

ALPHA KAPPA DELTA

BEST PRACTICES FOR CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Chapter activities, projects and ideas can be anywhere from creative and elaborate events to original and easy actions. The sky is the limit!

CAREER DEVELOPMENT & PROFESSIONALISM:

- Hold a workshop on etiquette for attending a professional conference
- Hold a Sociological Symposium (funding available)
- Hold a panel discussion on how to apply to graduate school, write a CV and personal statement, interviewing, etc.
- Invite members who graduated from the dept. to talk about where they are now, how they made it there, etc.
- Hold a "What Can I do with a B.A. in Sociology?" seminar
- Have members or faculty engage with students at orientations or during class time to promote sociology and AKD
- Provide opportunities for student members to be Teaching or Research Assistants and to mentor other sociology students

SCHOLARSHIP AND RESEARCH:

- Attend and present at a sociological regional conference (funding available)
- Invite a speaker to your AKD Induction Ceremony (funding available)
- Develop a "Student Research Series" composed of mock conference sessions where students can present their research and receive feedback in a welcoming and non-threatening environment
- Encourage students to submit their papers to AKD's Student Paper Competition (Undergraduate & Graduate)
- Hold a Department Recognition event (acknowledging community service, scholarship, and leadership)
- Hold a monthly speaker series where different faculty, students and community members who are currently engaging in research and expanding scholarship in and outside of academia present on various topics
- Hold meetings that encourage sharing research experiences, post-graduation plans, and internship and employment opportunities, giving others advice and inspiration for furthering students' own scholarship and future studies
- Submits news on member accomplishments to the college newsletter or local news outlet
- Have a survey project? Hire members to work on it so they can learn how a survey is designed and distributed and learn to code and enter data

CAMPUS-BASED SERVICE ACTIVITIES:

- Host a film night with discussion at the end
- Set up a voter registration table on campus
- Participate in your campus' Student Organization Resource Fair
- Collaborate with other student organizations on your campus to brainstorm and hold various events
- Hold a campus-wide presentation with a visiting lecturer on a topic of interest
- Hold a "Pump It Up for Pre-Exam Week" event where members provided coffee, hot cocoa, light food and snacks to students and faculty preparing for exam week
- Select a member to serve as a representative to bring campus and student related concerns to the attention of the institution's administration.

COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE ACTIVITIES:

- Raise money and construct "free little libraries" around your city
- Help raise money for local organizations and charities
- Host a blood drive, canned food drive, or clothing drive
- Volunteer at a local veteran's hospital, soup kitchen, or community event
- Host an AKD Volunteer Day: A day where members are able as a group to donate their time and services to a local charity



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Submit your activities and pictures to the Executive Office so we can share your accomplishments with other chapters!