Heralded honor society to host annual induction

Sacramento State’s Phi Kappa Phi (PKP) Honor Society chapter has been singled out as one of the nation’s finest, earning a Chapter of Merit distinction this year. On Wednesday, April 17, the chapter will hold its annual initiation ceremony, celebrating the work of many of Sac State’s most accomplished students, as well as faculty and staff initiates.

The reception is at 5:30 p.m.; the ceremony follows at 6:30 in the University Union Ballroom.

Interim Provost Charles Gossett and representatives of each college will help celebrate the achievements of PKP initiates. “Many honor societies are just ‘academic afterthoughts,’ ” says Gossett. “But Phi Kappa Phi has demonstrated that it can be much more than that and make an actual contribution to the personal and intellectual growth of its members.”

Psychology Professor Rebecca Cameron, the chapter president, says student vice presidents now participate in the Executive Committee, gaining important leadership experience while contributing their talents. “Phi Kappa Phi members are eligible for networking and career development benefits and are able to apply for fellowships and other grants to promote lifelong learning,” she says. “The Sacramento State chapter acknowledges several of the highest-achieving senior members each year with a certificate presented at the initiation ceremony.”

PKP, founded in 1897 and a presence on more than 300 American campuses, is Sacramento State’s oldest honor society. Chartered during the 1963-64 academic year, the chapter’s primary objectives are promoting the pursuit of excellence in all fields of higher education and recognizing outstanding achievement by students, faculty and others. Members are elected from all areas of the University on the basis of academic excellence. Membership is by invitation only; students must meet GPA and completed unit requirements to be eligible. New members are initiated each spring.

For more information, visit www.csus.edu/pkp/. For media assistance, contact Sacramento State Public Affairs office at (916) 278-6156.

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