**EPSILON SIGMA PHI SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

**For degrees received in 2013**

The requirements for eligibility for ESP scholarships and criteria for selection are as follows:

1. Applicant must be a *member in good standing* of the Alpha Alpha Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi for at least **two (2) consecutive years**, one of which must be the year the degree is awarded and the other the year the scholarship is awarded. In order for the applicant to be a ***member in good standing***, dues must have been paid by January 21 of the dues year.
2. Applications for scholarships will be accepted in January following the year in which the Masters or doctorate degree was awarded and must be received by the Scholarship Chair by close of business on the last working day of the month.
3. The degree may be awarded from any accredited institution.
4. At least one scholarship will be awarded to a person who receives a Master’s degree and one to a person who receives a doctorate, assuming there are qualified applicants in each category. Depending on applicant pool and availability of funds, additional scholarships can be awarded in either category. The scholarship committee can utilize up to 90% of the interest obtained on the principal during the fiscal year ending June 30 in the year for which the scholarship is being awarded. A maximum of $500 per person will be awarded for the Master’s degree and up to $750 per person will be awarded for the doctorate degree. The final distribution of scholarship funds is left to the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.
5. Determination of scholarship recipients will be based on the following criteria:
* Years of membership in ESP (3 points per year, up to a maximum of 30 points)
* Active participation in ESP (offices held, committees served on, professional development activities engaged in, meetings attended, etc.) (30 points)
* Overall graduate GPA (10 X GPA, maximum of 40 points)
1. An individual may receive the scholarship for the completion of the Master’s degree and again for the completion of the doctoral degree.
2. The Scholarship Committee will verify that the applicant has been a member in good standing of Alpha Alpha Chapter for two (2) consecutive years, review the credentials of the applicant and determine the recipients of the scholarships. Recipients will be notified immediately upon selection. Individual scholarship checks will be distributed by the LSU Foundation on behalf of ESP. Recipients will be notified of their selection to receive the scholarship by the president of Alpha Alpha Chapter and the scholarship committee.
3. To apply for the scholarships, send the completed application form and transcripts by fax (225/578-0777) or mail to the scholarship committee C/O Dr. Debra T. Davis, 233 Knapp Hall, Baton Rouge, LA 70803. Applications must be received by close of business on the last working day of January of each year.

[Scholarship Application Form](http://www2.lsuagcenter.com/esp/Awards/ScholarshipApplication.asp)