



# ALPHA CHI NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

## 2020 Graduate Student & Alumni Member Fellowships

Deadline: February 15

**Pryor Graduate Fellowships:** Alpha Chi will award up to two Pryor Fellowships, typically one of \$6,000 to a member in a doctoral program who has completed at least two years of graduate or professional study beyond the baccalaureate degree and one of \$4,000 to a member for the first or second year of graduate or professional study beyond the baccalaureate degree.

### Eligibility

This competition is for members of Alpha Chi who have already received their baccalaureate degree at the time of application and who will be enrolled in full-time graduate or professional study in the fall of 2020. Previous winners of the Pryor Fellowship are not eligible. After classes have begun for the fall 2020 semester, a recipient will receive the award after Alpha Chi receives from the college official notification of the student's full-time enrollment.

### Pryor Competition Elements

- 1) The application package 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 applicant'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 applicant 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.
  - Other media such as photographs, videos, audio recordings, photographed art, etc., must be saved in common file formats.
  - If the submission represents a cooperative project, only the portion of the paper written by the applicant will be judged in the competition. Any research and/or writing not done specifically by the applicant 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 applicant's paper or project.
- 4) A personal statement from the applicant outlining plans for study and detailing their extracurricular activities but not indicating financial need. The maximum length for this statement will be two pages, double-spaced, saved as a Microsoft Word document titled "Statement."

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.

*Note: If a Pryor applicant is attending an Alpha Chi institution at the time of application, that chapter may consider the applicant its national scholarship nominee to fulfill a requirement of Star Chapter Award status.*