



**OMICRON DELTA KAPPA**  
The National Leadership Honor Society

*Be recognized  
and celebrated as a leader.*



# Founding Members

- 15 founding members at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia in 1914
- OΔK's headquarters are on the W&L campus in a historic train station





# Mission and Vision

## Mission (The OΔK Idea)

- Identify, honor, and develop leaders in collegiate and community life.
- Encourage collaboration among students, faculty, staff, and alumni to advance leadership.
- Promote, publicize, and enhance our ideals.

## Vision

- Omicron Delta Kappa is a multi-generational society that excels in recognizing and connecting collaborative and inclusive leaders.



# Leadership Values

- **Collaboration** – *to work together to achieve a defined and common purpose*
- **Inclusivity** – *to actively seek, embrace, and advance a diverse group of individuals*
- **Integrity** – *to align one's values and beliefs with behaviors and speech*
- **Scholarship** – *to strive for excellence in academics and pursue lifelong learning*
- **Service** – *to answer the call for action from one's community or country*



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“Our societies do not aim to supply a mere credential: belonging to our societies means more than simply a certification of your grade point average or your resume. In the wider world, membership in one of our organizations is understood as an honor that is neither cheaply won nor widely bestowed. And we offer opportunities to continue to learn and grow in the company of other members of our societies across the country and across generations.”

- From “Why Accept Our Invitation” Honor Society Caucus Member Letter



# Commitment to DEI

## Diversity Statement

- The OΔK Idea affirms and promotes openness and inclusiveness among all people. Membership selection shall be free of bias so that all qualified will be considered equitably for membership. OΔK also has a firm anti-hazing policy

## Demographic Information

- OΔK now collects voluntarily provided demographic information on members to help guide decision making and future planning

## DEI-Focused Funds

- Scholarships and funding are available to support students from underrepresented populations





# Networking

## **Student Advisory Board**

- Hosts virtual town halls, offers LinkedIn group for further connection

## **Committee Opportunities**

- Volunteer and network through the national headquarters

## **MyOΔK membership portal**

- Will be live later this year
- Portal will include access to Discord chats, member benefits

## **Share Your Success**

- Add OΔK to your resume and professional profiles





# Scholarships and Awards

## **Graduate and Professional School Scholarships**

- 40+ scholarships (\$1,000 – \$5,000) available
- Intended for seniors or current graduate students; can apply up to 5 years after graduation

## **Gen. Russell E. Dougherty National Leader of the Year Program**

- All undergraduate members may apply
- Application open Oct. 15-Dec. 1, winners announced in the spring
- Five \$1,000 awards to collegiate leaders representing the five pillars of campus life; National Leader of the Year receives a \$4,000 award



# Partner Organizations

## BetterHelp

- A leading online therapy platform with more than 25,000 therapists and services in 50+ languages; communicate with your therapist via phone, video, live chat, and messaging.
- OΔK members receive one month of free therapy, valued at approximately \$300

## The Fund for American Studies

- Summer program in Washington, D.C. which include on-campus housing, an internship, academic credit, guest lectures and networking
- OΔK members receive priority admission and a minimum of a \$2,000 scholarship



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## Merit Pages

- New initiated members and new circle presidents are added to Merit monthly, which distributes the announcement to members' hometown media and government representatives

## Absolute Internship

- On-site or remote internship opportunities available in Europe and Asia
- OΔK members receive priority application status

## Outward Bound Costa Rica

- Experiential education courses - OΔK members receive a \$250 discount



# Member Discounts

## Travel, Entertainment and Shopping, Professional Services

- LifeLock Identity Theft Protection – 35% off your first year
- Member Options – auto, renters, homeowners, pet insurance discounts
- Lenovo – up to 30% off Lenovo products, plus free shipping
- TicketsatWork – discounts on events and attractions
- Avis and Budget – car rental discounts available for members
- Wyndham Hotels – 20% off best available rate
- Motel 6 – 10% discount







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**Questions?**

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