



University of Illinois Urbana- Champaign

Alpha Kappa Delta Membership Eligibility and Benefits

The International Sociology Honor Society

Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honor Society Membership is limited to undergraduate, graduate and faculty in sociology (majors, minors, and those who are interested in sociology) who have maintained a record of high academic achievement. Membership is an earned honor. Once you join, you become a lifetime member. The membership fee is **\$50.00**. This one-time fee provides you with lifetime membership that can be used on your resume, applications for graduate school, and job applications.

Please see www.alphakappadelta.org for more information.

Member Eligibility

UNDERGRADUATES

Sociology majors or students who demonstrate a serious interest in sociology who meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Be at least a **JUNIOR**
- ✓ Have an **overall GPA of 3.3**
- ✓ Have a **sociology GPA of at least 3.0**
- ✓ Have **taken at least** four courses in sociology (the equivalent of **12 semester hours**)

GRADUATE STUDENTS

- ✓ Have **completed at least one-half year**
- ✓ Have a **graduate GPA of 'B'** or better
- ✓ In a program of study leading toward a **graduate degree in sociology**

FACULTY

- ✓ Be **employed full-time** at the host institution
- ✓ Formal conferral of a **Ph.D. in sociology** or be **employed as a sociologist** prior to initiation

Member Benefits

- Membership is for a lifetime.
- Every new initiate receives a certificate of membership and a membership card.
- Members who submit completed activation forms receive a free one-year subscription to *Sociological Inquiry*, the official journal of AKD.
- AKD sponsors undergraduate and graduate student paper contests for members with **cash prizes and travel money** to participate in the American Sociological Association (ASA) annual meeting.
 - Undergraduate winners have the chance to participate in the ASA Honors Program
 - First place winners are eligible to have their papers published in *Sociological Inquiry*
- AKD funds students presenting at regional sociological meetings.
- Members may purchase honor cords for graduation ceremonies, AKD pins, and other memorabilia.