

United Chapters of Alpha Kappa Delta

International Sociology Honor Society

Anthropon Katamanthanein Diakonesein

“To investigate humanity for the purpose of service.”

You are Invited to Join Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honors Society!

Membership is limited to students who have maintained a record of high academic achievement, and sociology faculty members. The criteria are described more fully below. Membership in Alpha Kappa Delta is an earned honor.

Once you join, you become a lifetime member. Your membership may be used on your resume, applications for graduate school, and job applications.

The Alpha Kappa Delta International Honors Society was founded in 1920 by sociologist Dr. E. S. Bogardus for the purposes of stimulating scholarship and promoting the scientific study of society. The name, Alpha Kappa Delta, represents the first three letters of three Greek words: *anthropon* (mankind), *katamanthanein* (to investigate thoroughly or to conduct research) and *diakonesein* (for the purpose of service). The name, freely interpreted, signifies social research for the purpose of service.

Today there are more than 700 chapters and more than 157,000 lifetime members. **We hope you will consider joining our membership!**

Advantages of Membership:

- free one-year subscription to *Sociological Inquiry*
- eligible to compete in AKD sponsored paper contests with cash prizes and travel money to participate in the American Sociological Association annual meeting
- eligibility for AKD funding to present at regional sociological meetings
- members may purchase honor cords for graduation ceremonies, AKD pins, and other memorabilia
- members who become Civil Service employees entering at the GS-5 level meet one of the requirements for entrance at the GS-7 level (an increase in paygrade) if AKD membership is listed on the application

Eligibility for Undergraduates:

- Must be a sociology major, minor, or demonstrate a serious interest in sociology by meeting the criteria below
- Must be classified as a junior or senior (i.e., completed at least 60 credit hours)
- Must hold an overall GPA of 3.3 or higher
- Must hold a 3.0 GPA or higher in sociology courses taken at Oklahoma State University
- Must have completed 4+ sociology courses at Oklahoma State University (excluding pass/fail courses)

Eligibility for M.S. and Ph.D. Students:

- Must officially be pursuing a Masters or Doctoral degree in Sociology at Oklahoma State University
- Must have completed at least one semester of graduate study
- Must hold a graduate GPA of “B” or better

How do You Join?

Undergraduate and graduate students who are interested in joining AKD must submit the following materials:

- ✓ Membership Application Form (see next page)
- ✓ An unofficial copy of your transcript
- ✓ Pay a one-time membership fee of \$50.00 by cash, check, Venmo, or Cashapp, payable to Jericho McElroy. Dr. McElroy will then write a complete check to AKD covering the cost of all new members.

Where do You Submit Your Application Materials?

Application materials should be mailed, emailed, or hand-delivered to Dr. Jericho McElroy.

Dr. Jericho McElroy

jericho.mcelroy@okstate.edu

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For More Information or to Apply to Join AKD, Contact:

Dr. Jericho McElroy

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When is Your Complete Application Due to Dr. McElroy?

Fall Semester Applicants: October 15

Spring Semester Applicants: February 15

Your certificate of membership may take up to 6 weeks to arrive. You will be notified when you will be able to receive this information and activate your free subscription to *Sociological Inquiry*.

Membership Application
Alpha Kappa Delta
The International Sociology Honor Society

*This form is for chapter records and verification. Please do not send this to the Executive Office.

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Street Address	City	State	ZIP Code
Personal Phone	E-Mail Address		
Major:	Minor/Concentration:		
Rank: Junior []	Senior []	Graduate Student []	

List sociology core courses and other sociology courses you have completed.

Course Number	Course Name	Grade Received	Credit Hours

I hereby give the faculty member serving as the AKD Chapter Representative permission to determine my eligibility for membership by verifying my grade point average and my percentile rank in overall scholarship (as a student).

Signature	Date
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Return this completed application to the AKD Chapter Representative at
Dr. Jericho McElroy (jericho.mcelroy@okstate.edu)
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Oklahoma State University
Stillwater, OK 74078

Deadline
Spring: February 15
Fall: October 15

Chapter Representative Use Only:			
Payment Received _____	Cumulative GPA _____	Class Rank/Cumulative GPA _____	Initials _____
This application is to be filed by the chapter. The Executive Office does not accept individual applications. Do not send this to the AKD Office. Please fill out the Order Form and List of Initiates to request new memberships.			