

# Sigma Delta Pi, National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society: Chapter Omega Gamma

#### **Mission Statement**

Our goal, as the Omega Gamma Chapter of Abilene Christian University is an extension of the goals of Sigma Delta Pi- National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society, promoting Spanish language and Hispanic cultures through activities and service to our campus and the community that surrounds us.

#### Constitution

#### Article I. Name

The name of the organization shall be Chapter Omega Gamma of Sigma Delta Pi, National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society.

# Article II. Purposes of Sigma Delta Pi

The Chapter Omega Gamma shares the same purposes articulated in Article II of our National by-laws:

- To honor those who attain excellence in the study of the Spanish language and In the study of the literature and culture of the Spanish-speaking peoples
- To honor those who have made the Hispanic contributions to modern culture better known in the English-speaking world
- To encourage college and university students to acquire a greater interest in and a deeper understanding of Hispanic culture

- To foster friendly relations and mutual respect between the nations of Hispanic speech and those of English speech
- To serve its membership in ways which will contribute to the attainment of the goals and ideals of the society.

#### **Article III. Affiliation**

• Sigma Delta Pi shall be affiliated with Abilene Christian University's Department of Language and Literature

# Article IV. Membership

- Membership should be limited to students studying Spanish who meet academic requirements according to the Society's national by-laws as found at https://sigmadeltapi.org/chapter-resources/national-by-laws/
- Membership is limited to students in good standing with Abilene Christian University
- Membership and privileges, including officer positions, must be extended to all students without regard of age, ethnicity, gender, disability, color, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation or veteran status
- Membership shall begin upon induction into the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society

# **Article V. Dues and Payments**

- Membership dues shall be paid before induction into the society
- One time initial membership dues shall be the same for every member, becoming members for life with no additional dues required

#### **Article VI. Elections**

- The election of officers shall take place every year at the discretion of the Chapter's adviser, in consultation with the previous year's officers.
- Officer positions will fulfill the Chapter's activities needs: President, VicePresident, Secretary, Historian. Depending on the amount of active members on campus, the Chapter may elect up to six officers, adding Communications and Events Coordinator.

• To be elected officer, a student must be a member of Sigma Delta Pi, and must be on campus for the full academic year of his/her term as a Sigma Delta Pi officer.

## **Article VII. Faculty Adviser**

- Must be a faculty member of the Department of Language and Literature at Abilene Christian University.
- Adviser calls all officers to general meetings
- Organizes and sets the dates for the New Members Induction Ceremony every semester
- Coordinates the application process for new/upcoming members of Omega Gamma
- Must be present at all meetings of the Chapter or send a proxy
- Knows the rules and regulations of Sigma Delta Pi and is in contact with SDP National on a consistent basis

## **Article VIII. Meetings**

- Adviser will call on general meetings, where all officers must be present.
- Meetings are dependent on activities envisioned for the semester.

#### Article IX. Officers

President- Chief officer of SDP Omega Gamma, must serve for an academic year

- Responsibilities include: Meeting with adviser on a regular basis. Organizing and delegating functions among officers in regards to all activities. Speaking to media regarding SDP's activities and representing the Chapter where needed.
- Represents Sigma Delta Pi- Chapter Omega Gamma in meetings with ACU's Student Government Association
- Prepares budget in consultation with Adviser
- Upholds Constitution, governing, organizational and University laws.

# Vice President- must serve for an academic year

- Helps President and Adviser with the organization of functions and activities. Assumes the duties of the President in his/her absence.
- Attends Student Government Association's budget meetings with President

• Communicates directly with Adviser on issues of importance. Assists in the organization of all activities

## **Secretary-** must serve for an academic year

• Facilitates communication between organization members and officers. Keeps written notes of all issues discussed in meetings. Keeps records of members and their participation in the Chapter activities.

## Historian- must serve for an academic year

• Keeps track of all Chapters activities during the year, taking photos during functions and adding all information to Sigma Delta Pi- Omega Gamma's folders by the end of his/her term.

## Communications Officer- must serve for an academic year

 Takes care of all Sigma Delta Pi, Omega Gamma media...Facebook page, Instagram, Omega Gamma site...etc. in consultation with President and Adviser

## **Events Coordinator-** must serve for a year

• Takes care of all details regarding events, in coordination with President and Adviser.

All officers are encouraged to become familiar with SDP National, regarding bylaws, awards, scholarships ...etc.

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