

Phi Alpha Theta

Alpha Beta Kappa Chapter

Washington University in St. Louis

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying to be a part of the Alpha Beta Kappa Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta at Washington University in St. Louis. By applying to this chapter, you are affirming your passion for the study of history. The members of Phi Alpha Theta are diverse in their educational backgrounds; while this organization is technically housed in the History Department, it is open to anyone with a general interest in the field of history.

Phi Alpha Theta is a national professional organization that was founded in 1921 at the University of Arkansas. With over 839 active chapters and 275,000 members, Phi Alpha Theta represents one of the largest organizations for undergraduate, graduate, and professional historians in the entire nation. While our chapter is certainly aware of its place in the context of the national organization, it is committed fully to catering to the needs of Washington University's historians.

There are certain requirements you must meet in order to be considered for membership in Phi Alpha Theta.

1. All applicants must have completed at least 12 credit hours in history coursework by the end of Fall 2015 (please note that only three of these hours can come from online, transfer, or AP Credit).
2. Have at least a 3.5 minimum GPA in all history coursework.
3. Have at least a 3.3 minimum GPA in all coursework.

There are four necessary pieces of the application in order for it to be considered for membership.

1. The attached application form.
2. An unofficial transcript from WebSTAC.
3. A copy of your resume.
4. A copy of your best history essay to date. Please DO NOT submit papers that were written as part of a group project and/or have multiple authors.

Your entire application is due by 11:59pm on Sunday, October 11th. Should you have any further questions, please reach out to Jessica Simon, Vice President of Membership, at and/or Claire Fox, President, at pat.wustl@gmail.com.

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Name: _____
 First Middle Last

Email: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

Local Address:

City

State

Zip

Permanent Address:

City

State

Zip

How did you hear about Phi Alpha Theta? _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please *type* responses of at least 250 words to the following questions:

1. What is your favorite historical event or topic? Why?
2. How have you pursued an interest in history beyond the classroom?
3. What are you most looking forward to through your involvement in Phi Alpha Theta?

I, _____ (your name), certify that the attached piece of historical writing was written for a Washington University course in the History Department and reflects my work only.

Class for which paper was written:

Class Professor:
