

APPLICATION FOR CANDIDACY

Alpha Mu Gamma–Omicron Zeta Chapter at Seton Hall University

The National Collegiate Foreign Language Honor Society

Alpha Mu Gamma is the national collegiate foreign language honor society of the United States, founded in 1931. More than three hundred and fifty charters have been granted to chapters in the United States and Puerto Rico. Chapters are found both in state and private universities and in public and private colleges.

Alpha Mu Gamma has as its primary purpose the honoring of students for outstanding achievement of foreign language study. Students may be admitted at any stage in their college careers. Upon initiation a member receives a parchment certificate of membership, and may wear the society's golden honor cord during commencement exercises.

Activities of the Society are: the publication of the annual SCROLL, containing student articles, and of the quarterly NEWSLETTER; biennial national conventions; regional conferences at which students are able to meet others who share their interest in foreign languages; chapter meetings and special chapter activities of every sort; the sponsorship of National Foreign Language Week, endorsed by the President of the United States since 1957, with the distribution of thousands of posters each year in celebration of the Week; the annual awarding of three \$1,000 and two \$500 scholarships; the selection of our members for summer scholarships; the publication of various pamphlets which promote the study of foreign languages and different aspects of the celebration of National Foreign Language Week.

This application packet explains the requirements for admission into the Society. Alpha Mu Gamma is anxious to enroll all eligible students, but because the requirements are quite high, it is necessary to subject each applicant to an intensive check. Therefore, if you are interested in becoming a member, we must ask you to fill out the application in all possible detail.

NOT TO BE RETURNED TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE. SEE NOTE AT THE BOTTOM OF PAGE 3.

I. PRELIMINARY QUESTIONS

1. Have you completed or will you have completed by the end of the current term one full college academic year?

Yes _____ No _____

2. Have you received two grades of "A" or "A-" in the study of a language in university or college language courses*?

Yes _____ No _____

OR

If you are a non-native speaker of English, did you complete two college English courses with at least two grades of "A" or "A-"?

Yes _____ No _____

3. Have you had a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in all completed university or college courses, exclusive of those offered to fulfill requirement I.2.above? (3.0 GPA of all non-language courses)

Yes _____ No _____

II. HOW TO APPLY FOR CANDIDACY

1. If you can answer "yes" to each of three questions in Part I, fill out Part III completely and return the completed application plus a transcript to the advisor of your school's local chapter.

2. If you can answer "yes" to three questions in Part I for an additional language, obtain a second application and fill it out for this second language and attach a transcript.

3. If you are a freshman, applying for early admission, you must include a letter of reference from the nominating professor.

*Courses offered in satisfaction of this requirement must be unrepeated courses, not offered in English. Courses at any accredited university or college are given full weight if these courses offer at least three regular-session semester units, three trimester units, four quarter units, or four summer-session units; otherwise the average of the grades received in two courses offering credit of two semester units, two trimester units, or three quarter units is accepted in lieu of one of the required grades and the average of the grades received in three courses offering such lesser credit is accepted in lieu of two of the required grades.

**There is only one exception allowed in the National Constitution of Alpha Mu Gamma: after completing all courses in the first language at your institution, you may begin a second language and count the courses(s) toward your eligibility.

III. DETAILED INFORMATION

1. Name (put *last* name first; please *print*): _____

2. Encircle one: Mr. Ms. Miss Mrs.

3. Year you will graduate _____

4. School P.O. box: _____

Student ID#: _____

5. Home Street and number _____

6. City, state and zip-code: _____

7. Cell phone number: _____

8. E-Mail: _____

9. Name the specific language in which you wish to be a candidate: _____

10. What is your major? _____

Minor? _____

11. List all *completed* courses in the language, which you named in question 9. *Do not include courses, which you are taking this semester.* Also show by name the college or university, where you took each course and the grade, which you received.

IV. ACTION ON CANDIDACY (Committee use only)

1. The requirement in question I.2. has been verified. Yes No

2. The requirement in question I.3. has been verified. Yes No

3. The sponsor (or other faculty member making this verification) reports that:

_____ The applicant is eligible.

_____ The applicant is ineligible.

The faculty Committee on Candidacy should consider this application for the following reason:

4. The Committee has reached the following decision:

NOTE: When the student is eligible, this form should be retained in the chapter files as a permanent record. When the student is ineligible, the form should be returned to the applicant to inform him of the reason for his ineligibility.