



August 30, 2018

To: Potential Epsilon Sigma Phi Members

From: Dr. Gregg Hadley
Director for Extension

On behalf of the Membership Recruitment and Retention Committee, I would like to invite you to become a member of the Alpha Rho (Kansas) Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi, the Extension Professional's organization.

As a current member of the Alpha Rho Chapter, I believe that every extension professional should be a member of Epsilon Sigma Phi. If you believe yourself to be a professional, you are responsible to seek ways to continue your professional development and growth. As an extension professional, being a part of your professional society should be an automatic; being a part of Epsilon Sigma Phi should be your goal.

Epsilon Sigma Phi is the National Cooperative Extension Professional's Organization, dedicated to fostering standards of excellence in the Extension system, developing the extension profession and the professional. Membership is open to faculty who work in local, regional or campus offices. Two-hundred seventeen annual and life members currently belong to the Kansas Alpha Rho Chapter. Alpha Rho chapter projects and activities include:

- Recognition for excellence in programming
- Professional development workshops
- Grants for innovative programming

Dues (and an initiation fee) are \$45 for the initial year of membership. There are 2 steps to join:

By September 14, 2018:

- 1) Please go to the national ESP website at: <https://epsilonsigmaphi.wildapricot.org/New-Member-Application>.
- 2) Scan and return the 2019 Application Form (see next page) and return it to swarner@ksu.edu.

Membership applications will be accepted after September 14, however, your name may not appear in the 2018 ESP Recognition Booklet.

New member initiation will be on Tuesday evening, October 16, 2018 at 6:00 pm, during the Annual Conference Epsilon Sigma Phi Recognition Program, held in the Union. We also invite you to attend the business meeting at 11:45 a.m. that same day. Register for one or both of these meetings, when you register for Annual Conference. Please note there is a charge for food at these events.

More information about Epsilon Sigma Phi, Alpha Rho – Kansas Chapter is available at: <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-AlphaRho/>

For questions, please contact Jennifer Wilson, treasurer at: jwilson@ksu.edu or Stacey Warner, membership chair at: swarner@ksu.edu.



2019 Application Form Alpha Rho Chapter Membership

Please scan and email this form to Stacey Warner, ESP membership chair at swarner@ksu.edu by September 14, 2018.

Yes, I accept your invitation to become a member of the Alpha Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi, the national Extension Professional's organization.

Please check one:

- _____ I will participate in the initiation ceremony at the ESP Recognition on Tuesday, October 16, during Annual Conference. I will register for the event when I register for Annual Conference.
- _____ I do want to be a member, but I am unable to participate in the initiation ceremony at Annual Conference.

Please check:

- _____ I have paid national dues and an initiation fee of \$45 on the national ESP website.

My name: _____

Office address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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