

## **Clarion University Sociology Club**

The Sociology Club is open to all Clarion students, regardless of major or QPA.

### **Objective:**

The objective of the Sociology Club is to provide opportunities for interested students to expand their personal horizons through informal sociological discussions and attendance/participation at professional sociological meetings. The Clarion University Sociology Club hopes to provide an environment that encourages open discussion and debate on sociological topics

### **Activities:**

The Clarion University Sociology Club organizes several events for students to participate in throughout the school year. In any given year such events might include:

- Local forums for student papers to be read and discussed by the student's peers.
- Trips to professional sociological meetings in the area.
- Programs for increased faculty-student and student-student interaction.
- Guest speakers on sociological careers and topics.
- Social events and group volunteer projects.

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## **Alpha Kappa Delta**

**Alpha Kappa Delta** is an honorary society for students interested in sociology. Membership in an honorary society shows that a student has achieved distinction in an area of study, and has a commitment to the professional life of that area.

### **Requirements:**

Eligibility for membership in this society will be determined by the Clarion Sociology Department according to criteria that meet or exceed the following minimum requirements or their equivalent:

1. Must be an officially declared sociology major, sociology/psychology major, or sociology minor.
2. Must be at least a junior (third year).
3. Must have accumulated the equivalent of an overall QPA of 3.0.
4. Must have maintained the equivalent of a 3.0 QPA in all sociology courses prior to initiation.
5. Must have completed at least four regular courses in sociology prior to initiation (excluding sociology courses taken pass/fail).

**Dues:**

New members pay a one-time only initiation fee of \$31. This fee includes a formal membership certificate and a one-year subscription to Social Inquiry, the official journal of Alpha Kappa Delta. To receive your journal, ask Dr. Petrissans for another form to fill out.

**Undergraduate Paper Competition:**

As a member of Alpha Kappa Delta, you could take part in the Alpha Kappa Delta undergraduate student paper competition. You could win up to \$600, up to \$600 dollars in travel expenses to the annual meeting of the American Sociology Association, strong consideration for publication in Social Inquiry, and a \$1200 non-renewable scholarship for attending graduate school in a sociology program. The deadline for submission to the competition is May 1. See Dr. Petrissans for further details.

**How to Join:**

If you meet the above criteria and are interested in joining Alpha Kappa Delta, please pick up an application from Dr. Petrissans (315 Founders) or the faculty secretaries (313 Founders).