

The Alpha Chi Difference



Every honor society celebrates academic achievement, but at Alpha Chi we also focus on scholarship that influences the world for the better. We are dedicated to making the college experience a richer one for our student members. Accept your invitation and be recognized for your academic achievement by an organization built on the concept of making scholarship effective for good.

Why Join Alpha Chi?

Given your grades, you probably received invitations to join lots of honors organizations. Frankly, some of those invitations come from fraudulent or less-than-credible organizations. Alpha Chi is an ACHS-certified honors organization that offers more than just an accolade for your resume, but an *experience*, a chance to engage within a scholarly community composed of the top student scholars from around the country.

Focus on Scholarship & Character

Alpha Chi is a multidisciplinary college honor society recognizing the academic top 10% of juniors, seniors, and graduate students on nearly 300 campuses nationwide. Our emphasis is to be on:

- Student Creativity and Research
- Excellence and Service in Action
- Personal Growth through Diversity
- Equipping Compassionate Listeners and Leaders
- Academic and Professional Mentoring
- Making Scholarship Effective for Good

Alpha Chi Ideals

- Tenacity for improved communication skills and a willingness to reflect on our impact on society
- **R**espect and reason in discourse that leads to responsible and purposeful action
- **U**nderstanding of different world views and truths with empathy
- **T**houghtful and character-driven use of intellectual leadership
- **H**umility that encourages each other to growth

Member Benefits

- **Join an elite group.** Alpha Chi invites only the top ten percent of eligible juniors, seniors, and graduate students.
- **Build your resume.** Alpha Chi membership stands out on resumes and graduate school applications.
- **Present your work.** Alpha Chi gives its members a rare platform to present original research and creative work to a critical audience of your peers, both on campus and at our national annual convention.
- **Lead your chapter.** From the chapter level to the national level, Alpha Chi gives you opportunity to serve—even as a student representative on our National Council.
- **Apply for scholarships.** Alpha Chi awards \$250,000 annually in a variety of grants, scholarships, fellowships, and prizes to support undergraduate and graduate scholarship.
- **Cross-pollinate and collaborate.** Unlike discipline-specific honorary groups, Alpha Chi is multidisciplinary and lets you collaborate with members across majors.
- **Build a scholarly network.** Alpha Chi is a wonderful way to make connections for grad school—and beyond.
- **Be as involved as you want.** You'll make no scary commitments when you become an Alpha Chi member. You can be as involved as you want in chapter activities.
- **Find your mentor.** Alpha Chi chapter advisors and their colleagues are some of the brightest faculty on your campus—you'll have special access to them.
- **Enjoy fellowship and camaraderie.** The chance to build friendships and collaborate with others who share your intellectual curiosity is something Alpha Chi members cherish the most.
- **Receive travel and housing grants.** Alpha Chi offers members travel and housing grants through their chapters so that students may present their scholarly research at the annual national convention.
- **Get published.** Alpha Chi's online, peer-reviewed undergraduate research journal, *Aletheia*, gives members a chance to publish their scholarly and creative work. Graduate student members may gain valuable experience by serving as first-round peer reviewers.

We hope you have already accepted your invitation to join Alpha Chi, an honor society dedicated to promoting critical, constructive, inclusive, and respectful conversations about important societal matters that contribute to one's search for truth and personal growth. If you haven't received an invitation and think you qualify, contact your local Alpha Chi chapter advisor to learn when invitations are sent.

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