

# ALPHA CHI NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

## 2017 Graduate Student and Alumni Member Fellowships

Deadline: February 15



**Pryor Graduate Fellowships:** Alpha Chi will award up to two Pryor Fellowships, typically one of \$6,000 to a member in a doctoral program who has completed at least two years of graduate or professional study beyond the baccalaureate degree and one of \$4,000 to a member for the first or second year of graduate or professional study beyond the baccalaureate degree.

### **Eligibility**

This competition is for members of Alpha Chi who have already received their baccalaureate degree at the time of application and who will be enrolled in full-time graduate or professional study in the fall of 2017. Previous winners of the Pryor Fellowship are not eligible. After classes have begun for the fall 2017 semester, a recipient will receive the award after Alpha Chi receives from the college official notification of the student's full-time enrollment.

### **Pryor Competition Requirements**

- 1) The official nominee's application form completed and submitted according to the accompanying procedures.
- 2) A letter from the applicant outlining his/her plans for study and detailing his/her extracurricular activities but not indicating financial need. The maximum length for this letter will be two pages, double-spaced, and submitted according to the accompanying procedures.
- 3) An academic paper or other appropriate work in the applicant's major field. *This is the most important aspect of the application*; it will be judged for clarity, originality, and correctness of form. In the case of a submission emphasizing nonverbal material, the application must also include the applicant's written explanation that demonstrates an understanding of the theoretical basis for the project or subject matter.
  - Papers must be submitted as a Microsoft Word document according to the accompanying instructions. Papers will be submitted to Turnitin.com before the announcement of winners is made. If plagiarism is found, any award slated for that nominee will be given to the highest-ranking alternate.
  - Other media such as photographs, videos, audio recordings, photographed art, etc., must be saved in common file formats.
  - If the submission represents a cooperative project, the applicant must specifically delineate his/her contribution, or the entry will be disqualified. Append this explanation to the letter of application.
  - Scientific papers or projects should begin with an abstract.
- 4) The official assessment form addressing the significance of the submission. This must be completed and submitted by a faculty member in the field represented by the applicant's paper or project. (See the accompanying procedures for access to and instructions for submitting this assessment form.)
- 5) One letter of recommendation from an employer, professor, or other person qualified to give an evaluation of the nominee's character and academic potential. This cannot be the chapter sponsor or the person providing the assessment form. The letter should be sent to [scholarships@alphachihonor.org](mailto:scholarships@alphachihonor.org) by the person writing the recommendation.
- 6) An official transcript (electronic or mailed) on which all graduate work has been consolidated.
- 7) A copy of official results of GRE, LSAT, MCAT, or equivalent, if such has been taken and is applicable to the applicant's discipline.

Only complete submissions will receive consideration, and no additional materials will be considered.

### **How to Apply**

Beginning fall 2016, Pryor Fellowship applicants may apply directly to Alpha Chi without involving\* an Alpha Chi chapter sponsor. The applicant is responsible for following the accompanying procedures so each element of the electronic application packet is received by the National Office no later than February 15, 2017.

\*If the applicant is attending an Alpha Chi institution at the time of application, that chapter may consider the applicant its national scholarship nominee to fulfill a requirement of Star Chapter Award status.

