

**Alpha Kappa Delta
International Sociology Honor Society
Application Form**

Department of Sociology
Western Washington University

In the fall of 2001, Western's sociology department established the Washington "Eta" chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD), the international sociology honor society. AKD was established in 1920 at the University of Southern California, and now has over 80,000 members within its 480 chapters. AKD describes itself as "a non-secret, democratic, international society of scholars dedicated to the ideal of Anthropon Katamanthanein Diakonesein or 'to investigate humanity for the purpose of service.' [Its purpose is] to promote excellence in scholarship in the study of sociology, research of social problems, and such other social and intellectual activities as will lead to improvement of the human condition."

As a member of this society, you will receive a lifetime membership in AKD, a membership certificate, and a one-year subscription to the sociology journal, *Sociological Inquiry*. You will also be eligible to wear an honor cord at graduation, marking your membership in the international sociology honor society. Finally, becoming a member of AKD will make you eligible to enter the annual undergraduate student paper competition. Awards for this competition include cash, scholarship money for graduate school, travel expenses to professional meetings, and consideration of your paper for publication in a professional journal. The cost is a one-time fee of \$40—your membership will never expire! (There are a limited number of scholarships available through the sociology department for students who are unable to join because of the dues. Please fill out the "financial assistance" section on the back of this form if you qualify for and are interested in AKD, but need financial assistance to join.) To find out more about AKD, visit their website at: <http://sites.google.com/site/alphakappadeltainternational/>

ELIGIBILITY

To become a member, you must meet AKD's eligibility requirements, which are listed below. Submit this form (both sides) and your transcript (for verification; an unofficial copy is fine) to Jen Lois in the sociology department (Arntzen Hall, 510) anytime after Fall grades are in (your unofficial transcript must show your most recent grades), but no later than **February 17, 2012**.

Upon initiation, students must meet **ALL** of the requirements on the following checklist:

- I am an officially declared sociology major (or demonstrate a serious interest in sociology within an official program) at Western.
- I am at least a junior (third year) by Western's standards.
- I have accumulated the equivalent of an overall grade point average of 3.3.
- I have maintained at least a 3.0 grade point average in sociology courses taken at Western prior to initiation.
- I have completed at least four regular courses in sociology at Western.
- I have included an unofficial copy of my transcript for verification of the above criteria.

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Applicant's Information

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| Last Name | First Name | M.I. | Student Number |
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| Permanent Address | | | Phone Number |
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| Local Address | | | Phone Number |
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| Major | Minor | Email Address | |

PLEASE include your **payment of \$40 or fill out the section below. (Make checks payable to the Department of Sociology, Western Washington University.)

Financial Assistance Section (Optional):

Please provide a brief statement describing your need for scholarship funds.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____