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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 15



If you are a member of Pi Gamma Mu, you could qualify to be the recipient of a \$2000 or \$1000 award to attend graduate school. Pi Gamma Mu awards 10 scholarships each year. Why not be one of the next recipients?

Pi Gamma Mu scholarships are intended for the first or second year of graduate work in the social sciences. If you are interested in applying, you should start putting your information together right away. Applications must be fully completed and received at the Pi Gamma Mu office in Winfield, Kans., with a postmark on or before **February 15**. Winners will be notified in the spring, with the grants awarded in the fall. Please check the Pi Gamma Mu website for information and the application form. <http://www.pigammamu.org/scholarships.html>

## SMALL AND BERTOLAS INDUCTED INTO PI GAMMA MU HALL OF FAME

Since its founding in 1924, Pi Gamma Mu has been a labor of love for its many volunteers, including international officers and trustees and the chapter sponsors who are the backbone of the society. While all of our volunteers over the past nine decades are deserving of acclaim for giving of themselves in the service of the society, the international Board of Trustees decided in 2004, 80 years after Pi Gamma Mu's founding, that it is right and proper to formally recognize some of Pi Gamma Mu's leading volunteers, who truly poured their heart and soul into this organization, by inducting them into a Pi Gamma Mu Hall of Fame. On November 3, 2017 Pi Gamma Mu inducted two new members into its Hall of Fame, Dr. Clara Small and Dr. Randy Bertolas.

Dr. Small, Professor Emerita of History, Salisbury University, Salisbury, MD, was inducted into lifetime membership in Pi Gamma Mu at the North Carolina Delta Chapter at North Carolina Central University, Durham in May 1968. She served as the chapter sponsor of the Maryland Gamma Chapter at Salisbury University from 1982 until her retirement in 2013. Under her leadership, Maryland Gamma regularly made the Society's Rolls of Merit and Distinction. Dr. Small was appointed to serve as Second Vice-President of the Pi Gamma Mu Board of Trustees in 2011 and continues to hold that position. Prior to becoming Second Vice-President, she served as Chancellor of Pi Gamma Mu's Northeastern Region where she conducted many site visits for chapter approval, and performed many induction ceremonies. Dr. Small also currently chairs the Society's Scholarship and Chapter Awards Committees. She provided the keynote address, entitled "Smalls Little Bit of History", at the Society's 2017 Triennial International Convention in Kansas City, MO.

Dr. Bertolas, Professor of Geography, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE, arrived at the college in 1995. He rose through the ranks to become professor of geography and also served as longtime chair of the Department of History, Politics, and Geography. He began working as a faculty sponsor of the Nebraska Delta Chapter in 1999. The chapter has been cited on the Pi Gamma Mu Chapter Honor Rolls of Merit and Distinction during every year of this tenure. Dr. Bertolas also served Pi Gamma Mu as Chancellor of the North/Northwest Region from 2005-2008.



Gordon Mercer, Clara Small, and



Randy Bertolas holding his Hall of Fame plaque.

Larry Heck at the 2017 Awards Banquet in Kansas City, Missouri

## PI GAMMA MU'S MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE HONOR SOCIETIES TRANSLATES INTO OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS

Pi Gamma Mu's membership in the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS) translates into additional opportunities for student members. Because Pi Gamma Mu is a member of the ACHS, Pi Gamma Mu members are eligible for several scholarships and internship programs through partnerships developed by the ACHS for its member societies. Opportunities include:

- [Washington Internship Institute](#) - all inducted student members of the ACHS societies will be awarded a \$500 merit-based scholarship for the ACHS/WII Washington Internship Program.
- [The Fund for American Studies](#) - one inducted student member of each of the ACHS societies will be awarded a merit-based \$1000 scholarship for a TFAS Summer Institute or Capital Semester.
- [The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars](#) – awards a \$1,000 housing scholarships to selected students who are members of ACHS honor societies.
- [The Osgood Center](#) - offers a \$500 scholarship to be applied to the cost of its internship program in Washington, D.C. This scholarship is automatically awarded to any student who is a member of an ACHS member society.
- [The PhD Project](#) – encourages ACHS member society students to participate in an expansive network of support that helps African-Americans, Hispanic-Americans and Native Americans attain their business Ph.D., become business school professors and serve as role models to attract the next generation of minority business leaders.
- [United Planet](#) – offers one merit based scholarship for an inducted student member of each chapter within every ACHS member society per calendar year in the amount of \$500 scholarship for any United Planet international program in one of over 35 countries. United Planet also awards five merit-based scholarships for alumni in every ACHS society per calendar year in the amount of \$500 for any United Planet international program in one of over 35 countries, and offers preferred program fees and support for chapter, society-wide, and alumni groups.

## LIFETIME MEMBER RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND THE WASHINGTON INTERNSHIP INSTITUTE



**Caitlyn Moravecek**, lifetime member of Pi Gamma Mu, has been awarded a \$500 scholarship by the Washington Internship Institute (WII). It was Moravecek's membership in Pi Gamma Mu that made her eligible for the scholarship. All inducted student members of Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS), including Pi Gamma Mu, are awarded a \$500 merit-based scholarship for the ACHS/WII Washington Internship Program. Pi Gamma Mu has been a proud member of the ACHS since 1953.

**Moravecek** is a senior Criminology and Sociology major with a professional interest in helping those who battle with drug and alcohol addiction. She is studying her final semester in our nation's capital and is very excited to be gaining valuable work experience and a broader sense of her vocational prospects through the Washington Internship Institute. Her focus is crime, drug, and alcohol prevention. Moravecek is scheduled to graduate in May 2018. She is excited to see what other doors open after graduation, especially with the experiences she gains in Washington D.C.

# SHADOW PRESIDENT UPDATE

The Pi Gamma Mu Shadow President was conceptualized for the 2008 Triennial International Convention--aptly named "A Political Party." Elected by the student delegates, the assignment for the Shadow President was to propose policy ideas and evaluate the initiatives of President Barack Obama in an occasional Newsletter column. Eric Knutson served as the first Shadow President. During the 2011 Triennial International Convention, student delegates elected Dr. Matthew Anderson to continue the assignment of the Shadow President. During the 2017 Triennial International Convention in Kansas City, two student members were elected to serve as Co-Shadow Presidents for the 2017-2020 Triennium, Aaron Miller and Reggie Jones. Miller was inducted into the North Carolina Mu chapter at Campbell University and Jones was inducted through the North Carolina Alpha Beta chapter at Chowan University. The opinions expressed in this article are those of the author and may not reflect those of Pi Gamma Mu or its members.

## Civil Military Relations

By Aaron Miller  
Pi Gamma Mu Co-Shadow President

The Trump administration has appointed four well known and accomplished generals to the top of the policy food chain: Secretary of Defense, James Mattis, is a retired Marine Corps General, White House Chief of Staff, John Kelly, is also a retired Marine Corps General, National Security Advisor, Lieutenant General H.R. McMaster, is an active duty Army Lieutenant General, and Advisor McMaster's Deputy is a reserve Major General. To what effect does the appointment of these generals and the continuing politicization of the armed services have on the growing divide in civil-military relations?



Alice Friend, a Senior Fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, stated in a [recent discussion](#) on civil-military relations, "Insulating the military from politics and vice versa has been the cornerstone of how we've managed military affairs and, indeed, our democracy since 1789, but recent years have seen an increase in the visibility of military officers in partisan campaigns and political bargaining." It seems the Trump administration is moving toward the latter regardless of the implications.

Currently, the civilian population has a great deal of [trust](#) in the United States armed forces. However, these appointments come with the risk of weakening this conviction. Filling such influential positions with current and former service members puts the military's [reputation and its role in foreign politics at great risk](#). Risk is associated with [politicizing](#) the military community. As politicians, but more importantly the Commander in Chief, tug on the coat tails of retired generals, pulling them left or right puts a new label on the military. What was once an apolitical institution now opens itself up for partisan labels. Loren DeJonge Schulman, the Deputy Director of Studies at the Centre for a New American Security, highlights this point, [writing](#), "The greatest risk posed by Trump's rush to court the brass is the extent to which our military leadership may become, in reality or perception, a politicized institution."

Is the [recent skirmish](#) between the President and the widow of a fallen service member an indicator of such politicization? Soldiers have been and will continue to be used by politicians for political gain. David Abrams, a New York Times contributor [writes](#), "Politicians from both parties have used warriors as photo ops and speech fodder ever since Abraham Lincoln posed with his generals for Mathew Brady at Antietam." There is no doubt that veterans and service members are an asset to any campaign. The very nature of their chosen profession, service to the Nation, is a more than adequate [compliment to any campaign](#). The consistent news cycle and political climate would lead the public to believe that politicians and pundits are looking for any situation to politically exploit and, because of civil-military blurred lines, delve into and manipulate the circumstances of a fallen service member into political gain.

Another concern is that Secretary Mattis, White House Chief of Staff General Kelly and Lieutenant General McMaster have too close of ties to those with whom they served and are current active military officers. A danger exists here in that the values and ethos which connect service members may lead to bias and narrow sighted decisions. The close connection between appointed generals turned policy makers could lead to [militarized foreign policy](#). Several civilian posts remain [vacant](#) throughout the national security establishment. What is lost is a balance of power. Several military minds with minimal civilian input and foresight will provide solutions to problems that are military focused in application and void of [diplomatic and domestic considerations](#).

Has a precedence been set? Additional concerns arise as an appointed general and in this case, several generals, as individuals will not be able to separate themselves from the partisan politics and put a label on the military as a whole. Will the military now be viewed through a partisan lens? Amy Schafer and Jason Dempsey [conclude](#), "The closer today's military becomes identified with the Trump administration, the easier it is to imagine the next president will eye the military's senior leaders with suspicion, and seek to replace them with generals that are not Trump's, but his or her own."

*Aaron Miller is an active duty army officer with 15 years of service and holds a Masters in Diplomacy from Norwich University. The views and opinions shared here are his and do not represent the United States government, the United States army, Pi Gamma Mu, or its members.*

# THE ACHS ADDRESSES PROBLEM OF UNACCREDITED GROUPS CALLING THEMSELVES "HONOR SOCIETIES"

Honor Societies have existed as a part of the higher education tradition since 1885. In 1925 the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS) was established to help colleges and universities assess the value and credibility of these organizations.

Over the past few years there have been several groups that have emerged that are calling themselves honor societies but do not meet the standards to be certified by the Association of College Honor Societies. Based on the calls and questions that come to the ACHS office, these organizations are marketing themselves as honor societies and possibly creating confusion for students.

In order to help students and administrators make more informed decisions, the ACHS has asked us to share with you basic questions to ask or assess before determining any organization to be an honor society:

- **ACHS certification** – this link lists all member honor societies that are certified and meet the standards: <http://achsnatl.org/member-directory.asp>
- **Minimum scholastic standards for membership** – make sure there is a reason that the student is being honored and is not just being invited to join a group with no standards or criteria for membership
- **Non-profit status** – a certified honor society will always be a non-profit, 501 c3, organization. Don't be deceived by the organization having a .org website address. These groups often don't disclose that they are for-profit in their marketing materials. You have to ask them, or you can check here: <https://www.guidestar.org/Home.aspx>.
- **Campus chapters** – make sure the organization is a registered and recognized chapter on your campus with on-campus leadership from students and/or faculty.
- **Fees** – all collegiate honor societies have a membership fee. The fee may be solicited from the invited student or, in some cases, paid for by the institution. Having a fee is comparable to your institution having tuition. The key factor is that the student should be paying to affiliate with an organization that has been certified to meet high standards the same way your institution has been accredited.
- **Transparency** – check the organization's website to make sure that it states it is a non-profit and that there is a phone number and address listed. Is there a listing of a functioning board that provides oversight to the organization?
- **Member participation in governance** – are members of the organization involved in governing the organization?

You can find more information about how to judge the credibility of honor societies at [http://www.achsnatl.org/standards\\_alert.asp](http://www.achsnatl.org/standards_alert.asp)

Please help us share this with individuals on your campus who can help students make better informed decisions.

Thank you for making a difference with Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society in Social Sciences.

## ACCESS THE *International Social Science Review* ONLINE ANYTIME, ANYWHERE!

Visit <http://digitalcommons.northgeorgia.edu/issr/> or type "International Social Science Review" into any search engine to view the issue. The *ISSR*, Pi Gamma Mu's peer-reviewed professional journal, transitioned from a print format to a digital format in 2014 making the journal accessible to everyone – no subscription required.

You can also submit articles and book reviews to be considered for publication via the site or by simply emailing the article to the journal's editor, Candice Quinn, at [quinn.issr@gmail.com](mailto:quinn.issr@gmail.com). Dr. Quinn also welcomes Pi Gamma Mu members to share important updates for possible inclusion in the journal (members having new publications, faculty positions, etc.).



## MAKE YOUR CHAPTER A PI GAMMA MU STAR

Become a Pi Gamma Mu Star Chapter by increasing your chapter's number of new initiates by 20% or more as compared to the previous academic year.

Increasing your chapter's membership helps Pi Gamma Mu accomplish its mission to encourage and recognize superior scholarship by extending the benefits of membership to more eligible students. It is the collection of the lifetime membership fees from new members that sustains Pi Gamma Mu and we ask for your continued support in this area. Increasing membership will also benefit more of the high performing students at your school with opportunities for scholarships, publications, networking, and more. Increase your chapter's number of new initiates by 20% or more as compared to the previous academic year and we will send you a Pi Gamma Mu Star plaque and will recognize your chapter in the Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter and on our website. Our fiscal year ends on August 31.

To see a listing of how many members each chapter initiated in 2016-17, see the [2016-17 Membership Report](#) in the November 2017 Pi Gamma Mu Newsletter. Note: The Star Chapter program was started in 2014-15.

### 2016-17 Star Chapters

\*Arkansas Delta, Southern Arkansas University, Paul Babbitt  
California Omicron, Mount Saint Mary's College, Jane Crawford-Muratore  
Connecticut Alpha, Trinity College, Nicholas Woolley  
\*Delaware Beta, Wilmington University, Johanna Bishop  
Georgia Rho, Reinhardt University, M. Katrina Smith  
Illinois Kappa, Dominican University, Janice Monti  
Illinois Pi, McKendree University, J. L. Kemp  
Indiana Epsilon, Valparaiso University, Daniel Saros  
\*Kansas Alpha, Southwestern College, Carrie Lane and Jacob Goodson  
\*Kansas Kappa, Central Christian College, Jamie Sparks  
Kansas Lambda, Wichita State University, Sheryl Chapman  
\*Maryland Epsilon, Coppin State University, Elias Taylor  
Maryland Theta, University of Maryland University College, Katherine Im  
\*Massachusetts Beta, Regis College, Kathryn Edney  
\*Massachusetts Delta, Wheelock College, Marcia Folsom  
Massachusetts Epsilon, Springfield College, Richard Davilla, Camille Elliott  
Michigan Gamma, Siena Heights University, Julieanna Frost  
\*Mississippi Eta, Alcorn State University, Antrina Bell  
Mississippi Theta, Blue Mountain College, Stewart Bennett  
\*Missouri Delta, Lindenwood University, Donald Heidenreich, Jr.  
Missouri Kappa, Central Methodist University, Kristin Cherry, John Carter  
\*Nebraska Delta, Wayne State College, Randy Bertolas, Jean Karlen  
\*New Hampshire Beta, Saint Anselm College, Tauna Sisco  
\*New York Gamma, Plymouth State University, Karen Porter  
New York Iota, Mercy College, Dorothy Balancio, Marla Moulton  
New York Lambda, Saint Thomas Aquinas, Heath Bowen  
New York Mu, Dominican College, Christopher Libertini  
New York Omicron, Long Island University Post, Anke Grosskopf  
\*New York Sigma, LeMoyne College, Jeffrey Chin  
New York Tau, Pace University, Linda Quest  
\*New York Alpha Gamma, Siena College, Ausra Park  
\*North Carolina Alpha, Elon University, Rene Zito  
North Carolina Epsilon, Appalachian State University, Marian Williams  
North Carolina Xi, North Carolina Wesleyan College, Jay Quinan  
North Carolina Tau, Winston Salem State University, Okori Uneke  
\*North Carolina Upsilon, Fayetteville State University, Kofi Johnson  
Ohio Epsilon, Baldwin Wallace University, Liya Wang  
Ohio Eta, Kent State University, Clare Stacey, Brooke Long  
Oklahoma Zeta, Northeastern State University, Benjamin Kracht  
Pennsylvania Alpha Epsilon, University of Scranton, Christie Karpiak  
Pennsylvania Alpha Xi, Wilson College, Kay Ackerman  
South Carolina Theta, University of South Carolina – Aiken, Douglas Kuck  
South Carolina Iota, Claflin University, Patricia Koger



**South Carolina Nu**, Allen University, Marta Washington  
**South Dakota Zeta**, Presentation College, Brad Tennant  
**Tennessee Zeta**, Middle Tennessee State University, Karen Petersen  
**\*Texas Zeta**, University of Mary Hardin Baylor, Janet Adamski  
**Texas Omicron**, West Texas A & M University, John David Rauch, Jr.  
**\*Texas Psi**, Huston-Tillotson University, Michael Hirsch  
**\*\*West Virginia Beta**, Fairmont State University, Charles Shields  
**West Virginia Zeta**, Glenville State College, Arthur DeMatteo  
**West Virginia Eta**, Bethany College, Gary Kappel

\*Chapters have obtained Star status two times.

\*\*Chapters have obtained Star status three times.

## 2015-16 Star Chapters

**California Pi**, University of California Irvine, Teresa Neighbors  
**Colorado Theta**, Adams State University, Ed Crowther  
**District of Columbia Alpha**, Catholic University of America, Sandra Barrueco  
**Florida Kappa**, Warner University, Nancy Anderson  
**Florida Lambda**, Saint Leo University, Susan Kinsella  
**Georgia Gamma**, Wesleyan College, Barbara Donavan  
**Georgia Xi**, Brewton Parker College, Vance Rhodes  
**Illinois Gamma**, Bradley University, Darcy Leach  
**Illinois Omicron**, Benedictine University, Patrick Polasek  
**Louisiana Iota**, Dillard University, Robert Collins  
**Massachusetts Beta**, Regis College, Kathryn Edny  
**Missouri Delta**, Lindenwood University, Donald Heidenreich, Jr.  
**New York Gamma**, Alfred University, Karen Porter  
**New York Theta**, Keuka College, Athena Elafros  
**New York Alpha Gamma**, Siena College, Ausra Park  
**North Carolina Iota**, Johnson C. Smith University, Deborah Quick  
**North Carolina Mu**, Campbell University, Lloyd Johnson  
**Pennsylvania Gamma**, Susquehanna University, Nick Clark  
**Pennsylvania Lambda**, California University of Pennsylvania, Beverly Ross  
**Pennsylvania Mu**, Franklin & Marshall College, Alan Glazer  
**Pennsylvania Psi**, University of Pittsburgh – Bradford, Marvin Thomas  
**Pennsylvania Alpha Kappa**, University of Pittsburgh – Greensburg, Geoffrey Wood  
**South Dakota Alpha**, Dakota Wesleyan University, David Mitchell  
**Tennessee Mu**, Martin Methodist College, Doris Wossum-Fisher  
**Tennessee Kappa**, Union University, Nina Heckler  
**Texas Rho**, Howard Payne University, Robert Mangrum  
**West Virginia Theta**, Bluefield State College, Amanda Willey  
**West Virginia Iota**, American Military University/American Public University, Allison G. S. Knox

## 2014-15 Star Chapters

**Arkansas Delta**, Southern Arkansas University, Paul Babbitt  
**Arkansas Eta**, University of Arkansas – Fayetteville, Laurence Hare  
**California Pi**, University of California – Irvine, Gitty Amini  
**Delaware Alpha**, Delaware State University, Sam Hoff  
**Delaware Beta**, Wilmington University, Johanna Bishop  
**Florida Lambda**, Saint Leo University, Susan Kinsella  
**Florida Theta**, Barry University, Lisa Konczal  
**Illinois Rho**, Eureka College, Junius Rodriguez  
**Indiana Alpha**, University of Evansville, Mari Plikuhn  
**Kansas Alpha**, Southwestern College, Carrie Lane  
**Kansas Kappa**, Central Christian College, Jamie Sparks  
**Maryland Epsilon**, Coppin State University, Elias Taylor  
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**Missouri Theta**, Maryville University, Kent Bausman  
**Nebraska Delta**, Wayne State College, Randy Bertolas  
**New Hampshire Beta**, Saint Anselm College, Tauna Sisco  
**New Hampshire Gamma**, Plymouth State University, David Starbuck  
**New York Alpha Delta**, Cazenovia College, John Greene  
**New York Beta**, Elmira College, Jim Twombly



**North Carolina Nu**, Saint Andrews University, David Herr  
**North Carolina Upsilon**, Fayetteville State University, Kofi Johnson  
**Oklahoma Epsilon**, University of Science & Arts of Oklahoma, Christopher Garneau  
**Texas Psi**, Huston Tillotson University, Michael Hirsch  
**Texas Upsilon**, University of Houston – Downtown, Joanna Kaftan  
**Texas Zeta**, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Janet Adamski  
**Vermont Beta**, Norwich University, Emily Meyer  
**Virginia Delta**, Emory & Henry College, John Morgan  
**Virginia Epsilon**, Radford University, Sharon Roger Hepburn  
**West Virginia Beta**, Fairmont State University, Charles Shields

## NATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT

Delegates in attendance at the 2017 Pi Gamma Mu Triennial International Convention in Kansas City donated dozens of paperback books and toothbrushes to an area Veterans hospital while visiting the city for the convention. Allison G. S. Knox, Pi Gamma Mu Board of Trustees Chancellor for the Southeast Region, organized the project and delivered the donated items to the hospital.

Knox is also organizing the **2017-2018 National Service Project** for the Society. This year, chapters are asked to collect items for the homeless. To participate, please contact an organization in your area that supports the homeless. Ask them what they need in terms of supplies and donate a box of supplies on behalf of your chapter.



If every chapter works on this initiative, Pi Gamma Mu will be able to help the homeless population throughout the country! Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Allison G. S. Knox, Chancellor of the Southeast Region: [Allison\\_G.S.\\_Knox@hotmail.com](mailto:Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com). We hope you will participate in this endeavor! Don't forget to mention it in your Annual Chapter Report.

## SHOW YOUR PI GAMMA MU PRIDE

Pi Gamma Mu's exclusive merchandise not only gives you the opportunity to proudly display your achievement and affiliation with the society, but merchandise purchases also support the activities of Pi Gamma Mu and help us finance our programs and awards.

Display your accomplishments by wearing Pi Gamma Mu **honor cords** at commencement ceremonies. Honor cords are \$17 each (or \$15 each for orders of 10 or more).

Other items include t-shirts proudly displaying the Pi Gamma Mu logo and name on the front and the mission statement on the back for \$20 and polo shirts embroidered with the Pi Gamma Mu seal for \$20. Pi Gamma Mu tote bags (\$20), coffee mugs (\$7), and bumper stickers (\$5) are also available.



Thank you for your continued support of Pi Gamma Mu!

## SUPPORT THE SOCIAL SCIENCES BY DONATING TO PI GAMMA MU

Pi Gamma Mu is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation and is able to accept tax-deductible donations. If you would like to make a donation to our organization in honor / memory of a professor, sponsor, loved one or friend, or to support our scholarship program, you are encouraged to do so. Pi Gamma Mu gives scholarships to students going into a graduate program in social science each year, and much more.

To make a donation, simply go to our [website](#) and click on the [Donate Now!](#) button from any page. This will take you to the Online Donation Form. Online payment is by major credit card or PayPal account. Transactions are handled securely at the payment processor site. Pi Gamma Mu does not receive your sensitive financial data.

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For more information, call the executive director at (620) 221-3128 or visit our donations Web page:  
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Here at Pi Gamma Mu, we see social media as another way for us to carry out our mission to encourage scholarship and to foster cooperation and service among our members. Now you can connect with us and other members and supporters of Pi Gamma Mu on the social networking sites you like to use. We welcome your comments, posts, and photos of chapter activities. Be sure to *like* us on [Facebook](#), *follow* us on [Twitter](#), and *connect* with us on [LinkedIn](#) to see announcements, opportunities, and deadlines (such as the scholarship application deadline). Keep your eye out for updates about the Triennial International Convention coming up this October!

Please note that several Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn accounts will come up when you search for "Pi Gamma Mu" as we encourage our chapters to stay connected via social media. Use the links below to ensure that you have connected with the official pages managed by the Pi Gamma Mu international office.

## CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS

Pi Gamma Mu communicates with its lifetime members via email. Anytime your email address changes, such as after graduation or when you change jobs, please notify the Pi Gamma Mu office immediately. This will prevent your emails from being interrupted or discontinued. Simply email your new email address to [executivedirector@pigammamu.org](mailto:executivedirector@pigammamu.org) or go to our Web site ([www.pigammamu.org](http://www.pigammamu.org)) to change your address information. We will need both your old email address and your new email address to update our records. Thank you very much for taking a few minutes to keep your information current.

# ACHS MEMBERSHIP PROTECTS THE LEGITIMACY OF HONOR SOCIETIES

Pi Gamma Mu is one of 68 members of the **Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS)**, which is the authority on standards and definitions for the honor society movement. ACHS has stepped up efforts to alert the higher education community to the standards of traditional honor societies. In contrast, some new so-called honor societies exist online and allow self-nomination, accepting fees with no questions asked. If in doubt about an organization, you can check out the ACHS website ([www.achsnaatl.org](http://www.achsnaatl.org)) for the [list of honor societies](#) that are members.

## MISSION OF PI GAMMA MU

The Mission of Pi Gamma Mu is to encourage and promote excellence in the social sciences and to uphold the ideals of scholarship and service.

## IDEALS OF PI GAMMA MU

There are seven ideals of Pi Gamma Mu. Do you know them?

1. **Scholarship** – it is basic to all the rest. With knowledge, we can build society and better understand humanity and what has been thought and said and tried in all generations.
2. **Science** – we need and admire the spirit of science – the firm belief that the problems that confront humanity can be solved if we will search out the facts and think clearly on the basis of those facts.
3. **Social Science** – we shall never understand or solve the problems of human association until we examine the souls of people, the passions, prejudices, hopes and fears.
4. **Social Idealism** – we believe in a human society fit for human life that humans themselves can build. "Where there is no vision the people perish." We will not give up our vision.
5. **Sociability** – specialization makes us narrow. Our social problems are complex. They will never be solved without the cooperation of all the social sciences and of those who study them.
6. **Social Service** – the primary purpose of science is to know and to enable us to do. What we know we want to put to work for the benefit of humanity.
7. **Sacrifice** – we are engaged in the greatest and finest of all the arts, the building of human society. Without giving freely, fully, and sacrificially of means, time, talent, energy and passion, all our other ideals will fall short and the contributions we hope to bring will never come.

## SYMBOLS OF PI GAMMA MU

The **motto** of the Society is the epigram of the Master Teacher, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

The society's **key** has a wreath at the bottom to suggest that social science is the outgrowth and fulfillment of natural science. The running figure is reminiscent of the ancient Greek torch race and symbolizes humanity bringing knowledge to the solution of its own problems and passing on the light from generation to generation.

The **colors** are blue and white - for truth and light.

The official **flower** is the blue and white cineraria.