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## Students Grow in Leadership

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Leadership  
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2017

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Sigma Beta Delta's Leadership Academy was held October 5-7, 2017 in Bentonville, AR. Twenty-Four student applicants were chosen to attend. The students were led by SBD chapter officers, the SBD Leadership Academy planning committee, and the SBD board. The students visited and interacted with representatives from major corporations in the area. The students took part in team building and leadership building exercises. They learned about leadership styles and found their personal leadership style. They made great connections with fellow SBD members from across the country that will last for life, and they built a foundation for leadership outside of the classroom.



"I highly recommend attending to anyone who has the opportunity!"  
- Arista Gordy, Wilmington University

"It gave me knowledge and skills that I will use now and many years to come."  
- Fatiya A. Diallo, Springfield College

"It was so refreshing being around so many like-minded individuals who all wanted to develop into leaders."  
- Kevin Anderson, Wayne State College

"Sigma Beta Delta presented a First-Class educational experience."  
- Christopher Powers, Miami Dade College





# SIGMA BETA DELTA



Please Welcome Our New Chapters Installed Spring 2017



## **William Peace University**

Raleigh, NC

Installed: February 3, 2017

Advisor: Dr. Heidi Gailor

## **California University of Pennsylvania**

California, PA

Installed: February 15, 2017

Advisor: Prof. Joshua Chicarelli

## **Newbury College**

Brookline, MA

Installed: April 10, 2017

Advisor: Prof. Sharon Roberts

## **Eastern Florida State College**

Melbourne, FL

Installed: March 3, 2017

Advisor: Prof. Donovan Cox

## **Bacone College**

Muskogee, OK

Installed: April 21, 2017

Advisor: Prof. Allison Aytes



## **Sigma Beta Delta 2016-17 Outstanding Chapter Awards**



Congratulations to this select group of outstanding chapters on their exemplary performance in chapter operations and administration. These chapters were chosen based on the following criteria: above average member induction rates, submission of a Fellowship award applicant, submission of a yearly chapter report for the academic year, in good standing, and our overall view of the chapter. The honored chapters are,

### ***Baker University***

Overland Park, KS

Jamie Fields, chapter advisor

### ***Gwynedd Mercy University***

Gwynedd Valley, PA

Ralph Hoffman, chapter advisor

### ***California Southern University***

Irvine, CA

Lauren Helms, chapter advisor

### ***University of Phoenix***

Tempe, AZ

Joel Maier, chapter advisor

### ***Cornerstone University***

Grand Rapids, MI

Rachel Hammond, chapter advisor

### ***William Carey University***

Hattiesburg, MS

Cheryl Dale, chapter advisor



# Sigma Beta Delta

## 2017 Fellowship Award Winners

Thirty-three students were selected to receive Fellowship Awards of either \$500, \$1,000, or \$1,500 to support and encourage continuing education. The 2017 awards mark the fourth year in a row that the quantity and total dollar amount awarded has increased. Thanks to all of the students and their recommenders for submitting applications.



**Christopher Acton**

ACBSP Region 4 Award  
Siena Heights University

**Tiffany Anderson-Thomas**

Richard C. Scott Award  
Cambridge College

**Rhiannon M. Avvisato**  
ACBSP Region 2 Award  
East Stroudsburg University



**Erika L. Betz**  
Hilbert College

**Darcia Bevis**  
Cornerstone University

**Jody Ann Bohnenblust**  
Quister Craig Award  
Central Christian College of Kansas

**Tammy L. Brewer**  
Barb Grimsley Award  
Wilmington University

**Taryn Lace Campbell**  
J. Preston Jones Award  
Montana Tech

**Laconya Clemons**  
Baker University

**James Crow**  
ACBSP Region 6 Award  
Howard Payne University

**Brandon Davis**  
Sandra Hile Hart  
Sullivan University  
Louisville

**Stephanie Monae DuBord**  
Saint John's University

**Aimee Michelle Ford**  
Clifford L. Eubanks Award  
Benedictine University

**Scott Gradel**  
University of Phoenix

**Kyle Gresh**  
Barbara H. Nemecek Award  
Gwynedd Mercy University

**Christian Habeil**  
Springfield College

**Gabriel L. Hamilton**  
Randall McLeod Award  
American Public University

**Qeashaunda Johnson**  
James H. Bearden Award  
Chowan University

**Leanne Lavelle**  
Dominican College

**John S. Maniatty**  
Stevenson University

**Qin McCauley**  
Dell Ann Janney Award  
Bemidji State University

**Massimiliano Mirarchi**  
Donald H. Driemier Award  
Whittier College

**Connor Hensley Mitchell**  
Saint Michael's College

**Michella Mousaed**  
Mount Saint Mary's University

**Ryan J. Mulder**  
Castleton University

**Kelly Napolitano**  
Lee Kenyon Award  
Hartwick College

**Kye Ryong Park**  
Castleton University

**Kelsi Robins**  
William J. Kehoe Award  
Virginia Wesleyan University

**Dray Schreiber**  
Coe College

**Jamie Sholar**  
Janet Ewing Award  
William Carey University

**Olivia Thomas**  
Daytona State College

**Paige Elizabeth Webster**  
James Maxwell Award  
Culver-Stockton College

**Mikayla Wombacher**  
Gloria Clark Award  
Ashford University

# Sigma Beta Delta Chapter Anniversaries

July 1—December 31

## 15 Year Anniversary

Franklin Pierce University NH October 2, 2002

## 10 Year Anniversary

University of Saint Joseph CT August 20, 2007  
Cornerstone University MI October 2, 2007  
Castleton University VT October 29, 2007  
Schreiner University TX November 20, 2007

## 5 Year Anniversary

Dominican College NY July 9, 2012  
Grace College IN September 19, 2012  
American Public University VA September 27, 2012  
Texas College TX October 8, 2012  
Stevenson University MA December 18, 2012

## 1 Year Anniversary

Fitchburg State University MA August 25, 2016  
Hope International Univ. CA November 15, 2016  
Blue Mountain College MS December 2, 2016  
Morrisville State College NY December 5, 2016

## CONGRATULATIONS!

Thank you to all the chapter officers for your years of dedication to honoring students for their high academic achievement and for being leaders of future generations.

## 2016-17 BY THE NUMBERS

13 New Chapters Chartered

**33 Fellowship Awards**  
**\$30,000 Awarded**

5,725 New Members Inducted

97,337 Total  
Sigma Beta Delta Members

Thank you for a great year!  
We are looking forward to a great 2017-18 when SBD will induct it's 100,000 member. Keep an eye out for that momentous occasion.

Peter Banholzer  
Executive Director



## Membership Update

At Sigma Beta Delta's Board meeting this past August, a host of new and exciting ideas were put forward by the board in a strategic plan to propel SBD into the future. In order to continue to provide chapters and members with fantastic customer service, a growing Fellowship Awards program, increased benefits to members, better member engagement, and exciting new endeavors, the Sigma Beta Delta board voted to increase the membership fee to sixty five dollars. This is the first increase in membership fees in over a decade. We look forward to supporting our chapters and members as Sigma Beta Delta approaches twenty five years of recognizing high achievement in academics.

