



PRESS RELEASE

Alpha Chi Selects 2018 Scholarship Winners and Alternates

SEARCY, Ark.—Twenty-six members of Alpha Chi, the national college honor society, have been named to receive the society's national fellowships and scholarships. The stipends for full-time fall 2018 enrollment will total \$74,000. This year the Scholarship Committee was privileged to review 59 nominations for the Sledge/Benedict Fellowships, 61 for the Gaston/Nolle Scholarships, and 27 for the Pryor Fellowships.

\$6,000 Joseph E. Pryor Graduate/Alumni Doctoral Fellowship

Aura Ankita Mishra, Purdue University graduate student (Indiana Eta, University of Indianapolis)
(Alternate) Emily Heiston, University of Virginia graduate student (Virginia Iota, Shenandoah University)

\$4,000 Joseph E. Pryor Graduate/Alumni Master's Fellowship

Sofia Sedergren, The Graduate Center, CUNY graduate student (North Carolina Xi, Greensboro College)
(Alternate) Michelle Dufault, University of New England graduate student, Maine Epsilon

\$4,000 Robert W. Sledge Fellowships—Seniors in 2017-18 to be Graduate Students in 2018-19

Abigail Hawthorne, Texas Alpha Omega, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX
Callie Kanthack, Montana Gamma, University of Montana Western, Dillon, MT

\$3,000 H. Y. Benedict Fellowships—Seniors in 2017-18 to be Graduate Students in 2018-19

Kathleen Springer, Virginia Gamma, Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, VA (Sledge first alternate)
Danielle Fincham, Texas Alpha Beta, The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, TX (Sledge second alternate)
Alfredo Bonilla Aguillar, Texas Alpha Iota, Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX
Alisha Escobedo, Missouri Epsilon, Columbia College, Columbia, MO
Yash Gandhi, Texas Alpha, Southwestern University, Georgetown, TX
Amelia Gayle, Arkansas Iota, Lyon College, Batesville, AR
Mallory Moore, NC Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, NC
Mark Pernik, Texas Kappa, Austin College, Sherman, TX
Caroline Peterson, Virginia Delta, Roanoke College, Salem, VA
Cho Fai Wong, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Fresno, CA

Benedict Alternates:

- 1) Cyntanna Hawkins, Arkansas Beta, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR
- 2) Dustin Connis, Hawaii Beta, Hawaii Pacific University, Honolulu, HI
- 3) Savannah Weeks, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Abilene, TX
- 4) Rachel Bacon, Arkansas Beta, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR
- 5) Cody Ray Milner, Oklahoma Epsilon, Oklahoma Christian University, Oklahoma City, OK

\$3,000 Edwin W. Gaston Scholarships—Juniors in 2017-18 to be Seniors in 2018-19

Evan Banks, Missouri Lambda, Missouri Western State University, St. Joseph, MO
Daniel Glenn, Zeta Chapter, Christopher Newport University, Newport News, VA

\$2,000 Alfred H. Nolle Scholarships —Juniors in 2017-18 to be Seniors in 2018-19

Emily VanderBent, Indiana Beta, Huntington University, Huntington, IN (Gaston first alternate)
Shannon Clark, Iowa Iota, Waldorf University, Forest City, IA (Gaston second alternate)
Christopher P. Eli, Jr., New Jersey Beta, Bloomfield College, Bloomfield, NJ
Taylor Jackson, California Iota, California State University, Bakersfield, Bakersfield, Ca
Carolyn Janecek, Utah Alpha, Westminster College, Salt Lake City, UT
Alexander McNamara, Texas Alpha Omega, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX
Kelsi Oldham, Texas Alpha Xi, The University of Texas at Tyler, Tyler, TX
Logan Owens, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Abilene, TX
Casey Phelps, Maine Epsilon, University of New England, Biddeford, ME
David Thompson, Georgia Theta, Shorter University, Rome, GA

Nolle Alternates:

- 1) Morgan Beougher, Kansas Delta, Kansas Wesleyan University, Salina, KS
- 2) Carrie Blowe, North Carolina Pi, Chowan University, Murfreesboro, NC
- 3) Alyssa Daubenschmidt, Maine Epsilon, University of New England, Biddeford, ME
- 4) Jordyn MacDonald, Iowa Alpha, Wartburg College, Waverly, IA
- 5) Gabrielle Hargrove, Arkansas Zeta, University of Arkansas at Monticello, Monticello, AR

Alpha Chi inducts no more than the top 10 percent of juniors, seniors, and graduate/professional students on each campus, representing all academic disciplines. With some 300 chapters and an active presence in almost every state, Alpha Chi actively promotes academic excellence, undergraduate and graduate research, campus academic dialogue, and civic engagement.

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