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DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS - MAY 1

As a Pi Gamma Mu member, you could qualify for a \$2,500 award to attend graduate school. Click [here](#) to learn about last year's scholarship recipients. Why not be one of the next awardees?

Eligibility Requirements:

- Only members of Pi Gamma Mu are eligible.
- Scholarships are intended for first time graduate students. Students who have already earned an advanced degree are not eligible to apply.
- The degree program must be in one of the following areas of study: anthropology, criminal justice, economics, geography-human, gerontology, history, history of education, human services, international relations, political science, psychology, social philosophy, sociology, social work, as well as related interdisciplinary programs anchored in the Social Sciences, particularly those that focus on age, environment, ethnicity, gender, race, and regional studies.
- Business Administration is specifically excluded from consideration.
- Other interdisciplinary fields will be considered on an individual basis based upon the degree to which the social sciences are an integral component of the overall course of study. In such



cases, applicants should submit a program description outlining requirements and coursework.

Exclusions:

Previous recipients of Pi Gamma Mu scholarships are not eligible to apply again. Awardees must be enrolled in the fall semester of the calendar year in which the scholarship is granted.

To encourage interdisciplinary scholarship, no more than three awards in the same social science discipline will be granted annually.

Deadline:

The annual deadline is May 1, 2026.

How to Apply:

The scholarship application and all attachments (other than official transcripts) should be submitted via the online [Scholarship Portal](#). You will require a Google account. The following components are required:

- Student application form.
- Complete all required fields. Incomplete forms will not be considered.
- Personal statement.
 - Submit a personal essay (about 500 - 750 words) stating why you have chosen your field of graduate study and what you hope to achieve by a career in this field. What are your future goals related to your graduate studies? What special qualities/skills/training/expertise do you possess that will likely make you a success in your graduate work? Importantly, what do you hope to contribute to the field of social science?
- Resume.
- Provide your most recent resume, including academic and work history, any research experience, and service to the community.
- Recommendations.
 - Provide the names of at least three people who will be providing you with recommendations using our online form. The recommendations should be made by individuals qualified to assess your academic merit within the social sciences. Send the following link to your references:
<https://forms.gle/TzgeTwKaEPWJqF9v9>
 - Note: It is the responsibility of applicants to ensure that recommendations have been submitted.
- Unofficial transcripts.

- Upload a copy of unofficial transcripts from all institutions of higher learning attended. Scholarship winners will be required to provide official transcripts that include the school's stamp or seal.

Notification of Awards:

Winners will be notified in late spring or summer, with the grants awarded in the fall.

Questions? Please contact Pi Gamma Mu Executive Director Suzanne Rupp at suzannerupp@pigammamu.org

The International Board of Trustees funds these scholarships, with support from donors who have indicated their support of this scholarship program with their financial gifts to Pi Gamma Mu.

SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS:

A friend of Pi Gamma Mu may endow a \$2500-per-year named scholarship for a one-time donation of \$50,000. The scholarship may be named for the donor or for someone whom the donor wants to honor or memorialize. For further information, contact Pi Gamma Mu's international office at (620) 221-3128.

CALL FOR FACULTY SPEAKERS (Speaker Series)

Dear Chapter Sponsors,

We are currently accepting proposals for the [Pi Gamma Mu Speaker Series](#) in the 2026-2027 Academic Year. The Pi Gamma Mu Speaker Series showcases the research interests and areas of expertise of faculty sponsors. Lectures are open to all Pi Gamma Mu members and are hosted on Zoom.

If you would like to speak, please send your proposal to Allison G. S. Knox, First Vice President: Allison_G.S._Knox@hotmail.com.

2027 PI GAMMA MU TRIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

SAVE THE DATE!

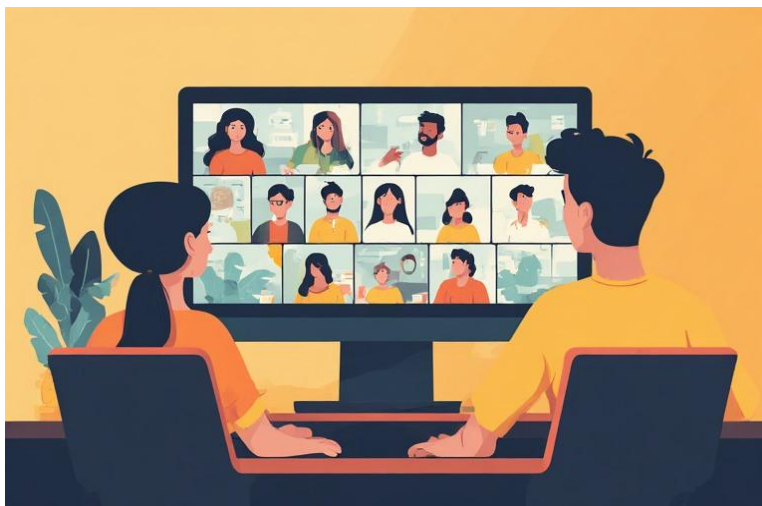
Plan to attend the 2027 Pi Gamma
Mu Triennial International
Convention

November 4, 5, and 6, 2027

Location: Online

Events will include:

- Student Paper Presentations
- Student Representative Election
- Keynote Speakers
- Student Research Posters
- Chapter Posters
- Roundtables
- Leadership Development Program
- Networking opportunities
- And more...



Learn more at <https://pigammamu.org/convention-2027.html>

APPLY FOR A PI GAMMA MU LECTURESHIP AND CHAPTER EVENT GRANT

The Trustees of Pi Gamma Mu have established the Lectureship and Chapter Events Fund for the purpose of advancing the social sciences and researching and eliminating all forms of discrimination. Funds may be used by chapters in the following two ways: 1) to bring a specially qualified speaker to campus for a chapter event, or 2) to help cover expenses related to a chapter hosting a scholarship-based event for students. The Fund serves as a memorial to deceased Trustees of this honor society. The Trustees encourage chapters to apply.

Lectureship Guidelines

The amount available for a lecture may range up to \$300 depending on chapter size (see "Funding Guidelines" below). The topic of the lecture must be related to one or more of the fields within the scope of Pi Gamma Mu (see the [Constitution](#)). The lecturer should have special qualifications and must be a guest, not a member of the local faculty, administration, or staff. If approved, a check will be sent to the responsible chapter officer for presentation to the lecturer.

Chapter Event Guidelines

The amount available for a lecture may range up to \$300 depending on chapter size (see "Funding Guidelines" below). Chapters of Pi Gamma Mu hosting a scholarship-based event, such as a student research conference or symposium, may apply for funding of up to \$300 depending on chapter size. Funds may be used to help cover costs related to hosting the event. If approved, a check will be sent to the chapter officer.

Funding Guidelines

Chapters must have initiated members in the previous or current fiscal year to be eligible to apply.

A limited number of grants are available annually.

Grants are awarded in the following amounts based on the number of new members initiated in the previous or the current fiscal year (September 1 – August 31):

1	-	10	members	\$100
11	-	20	members	\$200
21+			members	\$300

Please mention Pi Gamma Mu as a funding supporter in the event program/marketing materials. We strongly encourage that a copy of the manuscript of the lecture, a copy of the event program, and/or photos of the event be sent to executivedirector@pigammamu.org for possible publication in the [International Social Science Review](#) or the Pi Gamma Mu [Newsletter](#).

Filing of this [application](#) includes acceptance by the applicant of conditions set forth on this form.

Submit application, at least **three** weeks before the lecture, to:

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