

Constitution

Delta Xi Chapter

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Phi Alpha Honor Society

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Article 1- Name of Organization

Phi Alpha Honor Society - Delta Xi Chapter

Article 2- Purpose of Organization

The purpose of Phi Alpha Honor society is to promote a closer bond among students of social work and to enter into more intimate fellowship with those dedicated to the promotion of humanitarian goals and ideals by a professional group for which quality educational preparation is deemed imperative. Students and faculty involved in social work education at Florida Atlantic University resolve to sponsor a Chapter of Phi Alpha National Honor Society, thereby to foster high standards of education for social work and to invite into membership those who have attained excellence of scholarship and distinction of achievements as students of social work.

* Phi Alpha will abide by all Florida Atlantic University regulations, federal and state laws, as well as the National Phi Alpha Council regulations.

Article 3-Membership

1. Any undergraduate or graduate social work student at Florida Atlantic University who meets the qualifications set forth in the By-Laws and the National Phi Alpha standards shall be eligible for active membership.
2. Social work students who do not meet the required GPA and coursework will be admitted as pledges for one academic term. Pledges will be inducted as Phi Alpha members only upon meeting the Phi Alpha national standards and chapter regulations.
3. Honorary membership may be granted to two students each academic year whose support of social work education and practice merit such recognition by approval of the chapter.
- 4 Faculty members having an official connection with the social work curriculum may be granted membership upon invitation and approval of the chapter.

Article 4- Officers

1. The officers of this organization shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and ICC representative to be elected by a majority vote of the chapter.
2. In order to be eligible for officer positions, candidates must be members of Phi Alpha Honor Society.
3. The officers shall be elected after the ending of each academic term and shall take office upon the beginning of the new term. Officers who wish to maintain their positions may only do so by a majority vote of the chapter.
4. Should a vacancy occur in any office, it shall be filled by an appointment through a consensus vote of the existing officers.
5. The duties of the officers are outlined and set forth in the By-Laws.

* There must be a minimum of two qualified officers. All officers must be registered FAU students carrying a minimum of 6 credits hours for undergraduate students and 3 credit hours for graduate students and meeting the university's requirements for student officers with 2.0 GPA.

Article 5-Meetings

1. The chapter shall hold official meetings once a month on Saturdays during the academic term.
2. Special meetings may be called by the officers as needed.
3. A quorum for any official or special meeting shall consist of 10% of the members with a minimum of five present.

Article 6-Amendements

This constitution may be ratified only by the consensus of the organization's chapter officers.