



# ALPHA CHI NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

## 2020 Undergraduate Scholarships and Fellowships

*Nomination by Sponsor Deadline: February 1*

*Student Application Deadline: February 15*

Each Alpha Chi chapter may submit up to two undergraduate nominations (either two scholarships, two fellowships, or one of each) annually. The chapter sponsor will be prompted by email to verify the name of each nominee, select the appropriate competition, and provide the name and email address of the faculty member being asked to provide an assessment of the student's work. The deadline for sponsor verifications is Feb. 1.

**Gaston & Nolle Scholarships:** Alpha Chi will award twelve scholarships for full-time undergraduate study. The two top awards among these will be the Edwin W. Gaston, Jr. Scholarships of \$3,000 each, and the remaining ten (10) will be the Alfred H. Nolle Scholarships of \$2,000 each. A scholarship nominee must be or have been enrolled in an undergraduate program in the school year 2019-20 and plan to continue full-time undergraduate work in the fall semester of 2020.

**Sledge & Benedict Fellowships:** Alpha Chi will award twelve fellowships for full-time graduate study toward the master's, doctoral, or professional degree. The two top awards among these will be the Robert W. Sledge Fellowships of \$4,000 each, and the remaining ten (10) will be the H. Y. Benedict Fellowships of \$3,000 each. A fellowship nominee must be or have been enrolled in an undergraduate program in the school year 2019-20, plan to graduate or have graduated with the baccalaureate degree during this same school year, and plan to begin full-time graduate study in the fall semester of 2020.

### ***Undergraduate Competition Elements***

- 1) The nominee's sponsor-verified application submitted online according to the official application procedures found at [alphachihonor.org/scholarships](http://alphachihonor.org/scholarships).
- 2) An academic paper or other appropriate work in the nominee's major field. *This is the most important aspect of the application*; it will be judged for clarity, originality, and correctness of form. If a submission is nonverbal in nature, the nominee must include a written explanation that demonstrates an understanding of the theoretical basis for the project or subject matter, and title that document "Explanation."
  - Papers must be uploaded as a Microsoft Word document according to the accompanying instructions. Papers should generally be between 10 and 25 pages long (double-spaced).
  - Other media such as photographs, videos, audio recordings, photographed art, etc., must be saved in common file formats. Submit no more than 10 photographs or 10 works of art. Recorded audio or performances are limited to 15 minutes.
  - If the submission represents a cooperative project, only the portion of the paper written by the nominee will be judged in the competition. Any research and/or writing not done specifically by the nominee must be clearly delineated, or the entry will be disqualified. This explanation should be in a document titled "Cooperative."
  - Scientific papers or projects should begin with an abstract.
- 3) An official faculty assessment addressing the significance of the submission to be submitted online by a faculty member in the field represented by the nominee's paper or project.
- 4) No additional materials will be considered, and only submissions completed online will receive consideration.

*This competition is judged by a committee of National Council faculty throughout March. A list of recipients and alternates will be posted at [alphachihonor.org](http://alphachihonor.org) shortly after the national convention; all nominees will receive official notification results by mail by May 15. Winning papers will be submitted to Turnitin.com before press releases are sent. If plagiarism is found, any award slated for that nominee will be given to the highest-ranking alternate. Recipients of national scholarships/fellowships will receive award monies after classes have begun in the fall 2020 semester once Alpha Chi receives from the college official notification of the student's full-time enrollment.*