graduate research awards, undergraduate and faculty advisor research grants, summer research opportunities, chapter and advisor awards, conference grants, and website awards; publishes the quarterly magazine Eye on Psi Chi and the

quarterly Psi Chi Journal of Undergraduate Research; administers a comprehensive website that offers national society news, publications and forms, member and chapter information, new member registration, and a merchandise store; and sponsors national service projects. Self-governing local chapters, operating under the auspices of the National Society, sponsor a variety of programs that promote research, educational enrichment, career advancement and planning, service to others, and social interaction. The National Council meets twice a year.

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Rho Chi – Pharmacy

www.RhoChi.org

PURPOSE: The Rho Chi Society encourages and recognizes excellence in intellectual achievement and advocates critical inquiry in all aspects of pharmacy. The Society further encourages high standards of conduct and character and fosters fellowship among its members. The Society seeks universal recognition of its members as lifelong intellectual leaders in pharmacy, and as a community of scholars, to instill the desire to pursue intellectual excellence and critical inquiry to advance the profession.

ELIGIBILITY: The student who is elected to active membership is one who has displayed academic excellence, a capacity for achievement in the science and art of pharmacy and the allied sciences, and strength of character. Students ranking in the highest twenty percent of their class, having attained a minimum professional grade point average equivalent of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, are eligible for election after having completed one-half of the required professional didactic course work as defined for the degree granted by their school or college of pharmacy. Deans, or their designees, must certify that candidates are eligible and have no known disciplinary action for academic reasons or for unprofessional conduct. The Society also provides active membership opportunities for nontraditional professional students, graduate students, and faculty. Associate and honorary memberships are also available.

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Sigma Beta Delta – Business, Management, and Administration

www.SigmaBetaDelta.org

PURPOSE: The purpose of Sigma Beta Delta is to promote higher scholarship in business and to recognize and reward scholastic achievement in business and economic subjects.

ELIGIBILITY: Candidates for bachelor's and master's degrees who rank in the upper 20% of their class at the time of invitation to membership may be inducted into membership following completion of at least one half of the degree program in which they enrolled. Undergraduates may be inducted as early as their junior year. Doctoral students who have completed all requirements for that degree may be inducted without restriction as to number. Sigma Beta Delta chapters are established in U.S. colleges and universities that grant the associate, baccalaureate, or higher degrees and that are accredited by one of the regional accrediting agencies. The society allows for the establishment of chapters at non-U.S. institutions provided they meet and maintain standards and requirements with regard to mission and quality.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Sigma Beta Delta annually awards fellowships to undergraduate and master's students.

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Sigma Delta Pi – Spanish
www.SigmaDeltaPi.org

PURPOSE: To honor those who attain excellence in the study of the Spanish language and in the study of the literature and culture of the Spanish-speaking peoples; to honor those who have made Hispanic contributions to modern culture better known in the English-speaking world; to encourage college and university students to acquire a greater interest in, and a deeper understanding of, Hispanic culture; and to foster friendly relations and mutual respect between the nations of Hispanic speech and those of English speech.

ELIGIBILITY: Student membership, undergraduate and graduate, is based on scholastic attainment, character, and a genuine interest in things Hispanic. Honorary membership is granted non-students under conditions specified in the By-Laws, and membership in the Orders of Don Quixote and Los Descubridores recognizes exceptional and meritorious service in the fields of Hispanic scholarship, the teaching of Spanish, and the promotion of friendly relations between English-speaking countries and those of Hispanic speech. Undergraduate candidates must have completed eighteen semester credit hours of college-level Spanish or the equivalent thereof, have at least three semester hours of a course in Hispanic literature or Hispanic culture and civilization, have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college work, have a minimal grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in all Spanish courses, and rank in the upper 35% of the class.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The Society offers a scholarship program which provides study opportunities in Bolivia, Ecuador, Mexico, Peru and Spain to its student members. The total

number of awards differs from year to year. The scholarship program is supported by the following: the Universidad Internacional/Center for Bilingual/Multicultural Studies, Mexico; Estudio Internacional Sampere (Ecuador and Spain); the Academia Latinoamericana.

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Sigma Lambda Alpha – Landscape Architecture

PURPOSE: To encourage, recognize, and reward academic excellence in preparation for the profession of landscape architecture. The society elects, in addition, those who have achieved professionally. Honorary and Distinguished Memberships; students, faculty/staff, and professionals are recognized. Leadership and sound character are emphasized. Preserving the valuable traditions and customs consonant with the wise husbandry of the land are sought, and a spirit of amiability is fostered among those of marked ability in this discipline.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduates, preferably juniors, and seniors of sound character, with a 3.2 GPA on a four-point scale are eligible. Graduate students who have completed at least one-third of the degree credit requirements with a 3.5 GPA on the same point-scale and rank in the upper 35% of their class are eligible, both MLA and doctoral candidates.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: SLA and its members are obligated to nourish, recognize, and reward scholarship in all ways possible. Collegiate chapter activities that serve that end are stressed. Service to the school, the program, and all students in it, is encouraged. Promoting the high ideals in professional education and assisting the worthy endeavors of landscape architecture are required; social functions are incidental. The chapters sponsor lectureships, tutorials, seminars, design competitions, and exhibits of student projects. A national scholarship of \$1000 is given annually to a graduate and an undergraduate member; \$500 travel grants are awarded annually.

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Sigma Lambda Chi – Construction Management Technology

www2.tech.purdue.edu/bcm/resources/SLCintl/
<http://www.slc-intl.org/>

PURPOSE: The purpose of Sigma Lambda Chi is to recognize outstanding students in construction. Objectives include the rendering of service to the field of construction, the

development of good relations among academia, industry, and the public, and the recognition of outstanding professionals in construction and allied fields.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students shall have completed the equivalent of two academic years of study toward their degree, shall have done resident study at the present institution for the preceding six months, and shall have an overall scholastic average in the upper 20% of qualified students in their program. Graduate and post-baccalaureate students shall have completed the equivalent of one half of fulltime study toward their graduate degree, shall have done resident study at the present institution for the preceding six months, and shall have an overall scholastic average in the upper 30% of qualified graduate students within their program.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: An international convention is held annually in conjunction with the Associated Schools of Construction national conference. Major chapter activities include service projects for the school and the community, sponsoring local scholarships and awards banquets, promoting construction industry awareness, fund raising, and providing outstanding student, faculty, and constructor recognition.

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Sigma Pi Sigma – Physics
www.SigmaPiSigma.org

PURPOSE: Sigma Pi Sigma exists to *honor* outstanding scholarship in physics; to *encourage* interest in physics among students at all levels; to promote an attitude of *service* of its members towards their fellow students, colleagues, and the public; to provide a *fellowship* of persons who have excelled in physics.

ELIGIBILITY: Student membership, both undergraduate and graduate, is restricted to those who have attained standards of high scholarship in at least three semester courses (or five quarter courses) of at least three hours each that count toward the physics major, professional interest and merit, and scholastic proficiency or distinction. Faculty members and professional scientists in physics and closely related sciences may also be elected. Undergraduate membership is restricted to those in the upper thirty-three percent of their class.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Sigma Pi Sigma is an honor society existing within the Society of Physics Students. Members are expected to be active in SPS throughout the year with special emphasis on the promotion of extracurricular activities of the physics department. Regular SPS meetings provide an opportunity for members to present technical papers, hear visiting

speakers. Twenty \$1,000 SPS Scholarships are available to members for the final year of study for the baccalaureate degree.

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Sigma Tau Delta – English

www.English.org

PURPOSE: To confer distinction for high achievement in undergraduate, graduate, and professional studies in English language and literature; to provide cultural stimulation on college campuses; to furnish community interest within English departments; and to encourage creative and critical writing.

ELIGIBILITY: Candidates for **undergraduate membership** must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college work and a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. They must also have a minimum of a B or equivalent grade point average in English, and rank at least in the highest 35 percent of their class in general scholarship. Candidates for **graduate membership** must be enrolled in a graduate program in English, or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Publication of *The Rectangle* (an annual literary journal of non-fiction, fiction, and poetry) and *The Sigma Tau Delta Review* (an annual journal of critical essays on literature, essays on rhetoric and composition, and essays devoted to pedagogical issues), and the biannual publication of The Newsletter; awarding of writing awards of up to \$500 (creative writing, poetry, critical writing, short story); holding an annual convention and several regional conferences; providing annual scholarships and awards of up to \$4000 each and Outstanding Chapter awards of up to \$350 each; allocating chapter project grants of up to \$300 each.

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Sigma Theta Tau – Nursing

www.NursingSociety.org

PURPOSE: To recognize superior achievement; to recognize the development of leadership qualities; to foster high professional standards; to encourage creative work; to strengthen commitment on the part of individuals to the ideals and purposes of the profession.

ELIGIBILITY: Candidates for membership shall have demonstrated superior scholastic achievement and evidence of professional leadership potential. Undergraduate members are selected from junior and senior students in basic professional programs in nursing. Undergraduate membership is restricted to the upper 35% of a class. Nurses matriculated for graduate study and faculty members of the educational unit may also be selected. In addition, nurses who have received a baccalaureate or higher degree and have shown marked achievement in the field of nursing are eligible for election.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: The society awards research grants to nurses engaged in nursing research; publishes Journal of Nursing Scholarship and news magazine Reflections on Nursing Leadership four times a year and publishes books on nursing topics; administers the services of the Virginia Henderson International Electronic Library which includes the Registry of Nursing Research; holds biennial conventions; conducts research conferences; hosts Leadership Academy; offers online education and career advice; has established program of philanthropic opportunities; conducts global think tanks on issues germane to health and nursing care; supports global and regional awards program; develops multinational partnerships and coalitions; and has built the International Center for Nursing Scholarship. Local chapters fund grants, research and scholarships; initiate projects that contribute to their community; sponsor programs of significance to the profession; and participate in other campus activities.

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Tau Alpha Pi – Engineering Technology

www.TauAlphaPi.org

PURPOSE: To provide recognition for a high standard of scholarship among students in engineering technology programs: to promote and encourage scholastic achievement by offering membership to outstanding students; and to engender certain desirable qualities of personality, intellect, and character among its members.

ELIGIBILITY: The scholastic requirements and standards for membership in Tau Alpha Pi are set by each Affiliate Chapter such that prospective members are academically in the upper twenty-five percent of their class. Each prospective member must have maintained the

required academic standards for a period equivalent to two consecutive school terms (quarters or semesters) for two-year programs, and at least three semesters or five quarters for four-year programs. Candidate members shall be elected by the Affiliate Chapters with due consideration given to the purpose of Tau Alpha Pi: namely, to provide recognition for the highest standard of scholastic achievement and the most outstanding scholastic accomplishments. Each candidate must have acceptable character and demonstrate marked ability.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Chapters tend to be very active in tutoring activities in their local community and at their host institutions. Chapters have also been involved in grant writing and fund-raising to provide equipment for their institutions. All activities must conform to the basic tenets of Tau Alpha Pi remain active, conduct membership initiations, participate in and contribute to the academic community, and inspire students to achieve scholarly excellence. Over 850 members are inducted annually.

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Tau Beta Pi – Engineering

www.TBP.org

PURPOSE: To mark in a fitting manner those who have conferred honor upon their alma mater by distinguished scholarship and exemplary character as undergraduates in engineering, or by their attainments as alumni in the field of engineering, and to foster a spirit of liberal culture in engineering colleges

ELIGIBILITY: The students of engineering whose scholarship places them in the highest one-eighth of the junior class or in the highest one-fifth of the senior class are further considered for membership on the basis of character, integrity, breadth of interest, and unselfish activities.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Since establishment of the annual fellowship program in 1929, 885 students have been given stipends exceeding \$4,975,000, and the program won the ASEE's 2009 excellence in engineering education collaboration award. The educational loan program has allowed more than 1,772 students to borrow nearly \$840,000 from the Association since 1932. The national scholarship program has provided awards of \$1,716,000 to 858 students since 1998. The engineering futures program to advance the non-technical skills of students won the ASEE's 2007 excellence in engineering education collaboration award. The K-12 MindSET program began training K-12 teachers in 2008. The quarterly publication, THE BENT, reaches 88,000 members, deans, and libraries.

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Theta Alpha Kappa – Religious Studies / Theology

www.ThetaAlphaKappa.net

PURPOSE: TAK exists to encourage, recognize, and maintain excellence in Religious and/or Theological Studies within baccalaureate and post-baccalaureate degree programs, and also within the academic profession of these studies more broadly understood.

ELIGIBILITY: Undergraduate students matriculated in institutions with a TAK chapter must have completed at least three semesters (five quarters) at that institution and at least twelve semester credits (eighteen quarter credits) in courses representing these disciplines; have attained a GPA of at least 3.5 (or B+) in such courses and a 3.0 (B) in their total program; and been ranked (if appropriate) in the upper 35% of their class. Graduate students must have completed at least one half of the residency requirements for their current degree program at a qualified, chartered institution, and attained at least a GPA of 3.5 (B+) in that work. Honorary members (faculty and others) must meet other requirements specified in the constitution of 1998.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Most of TAK's activities are carried on by its local chapters, but TAK's national Board of Directors sponsors a number of programs and prizes—especially in relation to its journal, the Journal of Theta Alpha Kappa; the Graduate Fellowship Award; the Kathleen Connolly-Weinert Leader of the Year award, and the Undergraduate Achievement Award. TAK also sponsors an Annual Meeting open to all members.

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Upsilon Pi Epsilon Computing and Information Disciplines

www.acm.org/upe/

PURPOSE: To recognize academic excellence in the computing and information disciplines.

ELIGIBILITY: Students must be majoring in an area that is related to the computing and information disciplines. Undergraduates must possess a 3.25 GPA overall and in the major and must have completed at least 48 units of credit and rank in the upper third of their class. A graduate student must be in the upper third of his/her class and must have 15 or more units

of graduate credit in computing. Faculty must have taught in the field of computing for at least one year in order to be considered for membership by the local chapter.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES: Upsilon Pi Epsilon awards scholarships to active members; co-sponsors (with the Association of Computing Machinery) the International Scholastic Programming Contest; is an ISEF sponsor; and holds one convention per year.

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