



2010 SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & GRANTS

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V.A. Leonard Scholarship Undergraduate & Graduate Scholarship

V.A. Leonard founded Alpha Phi Sigma in 1942. He received his Ph.D. in Criminology and Public Administration. The V.A. Leonard Scholarship was established in 1982 in honor and recognition of Dr. Leonard's leadership and hard work in the field of Criminal Justice.

This Scholarship is based on academic achievement, professional recommendations, and extracurricular activities. The recipients will each receive a scholarship of \$1,000 and a certificate. Applicants must:

- Follow the stipulated guidelines
- Submit a paper on "*My Conception of Alpha Phi Sigma.*" Describe your conception of Alpha Phi Sigma and what direction you would like to see the Honor Society take in the future in approximately 7 pages.
- Followed by "*Why I Deserve this Scholarship.*" In approximately 3 pages, state why you feel you deserve the scholarship and how you intend to use the scholarship money.
- Submit a copy of your most recent Transcript signed by your Chapter advisor.
- Submit 3 letters of Recommendations, preferably from faculty.

All Scholarship Applications and Awards Applications or Letters of Intent MUST be postmarked by: January 31, 2010.

Regina B. Shearn Scholarship Undergraduate and Graduate Scholarship

Dr. Regina B. Shearn is the first National Executive Director of Alpha Phi Sigma. Alpha Phi Sigma has grown considerably and continues to grow and thrive under her leadership and tutelage. The Regina B. Shearn Scholarship was established in 2001.

Recipients will each receive a scholarship of \$1,000 and a certificate. This Scholarship is based on academic performance, leadership and service, personal statement and evaluation reports.

Applicants must:

- Follow the stipulated guidelines
- Academic Performance – submit most recent Transcript, signed by your Chapter Advisor.
- Leadership and Service on the campus and in the community - submit a current copy of your Resume with leadership, service, honors/awards listed (on campus and in the community).
- Personal statement of educational perspective, purpose and objectives, approximately 6 pages.
- Evaluation reports from four individuals who are in a position to attest to the student's performance, citizenship, and character.



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Best Paper Competition

Undergraduate Scholarship, First & Second Place Graduate Scholarship, First & Second Place

First place will receive a scholarship of \$500 each and second place will receive \$250 each.

All applicants must follow the stipulated guidelines.

- Undergraduate Topic: "A Contemporary Issue in Criminal Justice" (7-10 pages)
- Graduate Topic: Graduate topic will coincide with the ACJS conference theme: "Beyond Our Boundaries: The Inclusivity of Criminal Justice Sciences" (7-10 pages)

Member of the Year Award

The winner will receive \$500 and a certificate. This award honors the member that best represents excellence in all four Alpha Phi Sigma "IDEALS"...*Service, Leadership, Unity, and Academic Excellence*. The chapter advisor may only nominate one student from the chapter. To nominate a student the advisor must submit:

- A letter of recommendation from the advisor stating why the member deserves the award.
- Chapter E-Board letter signed by all four officers of the local chapter, with at least $\frac{3}{4}$ of the current local chapter members' signatures, supporting this nomination.
- A copy of the student's most recent transcript.
- A list of the students' service, leadership, and professional activities.
- Student's Resume

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Corrected Guidelines

Dr. Jose A. Marques Memorial Scholarship Community Service Undergraduate Scholarship

The Dr. Jose A. Marques Scholarship is in honor and recognition of Dr. Marques' leadership and dedication in the field of criminal justice. He was a professor at Florida International University for over thirty years and a founding member of the criminal justice program. The Law Offices of Cecilia Armenteros, Miami, FL is sponsoring a \$1000 Scholarship to an undergraduate student who has demonstrated a strong commitment to academic excellence and community service.

Applicants must:

Academic Performance – submit the most recent transcript, signed by the applicant's Chapter Advisor.

Community Service – submit a copy of your Resume, listing community service involvement on and off campus. Write a (7) page essay, on "Why community service is an important part of my academic studies". (Supporting documents, such as videos, photos, letters, news articles, etc. are recommended).

Guidelines – all applicants must submit all application materials to the Law Offices of Cecilia Armenteros, P.A., 12550 Biscayne Boulevard, Suite 800, North Miami, Florida 33181 and postmarked no later than January 31st, 2010. A copy of the essay should also be submitted electronically to: Cecilia@armenterospa.com received no later than the above listed deadline. A panel consisting of the benefactor Cecilia Armenteros, Dr. Jose A. Marques' son Javier I. Marques, Chief of Staff to the current President of Florida International University and Dr. John McLaughlin will judge all entries and the award will be presented, at the National Conference. If the judges deem that the applicants have not met the standards set forth herein, or feel that they do not academically meet the level of work expected, no scholarship will be awarded.

- Applicants must be Alpha Phi Sigma members.
- Applicants must be enrolled in an academic program within two semesters after receiving the scholarship.
- Applicant will produce proof of enrollment or acceptance into a program.
- Scholarship monies must be applied to further student's higher education.
- Applicants are not eligible to receive the same scholarship two years in succession.



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ADVISOR & CHAPTER AWARDS

Advisor of the Year Award

Please mail a written recommendation, with a detailed letter stating why the chapter advisor deserves this honor. The local chapter executive board, and at least three fourths of the chapter's active members must support the nomination by signing a recommendation letter. The winning advisor will receive \$100 award and a certificate.

- Letter should include the advisor's rapport with the members, longevity, activities he or she has overseen or participated in, and his/her ability to motivate and lead.
- Advisor may receive award every 5 years.
- Advisor is not eligible to receive the advisor of the year award and advisor grant, in the same year.

Outstanding Chapter Goals Awards

Unity, Leadership & Service

The Goal Awards will be presented to the three chapters who have best shown exemplary efforts under each specific goal. An award of \$250 and a certificate will be presented to each of the three winning Chapters. One application entitles the Chapter for consideration for all three Goal Awards, but may be awarded only one of these coveted Awards.

- Chapters must submit a letter of intent to the National Headquarters, January 31st, 2010.
- Minutes and Supporting Materials such as, scrapbooks; press clippings; local Chapter's Newsletters; Chapter's appreciation letters must be brought to the National Conference for judging.

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Outstanding Yearbook Competition

The Chapter with the most outstanding yearbook will receive an award of \$100 and a certificate. To enter the Yearbook competition, chapters must submit:

- Letter of intent to the National Headquarters, by January 31st, 2010.
- Yearbooks must be brought to the National Conference for display & judging. Yearbooks will be judged on originality, creativity, content, and presentation
- Yearbook may include: photographs, newspaper clippings, local chapter newsletters, flyers, appreciation letters, and other items which illustrate the chapter's commitment to the ideals of Alpha Phi Sigma, throughout the year.

DO NOT send yearbook to National Headquarters

Web Page Competition

An award of \$50 and certificate will be presented to the Chapter with the most outstanding Web Page. There is no need for chapters to apply, as all chapter websites linked to the National Headquarters Website, www.alphaphisigma.org will be eligible.

NOTE: If your chapter website is not linked to National's, email the website address to:

Headquarters@alphaphisigma.org

***chapters visit the national website, to ensure that your current website is linked.**



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2010 Alpha Phi Sigma Community Service “Theme” Project Award

This year’s Alpha Phi Sigma theme is.....
“Prevent Violence Against Children”

Guidelines are as follows: One award of \$50 and a certificate will be presented to the Chapter with the most outstanding Theme project and Report. Each year at the National Conference, the National Officers will select a “Theme” for the year. Chapters will choose at least one community project to follow that “Theme” throughout the year.

Chapters entering this competition must:

- Submit a letter of intent to the National Headquarters, by January 31st, 2010.
- Create a Poster/Scrapbook which depicts the activity(ies) of the “Theme”
- Submit a Report which contains: (1) a letter written by the agency’s staff projects coordinator, stating and confirming the activities performed by the chapter and (2) a letter signed by the Chapter Advisor confirming the involvement of all the members who participated, by listing their names
- Poster/Scrapbook and Report must be brought to the National Conference for display and judging

DO NOT Send Poster/ Scrapbook/ Report to National Headquarters

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GUIDELINES

PAPER GUIDELINES

All “papers” submitted for scholarships/awards must follow the format specified below:

- Cover sheet: A cover sheet with title of paper, student’s name, address, phone number, college/university presently attending, student status (undergraduate, graduate), university and date initiated into AΦΣ, chapter name, chapter advisor, chapter president and chapter address
- There should be no identification of the student anywhere within the “paper,” only on the cover sheet
- Title page (separate from cover sheet) with the title of the paper only
- One page abstract, paper and work cited page
- Papers must be double spaced, 12pt Times New Roman font, and 1” margins
- The original “paper/application” plus five copies and a copy in Microsoft-WORD on CD ROM.

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

All application material must be sent to National Headquarters and postmarked no later than **January 31st, 2010**.

A panel of impartial ACJS & AΦΣ faculty members will judge all entries and the awards will be presented at the National Conference. If the judges deem the applicants have not met the standards set forth here, or feel they do not academically meet the level of work expected, no prizes will be awarded.

- Applicants must be Alpha Phi Sigma members, *application must include university and date initiated.*
- Applicants must be enrolled in an academic program within two semesters after receiving the scholarship
- Applicant will produce proof of enrollment or acceptance into a program
- Scholarship monies must be applied to further student’s higher education
- Applicants are not eligible to receive the same scholarship two years in succession.



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Chapter Grants

Budget: \$2000 is budgeted for Alpha Phi Sigma's Chapter Program Grant. All monies in the budget do not need to be distributed each year. Grant may be applied for more than one project. Specify each project in application and the amount of money requested.

Purpose: The purpose of the chapter program grant is to encourage chapters in their scholarly or service projects.

Examples of Chapter scholarly or service projects:

- * Install a plaque on campus with names of former and current Alpha Phi Sigma members
- * Fund a tutoring program staffed by members
- * Sponsor a lecture series or honorarium for speakers
- * Sponsor Honors Conference for high school students
- * Sponsor an "Academic Picnic"

Guidelines:

- Chapter must be in good standing with the National Headquarters (Annual dues must be up to date)
- Actively admit new members to National (Minimum of 10 new members a year)
- Submit a description of the scholarly or the service project to be funded
- Chapters' projects will be reviewed and awarded based on a first come first serve policy
- Awards may vary; but the maximum chapter award is \$200
- Application must be submitted at least a semester before the funds are to be used
- After project has been completed, chapter must submit an article on the scholarly/service program, to be printed in the national Docket (photos may be included)
- Chapter may receive only one project grant every 3 years
- Chapter may apply for grants any time of the year. Grants will be awarded throughout the year.

Procedures: Application must follow the format below

- University/College Name
- Local Chapter Name
- Address
- Approval Signature of Chapter Advisor
- Grant Amount Requested, not to exceed \$200
- Semester that the Grant is requested for
- Name and Description of the Project (not to exceed 2 pages)

Advisor Grants

Budget: \$2000 is budgeted for Alpha Phi Sigma Advisor's Grants. Eight awards of \$250 each will be given to recognize and encourage advisors; strengthen the chapter network; and promote the mission of Alpha Phi Sigma. These awards require a matching grant from other sources.

Purpose: The purpose of this award program is to recognize and encourage advisors of campus chapters, to strengthen the chapter network, and to promote the mission of Alpha Phi Sigma.

Description: Grants will be awarded for attendance at the Alpha Phi Sigma National Conference. Advisors will be eligible once every three years.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Be a current active member and an advisor of an Alpha Phi Sigma chapter for least one year. (limit one advisor per chapter)
- Commit to at least a 2 year term as advisor after the National Conference
- Obtain a matching grant from the unit administrator or other campus source (e.g. provost's office; student affairs; alumni association) or an APS alumni chapter or personal funds. (This grant and its match are not guaranteed to fund all expenses of the National Conference).

Procedures:

- File application at least the Summer/Fall semester before the Conference. Applications which meet eligibility criteria will be accepted on a first come, first serve policy and will be announced immediately.
- Applications will be accepted until grant money is depleted.
- Application must follow the format below
 - ◆ Advisor's Name
 - ◆ University/College Name
 - ◆ Local Chapter Name
 - ◆ Address, Telephone number and E-mail Address
 - ◆ Matching Grant Source
 - ◆ Statement: I agree to accept the conditions of the grant as stated above
 - ◆ Signature and Date



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Advisor/Chapter Grant Program

Social Responsibility:
The Power of the Criminal Justice Honor Society
to Make a Difference.
A Chapter Leadership Project

Program Description:

The goal of this grant program is to encourage cross-campus collaboration and new initiatives among student organizations related to social responsibility.

Five \$500 grants are available for pilot projects to achieve the following objective:

Conduct initiative or pilot project related to social responsibility, or Strengthen current social responsibility or sustainability initiative of individuals and the campus.

Eligibility and Criteria:

The project must:

- Address one of the elements of the Seven Wonders of the Socially Responsible World.
- Include two or more honor societies on campus – other student organizations may be included in addition to at least one honor societies.
- Complete and report the outcomes of the project conducted during the academic year.

The Grant Funding is intended as an honorarium of \$100 to the Advisor for facilitating and reporting on the outcomes of this pilot project and \$400 for implementing the pilot project. The grant will be awarded after the project proposal is received and approved by AFS Headquarters. Any additional funds for the project should be provided by the honor societies and student organizations participating or by fundraising activities (including institutional or corporate grants).

How to Apply:

The proposal should provide the following information:

- Advisor name, chapter name, college/university, address, telephone number, and email address.
- Proposed participating honor societies and student organizations on your campus
- Proposed time frame for the project
- How the project will benefit the campus and students
- How the project will be publicized
- Additional information that will support the proposal
- Submit the proposal electronically to:

Dr. Regina Shearn, AΦΣ Executive Director

Director@AlphaPhiSigma.org



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The following is a description of the Chapter Leadership Project: (a) an overview of the elements of social responsibility (Seven Wonders of the Socially Responsible World) and (b) the Action Planning Activity.

Social Responsibility: The Power of the Criminal Justice Honor Society to Make a Difference A Chapter Leadership Project



Directions: Facilitate the following activity to identify a chapter project. Provide copies of this worksheet for participants.

(A) Overview: **The Seven Wonders of the Socially Responsible World**

Peace and Security

Conflicts among nations and groups are resolved through principled negotiation, mediation, and arbitration; war and terrorism have become relics of the past. Within nations all peoples live with security of the person, free from arbitrary arrest and imprisonment

Education

All the world's peoples are literate in their native language and have access to education, which will enable them to reach their potential.

Environment

All the world's peoples live in environments favorable to health in body, mind, and spirit. They live in harmony with their environments in a manner that sustains the long-term health of the air, water, soil, and the other living things with which they share the planet.

Health

All the world's peoples have access to safe drinking water, nourishing food, vaccinations against lethal diseases, and medicines and health care when they are ill.

Social Justice

All the world's peoples have access to fundamental justice and due process. They have access to methods of expressing legitimate grievances and having these addressed, without resorting to violence or other illegitimate means.

Prosperity

All the world's peoples have incomes adequate to meet their needs for food, clothing, and shelter. Further, they have the opportunity and means to develop their personal potential for self-actualization.

Innovation/Technology

The focus of innovation is on the development of technologies that heal the planet, eliminate poverty, and increase the health and well being of all the world's peoples.

The objectives of this project are to identify

- Opportunities and design initiatives or pilot projects related to social responsibility, or
- Opportunities to strengthen current social responsibility or sustainability initiatives of individuals and the campus, and
- Opportunities to create cross-campus collaborations and new initiatives among student organizations.



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(B) Activity:

Working in groups of 3-5 people, list 2-3 needs regarding social responsibility on your campus.

Prioritize the needs – The top priority is:_____.

Write objective to achieve the top priority need (use strong verb to convey outcome).

Share in Large Group, and choose the top priority for action.

Priority:

Action Plan - Action Steps:

What, How	Who	When	Budget

How will achievement of the plan be evaluated and by whom?

Report plans and outcomes to AΦΣ at Director@AlphaPhiSigma.org

The “seven wonders” are based upon the following reference: Sachs, J. (2008). Common wealth: Economics for a Crowded Planet. New York: Penguin Press.