



Phi Kappa Psi Grand Chapter Award Application

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PHI KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY

Introduction

Brothers,

It is once again the time for our best and brightest chapter to shine. The 2022 Grand Chapter Award recognizes the chapter that best illustrates the ideals, values and mission of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. This will be your opportunity to prove why your chapter should be the Grand Chapter of Phi Kappa Psi and be recognized as such during the awards banquet at the 2022 GAC in Indianapolis.

All chapters are encouraged to apply.

The chapter should make sure they currently are submitting all current accreditation documents throughout the year.

We are excited to see each of your submissions through the 2021-22 academic year. We wish you luck in the completion of your application!

Fraternally,

The GAC Awards Selection Committee

(Please note that this application is separate from the other GAC Awards)

Past Grand Chapter Award winners:

- 2000** – Ohio Theta (Ashland University)
- 2001** – California Beta (Stanford University)
- 2002** – Iowa Alpha (University of Iowa)
- 2003** – Indiana Epsilon (Valparaiso University)
- 2004** – Kansas Alpha (University of Kansas)
- 2005** – California Beta (Stanford University)
- 2006** – New York Theta (Rochester Institute of Technology)
- 2007** – California Beta (Stanford University)
- 2008** – Iowa Alpha (University of Iowa)
- 2009** – Ohio Mu (University of Dayton)
- 2010** – California Beta (Stanford University)
- 2011** – Ohio Mu (University of Dayton)
- 2012** – New Jersey Epsilon (Rowan University)
- 2013** – New York Theta (Rochester Institute of Technology)
- 2014** – Indiana Delta (Purdue University)
- 2015** – Oregon Beta (Oregon State University)
- 2016** – Iowa Alpha (University of Iowa)
- 2017** – Pennsylvania Theta (Lafayette College)
- 2018** – Kansas Alpha (University of Kansas)
- 2019** – Iowa Beta (Iowa State University)
- 2020** – New York Theta (Rochester Institute of Technology)
- 2021** – Minnesota Beta (University of Minnesota)

History of The Grand Chapter

The Grand Chapter Award is presented to the best overall chapter in Phi Kappa Psi. While many chapters excel in one area or another, the recipient of the Grand Chapter Award has successfully balanced its programming and produced outstanding results for its' members in every facet of Fraternity life.

The Grand Chapter Award honors the first form of national Phi Kappa Psi government in which one chapter was selected on its superior merits to make decisions for all Phi Psi chapters during the period between national conventions. This chapter was elected the Grand Chapter.

From 1852 until 1886, nine chapters served in this prestigious capacity and contributed greatly to the Fraternity's growth and development.

The adoption of a new constitution and government at a special 1886 Grand Arch Council in Indianapolis was a tribute to each Grand Chapter's strength as executive head in bringing Phi Kappa Psi to the magnitude and quality that demanded a more representative, democratic form of government.

Today, the chapter deserving the Grand Chapter Award shares the character of Phi Psi's first leading chapters and sets the pace for others across the country.

Phi Psi chapters that build and teach leadership skills in their members are often models for the campus fraternity system. Unlocking the potential to provide this guiding influence to the chapter or any group enhances the reputation of Phi Kappa Psi. It enables brothers and pledges to seek positions of authority outside the chapter. And, from these experiences, they expand their creativity, broaden their perspective and let their improved abilities flow back to the chapter.

No single deed makes a man a leader. No single brother makes a chapter a leader. Still, each deed, each man, each idea and each accomplishment add up to the sum we call leadership.

Are you one of Phi Kappa Psi's elite chapters? This is now your chance to place your best foot forward. This is your chapter's opportunity to tell us why you are the best chapter in Phi Kappa Psi.

Application Requirements

- The Chapter must submit a letter of recommendation from the University (Greek Advisor, Dean of Students, etc.).
- The Chapter must submit a letter of recommendation from another social fraternity or sorority on your campus.

The remainder of the application is up to the sole discretion of the chapter. This is your chance to shine, in whatever way you desire. This is an opportunity to be creative and utilize talents that lie within your membership. There is no expected format, page number or content requirement for your submission. Merely keep in mind that quality information is what the committee is looking for. Information that helps illustrate why you should be considered the best chapter in Phi Kappa Psi. The more evidence, the better, but be mindful not to put in extraneous information that will detract from the overall application.

The chapter needs to submit this material on the [Awards Section of the Phi Kappa Psi Website](#) or be sent to the Fraternity Headquarters with a postmark of no later than June 1, 2022 to be considered for the award at the Grand Arch Council. If you have any questions, please email us ChapterOperationsTeam@pkpfoundation.org.