Established in April 2011, the UT Dallas chapter of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is designed to recognize the academic achievements of our most outstanding students. With its long and distinguished history as the country’s oldest, largest, and most selective multidisciplinary honor society, Phi Kappa Phi first and foremost exemplifies academic and personal excellence. I view the establishment of our chapter as a remarkable opportunity to nurture a community of scholars comprised of our faculty, students, staff and alumni that will add substantially to our growth as an institution. This community will be rich with traditions, creativity, and the diversity that our membership will bring.

Membership in the society is by invitation and based upon exceptional academic achievement among undergraduates and graduates in their respective disciplines. Invitations are made to students in the Fall, with one induction ceremony taking place in the late Fall semester. Detailed information about the qualifications for membership can be found in our chapter bylaws on this page. I encourage you to browse the information about the awards and scholarships available to Phi Kappa Phi members and the information about member benefits available through the national organization. These awards and benefits present our members and the university community as a whole with tremendous opportunities for academic and professional growth.

Without question, the greatest strength of UT Dallas is our people. Our culture is one that embraces and celebrates scholastic achievement, creative talents, and diverse pathways to success. These same values define Phi Kappa Phi and help guarantee the success and longevity of our chapter. I look forward to welcoming new inductees into our chapter and to expanding our activities in the coming year. Thank you for visiting our website and please do not hesitate to contact us if we can answer any questions.

Sincerely yours,
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About Phi Kappa Phi

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine, Phi Kappa Phi is the nation’s oldest, largest, and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines. Its chapters are on more than 300 campuses in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines. Each year, approximately 30,000 members are initiated. Since its founding, Phi Kappa Phi has initiated more than 1 million members into its ranks; all of these members have received emblems and certificates of membership. However, Phi Kappa Phi is much more than an emblem and a line on a résumé. It is a global network comprised of the best and brightest from all academic disciplines - a community of scholars and professionals building an enduring legacy for future generations.