Alpha Kappa Delta News

Fall 2014

Greetings from the Executive Office!

The Executive Office sends this bi-annual newsletter to keep you informed of current AKD news, programs, and policies. We will continue to send out detailed newsletters to you more frequently via e-mail (please check your spam folder to make sure our important news reaches you). Remember, you may always find all of the information in our newsletters online at www.alphakappadelta.org.

New Mentorship Program

The main goal to this program is to provide an opportunity for all AKD members, both students and faculty, to connect and network with other AKD members and professionals in the field. The inaugural program will be held at the 2015 Eastern Sociological Society annual meeting in NYC. Members may submit applications to be a mentor or mentee. Please visit our website for more information, requirements, and applications.

Logo Policy

A new logo policy was put into place at the 2014 Council meeting. Policy: Chapters may use the AKD logo for induction ceremony materials (i.e. programs) and in official communications (i.e. application materials). Chapters wishing to use the logo for other purposes must do so in good faith and receive written consent from the AKD Executive Office. Chapters send in a picture of the final product. Please let us know if you have any questions.

2015 Renewals

According to AKD's Bylaws, all Chapter Representatives must be Voting members of the Society. Be sure to complete the "*AKD Voting Membership Renewal Form*" (located on our website). The fee is $40. Please note, our office cannot process any orders without this renewal for the 2015 year. Renewals run on a calendar year and are due in January; however, feel free to send your renewal during the fall to ensure you will be active for the 2015 year and so your membership and/or merchandise orders will not be delayed. Contact our office should you have any questions.

Funding Changes

Due to the continued increase in the amount of funding requests the past few years, Council has approved new funding requirements for the 2014-2015 year.

* **Student and Chapter Representative Travel**
  - Meals will be subject to a maximum payment consistent with Council reimbursement rates: Breakfast: $14/Lunch: $18/Dinner: $26
* **Symposium Funding**
  - New application and name: Sociological Research Symposium Grant

You may view a list of all our funding programs with eligibility requirements and guidelines on our website.

Placing Orders for New Memberships and/or Merchandise

ACTIVE STATUS

To place an order for new members and/or merchandise, chapters must be active. This includes:

1. The Chapter Representative has paid his/her 2014/2015 membership dues
2. The Executive Office has the chapter's EIN IRS Confirmation Letter and SS-4 Form on file

FORMS NEEDED

We will need the "*AKD Order Form*" and "*AKD List of Initiates Form*" (if inducting new members). Please include the date of induction as it is printed on each certificate.

PAYMENT

We accept institutional checks, checks cut from chapter's bank accounts, money orders, or a single check cut from the faculty chapter representative's personal account. We cannot accept credit cards. Please do not send cash.

MAILING AND DELIVERY

Membership Certificates and Cards

These can take up to **2-4 weeks** to be processed and sent out from the time our office receives the order. Our suggestion is to send in the order **at least a month before your induction ceremony.**

Merchandise

This is sent directly from our office; therefore, it should arrive via USPS within 5-7 days upon receiving the order. You may pay extra for priority and express shipping—contact the office for prices.

Mark your calendar!

2014-2015 Deadlines

OCTOBER 5—FALL FUNDING DEADLINE

- Student Member Research Travel Grant — Up to $400/student, but no more than $1,200 per chapter may be awarded
- Chapter Representative Research Supplement Travel Grant — Up to $250 may be awarded to Voting chapter representatives accompanying students presenting at a regional sociology meeting
- Initiation Speaker Grant — Up to $500 may be awarded to chapters
- Symposium — Up to $1,000 may be awarded to chapters (note new guidelines on the website)

OCTOBER 5 — FELLOWSHIP APP. FOR AKD TEACHING AND LEARNING WORKSHOP AT ABS MEETING DUE

The purpose of this program is to advance the quality of teaching in the discipline of sociology.
Up to $500 will be awarded to five applicants to help offset travel expenses

OCTOBER 15—AMENDMENT ELECTION DEADLINE (ballot sent electronically)

JANUARY—CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVE RENEWALS DUE FOR 2015 YEAR

Other options: You may send this in the fall at any time or in the spring with your student membership order.

JANUARY 1—*NEW PROGRAM* ESS MENTORSIP PROGRAM APPLICATIONS DUE

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JANUARY 31—WINTER FUNDING DEADLINE (ALL ESS TRAVEL GRANTS DUE BY THIS DATE)

(Travel Grant applications for other regional meetings are due by February 28)

(Student & Chapter Rep. Travel Grant, Speaker Grant, Symposium)

FEBRUARY 28—FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION FOR AKD T&L WORKSHOP AT MSS & PSA MEETING DUE

Up to $500 for each workshop will be awarded to five applicants to help offset travel expenses

FEBRUARY 28—SPRING FUNDING DEADLINE (Student & Chapter Rep. Travel Grant, Speaker Grant, Symposium)

MARCH 1—STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

Undergraduate and graduate AKD members are encouraged to submit their papers for a chance to win a cash prize and up to $1,000 in travel reimbursement to attend the ASA annual meeting

OFFICER ELECTION DEADLINE (ballot sent electronically)

APRIL 1 — EMORY BOGARDUS CHAPTER OF THE YEAR AWARD APPLICATION DEADLINE

The purpose of this program is to recognize and reward chapter achievement in fulfilling the mission of Alpha Kappa Delta. $500 will be awarded to one chapter to support chapter development and service activities

For more details, applications, and guidelines, visit: www.alphakappadelta.org

Membership Eligibility

Undergraduate Students

Sociology major, minor, or have serious interest in sociology; At least a junior; top 35% of class or 3.3 overall GPA; 3.0 GPA in sociology courses; completed four regular sociology courses

Graduate Students

Completed one-half year of program, GPA of 3.0 or better, maintain matriculation in sociology program

Order honor cords and lapel pins early enough so your members may proudly wear them at graduation

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