

### SIGMA DELTA PI UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS, 2009

Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society, is pleased to announce the following 23 awards for its Undergraduate Summer Scholarship program in 2009:

1. Four (4) scholarships for study in Spain at the *Estudio Internacional Sempere (EIS)* centers in Madrid and Salamanca. The *EIS* scholarships consist of free tuition for four, six or eight weeks of study (20 hours per week). *EIS* will provide these scholarships. *EIS* winners must pay the cost of room and meals while in Spain. Sigma Delta Pi will provide to the scholarship winners a stipend that may be used toward travel to Spain. These scholarships are more appropriate for applicants who are non-native speakers of Spanish.
2. One (1) scholarship for study in Ecuador at the *Estudio Internacional Sempere (EIS)* in Cuenca. The *EIS* scholarship consists of free tuition for four, six or eight weeks of study (20 hours per week). *EIS* will provide this scholarship. The *EIS* winner must pay the cost of room and meals while in Cuenca. Sigma Delta Pi will provide to the scholarship winner a stipend that may be used toward travel to Ecuador. This scholarship is more appropriate for applicants who are non-native speakers of Spanish.
3. Ten (10) scholarships for study at the *Universidad Internacional / The Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies* of Cuernavaca, Mexico. The amount of the scholarship will cover the cost of tuition, room, and meals for a four-week course of study. *The Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies* will provide four of these scholarships; for two of these, Sigma Delta Pi will cover lodging and meals. Sigma Delta Pi will also provide to the scholarship winners a stipend that may be used toward travel to Mexico. These scholarships are appropriate for applicants of all levels of Spanish.
4. *Becas Rosita del Corral*: Eight (8) scholarships for study in Bolivia (Sucre, May 19-June 14), Ecuador (Quito, June 15-July 12), or Peru (Cusco, July 13-August 9) at the *Academia Latinoamericana de Español*. The *Academia* scholarships include free tuition, room and two meals per day for a four-week course of study. The *Academia* will provide four of these scholarships. Sigma Delta Pi will provide to the scholarship winners a stipend that may be used toward travel to Bolivia, Ecuador or Peru. These scholarships are appropriate for applicants of all levels of Spanish.

SIGMA DELTA PI is grateful to Mr. Juan Manuel Sempere of the *Estudio Internacional Sempere*; Mr. Javier Espinosa of the *Universidad Internacional / The Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies*; and Dr. Diego del Corral of the *Academia Latinoamericana de Español* for their generosity in providing support for these awards.

**THE T. EARLE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP.** This award is named in memory of Honorary President and President Emeritus, T. Earle Hamilton, who died October 2, 1996. Hamilton served as President of Sigma Delta Pi for a total of fifteen years (1960-68 and 1972-77). The highest ranked applicant who accepts one of the scholarships for study in Spanish America will receive this award. The scholarship will consist of a supplement to the basic award.

**THE RICHARD E. CHANDLER SCHOLARSHIP.** This award is named in honor of President Emeritus and Honorary President, Richard E. Chandler. He served as President of Sigma Delta Pi for a total of fifteen years (1977-92) during which time 141 new chapters were installed. The highest ranked applicant who accepts one of the scholarships for study in Spain will receive this award. The scholarship will consist of a supplement to the basic award.

**RULES GOVERNING THE SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION**

**CRITERIA.** To be eligible to receive one of the awards listed above, an undergraduate student must meet the following minimal requirements: (1) must be a Spanish major or minor; (2) must be of at least junior standing; (3) must be an active (elected) member of Sigma Delta Pi; (4) must have a superior academic record; (5) must be enrolled on February 2, 2009 as a full-time undergraduate student; (6) must have earned grades in at least 12 semester or 18 quarter hours of Spanish courses; (7) must be nominated in writing by the chapter adviser; (8) must submit five copies of a fully completed official application form **together with** all required documentation. Graduate students are not eligible.

**PREVIOUS WINNERS, WHETHER THEY ACCEPTED OR DECLINED A SCHOLARSHIP, MAY NOT APPLY.**

**CHOICE OF Spain or Spanish America.** Undergraduate Summer Scholarship applicants must indicate their preferences to study either in Spain or Spanish America. Applicants for Spanish America must indicate their preference for Bolivia, Ecuador, Mexico or Peru. Choices by top applicants for Spanish America will be given greatest consideration.

**OFFICIAL APPLICATION FORM.** Applicants must use the official 2009 Undergraduate Scholarship Application form that accompanies this announcement and is downloadable at [www.sigmadeltapi.org/schol.html](http://www.sigmadeltapi.org/schol.html).

**DUPLICATION OF APPLICATION FORMS.** Forms may be duplicated, preferably front and back, by local chapters.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS.** All applications must be postmarked not later than February 2, 2009. Those postmarked after this date will not be considered.

**JUDGING APPLICATIONS.** Two sub-committees (one for Spain; one for Spanish America) of three judges each will be appointed by Professor Charles B. Moore, Committee Chair of the Sigma Delta Pi Undergraduate Summer Scholarship Competition for the 2008/09 academic year. Working independently and with a given set of criteria, the judges will select the winners. Their decision will be final.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS.** Winners will be notified around April 1, 2009.

**USE OF SCHOLARSHIPS.** Sigma Delta Pi scholarships MUST be used solely for the purposes stated above, i.e. for study in Spain or Spanish America, and for the length of time specified. Undergraduate summer scholarships must be used during the summer of 2009 and **may not** be used for research purposes only or to participate in established college or university-sponsored/directed study abroad programs. Permission will not be made to alter any of these stipulations. Possible transfer credit must be coordinated with the student's college or university, not with Sigma Delta Pi.

**RESPONSIBILITIES OF WINNERS.** By **October 1, 2009**, each scholarship winner **must send** via e-mail ([delmastrom@citadel.edu](mailto:delmastrom@citadel.edu)) a passport-size photograph (.jpg or .gif file) and an essay (Word format) of approximately 200 words in Spanish describing the experience of studying abroad to the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, who is also Editor of *ENTRE NOSOTROS*: **Professor Mark P. Del Mastro** ([delmastrom@citadel.edu](mailto:delmastrom@citadel.edu)).

**Awardees unable to undertake the study abroad provided by the scholarship must inform the Executive Secretary-Treasurer ([delmastrom@citadel.edu](mailto:delmastrom@citadel.edu)) immediately and will return to him their stipend. If they fail to inform the Executive Secretary-Treasurer by May 15, 2009 and in sufficient time to award their scholarship to another student, understanding that arrangements have already been made for funding their study abroad, they will be required to reimburse Sigma Delta Pi for the cost of their scholarship.**

*If a Chair of the Undergraduate Summer Scholarship Competition and/or a judging committee member is also a chapter adviser, then their chapter is eligible for no more than one (1) undergraduate summer scholarship. An exception may be made if 1) the number of applicants is less than the number of available awards and/or 2) the President, in consultation with the Executive Secretary-Treasurer, concludes that the quality of the applicant pool is deficient.*

**WHERE TO SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS.** **FIVE SEPARATE STAPLED SETS** of the completed application and required documentation must be forwarded **together** to:

**Professor Charles B. Moore  
Box 7295, World Languages, Gardner-Webb University  
Boiling Springs, NC 28017**

**THE COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM AND ALL RELATED MATERIALS MUST BE SENT TOGETHER  
OR THEY WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

**THIS APPLICATION IS FOR (choose only one):**

\_\_\_\_\_Spain \_\_\_\_\_Spanish America

**For Spanish America, please select country:**

\_\_\_\_\_No preference \_\_\_\_\_Bolivia only \_\_\_\_\_Ecuador only \_\_\_\_\_Mexico only \_\_\_\_\_Peru only



**APPLICATION FOR A SIGMA DELTA PI UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER SCHOLARSHIP**

**NOTICE: After completing this application, please make four photocopies of this form, the transcript(s), the letter of nomination from your chapter adviser, and the letters of recommendation. Send them together with the originals as SEPARATE STAPLED SETS (5 copies in all) to:**

**Professor Charles B. Moore, Box 7295, World Languages  
Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, NC 28017**

**The completed application and all related materials MUST BE SENT TOGETHER OR THEY WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

**DEADLINE:** Your application must be postmarked no later than **February 2, 2009**. Those postmarked after that date will not be considered.

X \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

My signature above certifies that:

- a. I have read and completely understand "Form 1-A" circulated with this application form.
- b. I am a Spanish major or minor.
- c. I am an active (elected) member of Sigma Delta Pi.
- d. I am enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student on February 2, 2009.
- e. The statement beginning on page 3 of this application was written solely by me, and I did not receive help from anyone in composing or correcting it.

1. Full name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Present (school) address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Until what date will you be at the above address? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Permanent (home) address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

When will you be at this address? \_\_\_\_\_

If you change address, please notify us immediately and give telephone number.

4. The name and school address of my Sigma Delta Pi chapter adviser is:

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e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATIONAL RECORD

TRANSCRIPTS: Include with your application one original certified copy and four photocopies—**5 copies in all**—of an updated transcript from each college or university you have attended. **Please do not ask registrars to forward copies since they sometimes arrive after the deadline.**

1. CLASSIFICATION (check one): \_\_\_\_\_ JUNIOR      \_\_\_\_\_ SENIOR
2. Number of \_\_\_\_ semester / \_\_\_\_ quarter (check one) hours of college Spanish courses completed: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Grade point average in all Spanish courses completed: \_\_\_\_\_ on a base of \_\_\_\_\_
4. Cumulative grade point average in all college studies: \_\_\_\_\_ on a base of \_\_\_\_\_
5. Other academic honors (scholarships, awards, dean's list, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List here your extracurricular activities. This is intended to show that while maintaining a superior academic record you have participated in nonacademic affairs of student life. Please make special mention of your participation in the activities of your Sigma Delta Pi chapter.

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REFERENCES

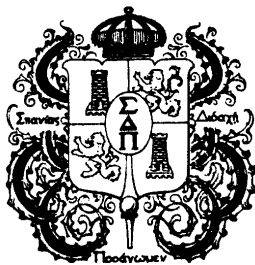
Enclose with this application the original and four copies—**5 copies in all**—of letters of recommendation from two of your college Spanish teachers who can attest to your scholastic achievements and aptitude.

CHAPTER ENDORSEMENT

Enclose with this application the original and four copies—**5 copies in all**—of a letter from your Sigma Delta Pi chapter adviser which states that your chapter recommends you for a Sigma Delta Pi scholarship. In smaller departments where the second of the aforementioned college Spanish teachers is also your chapter adviser, their letter may serve as both a chapter endorsement and an endorsement of your scholastic achievements and aptitude, thereby eliminating the need for three total letters of recommendation.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

On this page write in your own words either in English or in Spanish (typed if possible) a brief but comprehensive statement of at least 200 words about your reasons for majoring or minoring in Spanish, your career plans, how a Sigma Delta Pi scholarship will help you, how you may be able in the future to support the goals and ideals of Sigma Delta Pi, etc. If you have already spent extensive time abroad—more than two weeks—explain the experience (amount of time, place, etc,) and why you still believe this scholarship will benefit you. You may continue on the reverse side if necessary. **This statement must be your own work and you are not to receive help in the writing or correcting of it.** Notice that your signature on page 1 attests to this fact. Please include the original and 4 copies—**5 copies in all**—of this statement with your complete application.



## 2009 SIGMA DELTA PI SCHOLARSHIPS Chapter Adviser Ranking Form

For chapters with more than one applicant, chapter advisers must complete, sign and date the following ranking form. #1 refers to the most outstanding applicant as judged by the chapter adviser and based upon the information provided with the candidate's application packet. Please rank your chapter's applicants by filling in their names in the appropriate numbered spaces below (#1 is most qualified based upon the application information):

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) \_\_\_\_\_
- 6) \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Chapter Adviser

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
College or University

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Chapter

**DEADLINE:** This form and four copies—5 copies in all—must be postmarked no later than **February 2, 2009**. **Forms received after this date will disqualify the applications of all students from the chapter in question.**

Chapter Adviser, please send this completed form and four copies—5 copies in all—to:

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Box 7295, World Languages  
Gardner-Webb University  
Boiling Springs, NC 28017**

**Chapters with multiple applicants must have their chapter adviser complete this form for applications to be considered.**