



# Pi Sigma Alpha

The National Political Science Honor Society

## **Pi Sigma Alpha, Psi Omega Chapter**

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### **An Invitation to Join Pi Sigma Alpha**

Thank you for your interest in the University of California, San Diego's chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the national Political Science Honor Society. The chapter recognizes majors in political science who have demonstrated superior scholarship. The chapter seeks to provide its members with access to professionals in the field of political science and to the faculty at UCSD as well as opportunities to interact with fellow honors students in the major. The chapter particularly solicits membership from individuals who will be active and play a leading role in the chapter's programs.

Due to the reputation of Pi Sigma Alpha as a respected honor society within the field of Political Science, the members of the Psi Omega Chapter have established a high standard of academic achievement within the Political Science major as a prerequisite for membership. Specifically, to be eligible for membership in UCSD's Psi Omega Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, a student must have:

- Completed at least seven (7) political science courses, including at least three (3) upper division courses (transfer students must have completed at least two (2) of the three upper division courses at the University of California, San Diego);
- Maintained no less than a 3.60 GPA in all political science courses taken at UCSD; and
- Declared political science as a major of study *or* declared a concentration in political science within an interdisciplinary major such as international studies at the University of California, San Diego.

If you have further questions regarding Pi Sigma Alpha, please contact us at [psa@ucsd.edu](mailto:psa@ucsd.edu) or contact our chapter advisor (Philip G. Roeder) at [proeder@ucsd.edu](mailto:proeder@ucsd.edu). Again, thank you for your interest in Pi Sigma Alpha and we look forward to working with you during the school year.

### **How to Apply for Membership**

1. Please complete the membership form.
2. Submit your completed form to the front desk of the Department of Political Science. The schedule of initiations and corresponding deadlines for applications is as follows:

<u>Initiation:</u>	<u>Deadline for application:</u>
End of Fall Quarter	End of first week of Fall Quarter
End of Winter Quarter	End of first week of Winter Quarter
End of Spring Quarter	End of first week of Spring Quarter
3. One of the Political Science Undergraduate Advisors will verify your eligibility for membership. You will be notified within a few days whether your application has been approved.
4. After you have been notified of your eligibility, you will be asked to submit a check for the initiation fee and chapter dues. The check should be made out to the UC Regents and should show your student identification number on the front.
5. Your membership will be registered and a certificate will be printed at the national office of Pi Sigma Alpha in Washington, DC. The Department staff will mail your certificate to you once it arrives.