



# Phi Sigma Sigma

## AWARDS WITH APPLICATIONS

The following awards require a completed application. Award applications will be available annually no later than March 1st, and all applications must be postmarked no later than April 10th. Individual applicants must be in good standing with the Fraternity. Please note that collegiate chapters on Level 2 or Level 3 Fraternity disciplinary status any point during the academic year are not eligible for awards, except for automatic awards (e.g., chapter anniversary, reaching maximum recruitment potential, etc.)

The **Active Alumna Award** is presented to the alumna who, in her character and activities outside of Phi Sigma Sigma, personifies the ideals of the Fraternity. Involvement in community service and activities, and any other related activities associated with the advancement of womanhood, lifelong learning and philanthropic service are considered.

The **Alumnae Chapter Philanthropy Award** is presented to the alumnae chapter that participates most fully in international and local philanthropic endeavors. For each project listed, include the number of sisters participating and the number of service hours.

The **Alumnae Chapter Progress Award** is presented to the alumnae chapter that shows the greatest progress in the following areas: philanthropic endeavors, collegiate relations, and growth and progress in membership.

The **Beverly Parkes Collegian of the Year Award** is presented to a collegiate member who, in her activities and character, personifies the ideals of Phi Sigma Sigma. The candidate must be in good standing with her collegiate chapter and university, and give evidence of forwarding the three goals of Phi Sigma Sigma: advancement of womanhood, lifelong learning, and philanthropic service. She shall have achieved a most exemplary record in the last year of her collegiate work, as a senior.

- The Collegian of the Year Nomination Form must be used. Nominations will be accepted from anyone graduating from July 2009 through August 2010. Nominees will be asked to complete a supporting document to complete the nomination process. Five finalists are chosen, and among them the winner is selected by Supreme Council.

The **Certificate of Appreciation** is presented to those who have made a significant contribution to Phi Sigma Sigma or have assisted the organization in some way through a specific project or action outside of an assigned role.

The **Housing Corporation Achievement Award** is presented to a housing corporation for its outstanding efforts throughout the year. Applicants must have a positive relationship with the chapter, financial responsibility, report compliance, risk management and programming for the chapter on housing issues.

The **Housing Service Award** is presented to an individual who has shown outstanding devotion and cooperation with the chapter and Phi Sigma Sigma while working with a housing corporation in a volunteer capacity, for a minimum of two years.

The **Individual Alumnae Panhellenic Award** is presented to the Phi Sigma Sigma alumna who has made the most valuable contribution to her local Alumnae Panhellenic. She shall regularly attend functions, meaningfully contribute to the success of the local College Panhellenic/Greek Council, demonstrate commitment to promoting Greek cooperation and spirit and contribute to fundraising activity.

The **Individual Collegian Panhellenic Award** is presented to the Phi Sigma Sigma sister who made the most valuable contribution to her College Panhellenic/Greek Council, based on continuous attendance at meetings, meaningful contribution to the success of the Panhellenic/Interfraternity Council and contribution to fundraising within the Panhellenic/Interfraternity Council. Members of chapters that are the only sorority on their campus are still eligible if they work within an Interfraternity or Greek Council promoting Greek cooperation and spirit.

**Individual Scholarship Awards** are sponsored by the Phi Sigma Sigma Foundation and are presented to collegiate and alumnae sisters who maintain a 3.68 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent for two consecutive semesters.

- COLLEGIANS must earn the cumulative average in two consecutive semesters or trimesters, or in three consecutive quarters during which a full-time academic load was taken.
- GRADUATE STUDENTS must earn the cumulative average based on 15 credit hours in up to three consecutive semesters or trimesters or 22 credits in up to four consecutive quarters. The terms do not have to be in the same school year, but they must be consecutive.

The **Interfraternal Service Award** is presented to an individual who has through their interfraternal contributions brought honor, distinction and prestige to the name of Phi Sigma Sigma.

The **Jeanine Jacobs Goldberg Archon of the Year Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter archon deemed by the grand archon to be the most outstanding based on her contributions to the chapter and her relationship with the Fraternity.

- The Archon of the Year Nomination Form must be used. Nominees asked to complete a supporting doc to complete the nomination process. Five finalists are chosen, and among them the winner is selected by the Grand Archon.

The **Order of the Sapphire Award** was established in honor of Kim Hildred. The award is presented to a Phi Sigma Sigma alumna sister whose actions embody the spirit and dedication of a true leader and motivator. She shall have a consistent track record for more than a five-year period on the international level. The recipient must demonstrate all eight qualities as follows: Skills, Achievement, Perspective, Perpetuity, Honor, Influence, Responsiveness, and Experience.

- A sister is only eligible to receive this award one time. This award is presented bi-annually during conclave years only.

The **Order of the SHMOO Award** is presented to those husbands of Phi Sigma Sigma members who have endured their wives involvement with Phi Sigma Sigma over the years.

Guidelines:

- A husband is eligible to win this award one time.

- A husband must be present at conclave to be eligible for this award.

The **Outstanding Advisory Board Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter advisory board that provides the best support to its respective collegiate chapter throughout the year.

The **Outstanding Advisory Board Member Award** is presented to a collegiate chapter advisory board member who has, through her service and dedication to a collegiate chapter, significantly improved the quality of its sisterhood. She must be a member of the advisory board for at least two consecutive years, support the efforts of the chapter key advisor and contribute to the success of the chapter.

The **Outstanding Alumnae Chapter Archon Award** is presented to the most outstanding alumnae chapter archon based on her contributions to the chapter and her relationship with the Fraternity.

- Supporting documentation should include time in office, community activities, descriptions of the archons' administration during her term in office and any other relevant information.

The **Outstanding Alumnae Chapter Award** was established in honor of Barbara Sachs Krich. It is presented to the most outstanding alumnae chapter, whose scope of activities includes philanthropy, collegiate relations and Alumnae Panhellenic involvement.

The **Outstanding Chapter Key Advisor Award** is presented to a chapter key advisor who has, through her service and dedication to a collegiate chapter, significantly improved the quality of its sisterhood. She shall provide ongoing and regular guidance to the chapter, communicate regularly with Fraternity personnel and Headquarters staff and contribute to the chapter's overall success.

The **Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter faculty advisor who through his/her efforts strengthens a Phi Sigma Sigma chapter.

The **Outstanding Greek Advisor Award** will be presented to the Greek advisor who through her/his efforts strengthens a Phi Sigma Sigma Chapter.

The **Pyramid Award** is Phi Sigma Sigma's highest honor is presented in recognition of outstanding service to the Fraternity on all levels. Such service shall be demonstrated on an ongoing basis over a period of time, or be of such magnitude that even though the service has not been demonstrated over time, the impact and degree of such service warrants this most prestigious award.

- This award is not automatically given out annually, only when there is a deserving recipient(s) and during conclave years.
- A sister is only eligible to receive this award one time.

The **Reiter-Helfgott Award** is presented to an alumnae chapter that has assisted in establishing, reactivating or revitalizing a collegiate chapter.

- The efforts of the alumnae chapter must be explained in detail.

The **Rudolph Memorial Award** was established by Veachey Bloom in memory of her mother and sister. The award is presented to the collegiate chapter that has undertaken any activity above and beyond the required program of the chapter, which has brought honor, distinction and prestige to the name of Phi Sigma Sigma, and received publicity for such activities within the campus and/or local community or on the Fraternity level.

The **Sigma Society** recognizes Phi Sigma Sigma sisters achieving academic excellence. Applicants must be at least second semester juniors and possess a cumulative GPA of 3.6 on a 4.0 scale, or equivalent. Inductees are selected based on academic excellence and campus and Fraternity involvement.

The application must include the following:

- List of positions held in applicant's collegiate chapter
- List of special awards, titles, or recognition received for academics during your Phi Sigma Sigma membership.
- List of your time management techniques, study habits, and strategies for achieving academic success.
- Letter of recommendation from the chapter key advisor or a university professor.
- Official university transcript

The **Sisterhood Award** is sponsored by the Phi Sigma Sigma Fraternity and is presented to a Phi Sigma Sigma sister or sisters for service, devotion in action and belief, and going above and beyond the call of duty in service to the sorority outside of an assigned role.

## **AWARDS WITHOUT APPLICATIONS**

Collegiate chapters are considered for the following awards based on their Chapter Excellence portfolio. Please note that collegiate chapters on Level 2 or Level 3 disciplinary status any point during the academic year are not eligible for awards, except for automatic awards (e.g., chapter anniversary, reaching maximum recruitment potential, etc.)

### **CHAPTER EXCELLENCE AWARDS:**

The **Collegiate Chapter Alumnae Program Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that has been outstanding in its efforts to reach out to alumnae and keep them involved.

The **Collegiate Chapter Efficiency Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that shows the greatest cooperation with Phi Sigma Sigma Fraternity Headquarters.

A chapter must fulfill the following criteria:

- Achieve at least 90% report compliance
- Submit reports in a timely fashion
- Initiate properly both semesters (i.e. obtain permission to initiate for all new members)
- Submit weekly chapter minutes
- Pay chapter dues and other Fraternity bills in a timely fashion

The **Collegiate Chapter Finance Award** was established in honor of Melanie Boone for her hard work and dedication to the Fraternity. This award is presented to the collegiate chapter that has demonstrated fiscal responsibility over a two-year period or that has demonstrated a dramatic improvement over a shorter period of time.

The **Collegiate Chapter Health and Wellness Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that strives to improve the health and wellness of its members through outstanding programming with an emphasis on both physical and emotional well being.

The **Collegiate Chapter Leadership Through Service Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that participates most fully in Fraternity, campus and/or local philanthropy activities

The **Collegiate Chapter Marketing and Communications Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that implements the most constructive and proactive public relations program.

The **Collegiate Chapter Panhellenic Award** is presented to the Phi Sigma Sigma collegiate chapter that made the most valuable contribution to its College Panhellenic or Interfraternity/Greek Council. Chapters that are the only sorority on their campus are still eligible if they work within an Interfraternity/Greek Council promoting Greek cooperation and spirit.

The **Collegiate Chapter Parents Programming Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that has demonstrated outstanding effort in reaching out to and involving parents.

The **Collegiate Chapter Progress Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter showing the greatest progress over a two-year period with regard to membership recruitment, member orientation, academic excellence, Fraternity education, social programming and personal wellness programming. In addition, the chapter shall have at least 80% report compliance.

The **Collegiate Chapter Risk Reduction Award** recognizes the collegiate chapter that demonstrated outstanding performance in risk management and risk reduction through chapter programming, adherence to Fraternity policies and cooperation with the Fraternity.

The **Collegiate Chapter Ritual Award** was established in honor of Louise Kriegsman Kier Zirretta. It is presented to the collegiate chapter that has gained full benefit from the ritual of Phi Sigma Sigma, through both knowledge and understanding of ritual.

The **Collegiate Chapter Scholarship Program Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that most actively fosters excellence in scholarship.

The chapter shall have a program that includes:

- Goals and policies for the chapter
- Programming for members
- Established incentives and awards
- Assistance for members with low GPAs
- Prompt and accurate correspondence to Fraternity personnel
- Utilization of the chapter's faculty advisor

The **Most Improved Membership Recruitment Program Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that has improved its program the most during two consecutive years.

The **Outstanding Chapter Excellence Event Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter who plans and executes the event deemed most creative.

Guidelines:

- Fulfills at least one core value
- Includes participation of others outside of immediate members (e.g., parents, alumnae, other chapters,

campus or community organization, etc.) or impacts others outside of the immediate membership

- Has a minimum of 80% chapter participation

The **Outstanding Collegiate Chapter Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that is most outstanding within the Fraternity and on its campus.

To be eligible for this award, a collegiate chapter must fulfill the following criteria:

- Earn the Chapter of Excellence – Gold Level Award
- Maintain a cumulative chapter GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, or equivalent
- Maintain maximum potential recruitment size
- Fulfill healthy chapter criteria
- Maintain 90% report compliance and 80% on-time report compliance.
- Live Phi Sigma Sigma's core values through creative events, programming, Fraternity assistance, promotion, etc.
- Pay all Fraternity monies on time (i.e., Fraternity dues, insurance, convention tax)
- Make a CRA contribution or complete the appropriate waiver
- Donate the recommended amount per sister to the Phi Sigma Sigma Foundation

The **Outstanding Membership Recruitment Program Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that has been outstanding in membership recruitment based upon the following criteria:

- Creativity
- Success (achieving maximum recruitment potential size)
- Timely submission of statistics to the Fraternity
- Completion of membership recruitment retreat

Four awards are given annually, one from each of the following groups:

- Category 1 – Total of 40 or less
- Category 2 – Total of 41-50
- Category 3 – Total of 51-60
- Category 4 – Total of 60+

#### AUTOMATIC AWARDS:

The **Chapter Anniversary Award** is presented to collegiate and alumnae chapters every five years in recognition of the anniversary of their chartering.

The **Chapter Excellence Area of Responsibility Award** is given to a collegiate chapter that earns the maximum points possible in an area of responsibility.

The **Chapter Key Advisor Service Award** is presented to a key advisor who has successfully completed the duties of her office for a minimum of four consecutive years.

- A sister is only eligible to receive this award one time.

The **Chapter of Excellence Award** is presented to those collegiate chapters that earn at least 70% of the maximum Chapter Excellence score and is based upon the following three categories:

- Gold – Chapters that achieve 90% of the maximum Chapter Excellence score
- Silver – Chapters that achieve 80% of the maximum Chapter Excellence score
- Bronze – Chapters that achieve 70% of the maximum Chapter Excellence score

The **Collegiate Chapter Membership Recruitment Award** is presented to collegiate chapters that have recruited to their maximum potential size for the academic year.

The **Collegiate Chapter Scholarship Achievement Award** is presented to those collegiate chapters that have demonstrated scholastic achievement based upon the following three categories:

- Honors – Chapters that earned an overall GPA of 2.9 to 2.99 on a 4-point scale, or equivalent
- Magna – Chapters that earned an overall GPA of 3.0 to 3.19 on a 4-point scale, or equivalent
- Summa – Chapters that earned an overall GPA of 3.2 or above on a 4-point scale, or equivalent

The **Collegiate Chapter Scholarship Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that has placed first in scholarship for the past years (two consecutive semesters/terms) among all sororities on its campus. Chapters on campuses where Phi Sigma Sigma is the only sorority are not eligible.

The **Collegiate Chapter Scholarship Improvement Award** is presented to the collegiate chapter that has shown the greatest improvement in chapter GPA within one calendar year.

The **Committee Chairman Dangle** is presented to a committee chairman after she has successfully served two full years in office.

- A sister is only eligible to receive the dangle one time.

The **Field Staff Dangle** is presented to a field staff member upon successful completion of her employment.

The **Fraternity Volunteer Service Award** is presented to individuals who have completed a cumulative of 5 years of volunteer service to the Fraternity, and every 5 years thereafter.

The **Graduate Assistant Dangle** is presented to a graduate assistant upon successful completion of her employment.

The **Sister of the Rose Award** is presented upon retirement to a Supreme Council member who has served for ten cumulative years.

- Service does not have to be in consecutive years. A sister is eligible to win this award one time.

The **Supreme Council Dangle** is presented to a Supreme Council officer after she has successfully served two full years in office.

- A sister is only eligible to win this award one time.