



April 21, 2010

Dear Prospective Member,

First, let us be the ones to welcome you on your journey to seek membership into our circle of Omicron Delta Kappa. This distinguished organization is one of the first college honor society on a national scope to give recognition for leadership. Since its founding in 1914, over 300,000 individuals from over 300 college and university across the United States have been recognized for meritorious leadership and service in extracurricular activities.

As a perspective member, you have an opportunity to be recognized for your leadership achievements in one of the recognized **Five Phases of Campus Life**:

1. Scholarship
2. Athletics
3. Campus or Community Service, Social and Religious Activities, and Campus Government
4. Journalism, Speech and the Mass Media
5. Creative and Performing Arts

Membership into the Nova Southeastern University circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, is one of the highest distinctions and honors that a Nova Southeastern University student leader can obtain. Its purpose is as follows:

1. To recognize those who have attained high standards of efficiency in five phases of Campus Life and inspire others to strive for prominent attainment along similar lines.
2. To bring together the representative students in all phases of collegiate life, and thus create an organization which will help mold the sentiment of the institution on local and intercollegiate interests.
3. To bring together members of faculty, and the student body on the basis of mutual interest and understanding.

Once again, we welcome you on your journey in seeking membership into our circle of Omicron Delta Kappa. If you have any questions please contact Heidi Hassel, Faculty Secretary at [hh258@nova.edu](mailto:hh258@nova.edu).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heidi A. Hassel".

**Heidi A. Hassel**  
**Faculty Secretary for Omicron Delta Kappa**  
**Nova Southeastern University**



## ***Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) at Nova Southeastern University*** **Membership Packet Guidelines**

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

1. To qualify for membership, an applicant must have at least 60 credits completed and rank in the upper 35 percent in scholarship of their school or college.
2. Through completion of the membership packet (500 word essay, two letters of recommendation, displaying significant honors) one will be considered for circle membership.

### **Membership Expectations:**

1. A life-time initiation and membership fee of \$70
2. Attendance to monthly meetings
3. Participation, preparation, and attendance at all circle projects
4. Active participation in the selection of new members

### **Application Procedure:**

Failure to adhere to the following guidelines may result in the disqualification of your application.

- Complete Interest Form (Attached)
- Complete an Online Member Application from the National Website at [http://odk.org/audience/prospective\\_members/membership\\_application\\_form](http://odk.org/audience/prospective_members/membership_application_form)
- Attach a copy of your current class schedule.
- Attach two letters of recommendation.
- *In each of the five phases of campus life (Scholarship; Athletics; Campus or Community Service, Social and Religious Activities, and Campus Government; Journalism, Speech, and Mass Media; Creative and Performing Arts), undergraduates should list post-high school activities and honors received. For graduate students, list activities and honors since entering the degree program that you are currently enrolled in. Make sure to indicate any offices held as well as applicable dates. Please spell out all acronyms. To assist the applicant in itemizing activities, a list of examples for each category is provided on the next page (it does NOT contain all the possibilities but serves as an outline).*
- If you wish to be considered for membership into ODK, please e-mail your completed membership packet to [leadership@nova.edu](mailto:leadership@nova.edu), no later than **March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.** This includes the essay, letters of recommendation and a copy of your current class schedule. *Selected students will be notified by a public tapping ceremony or via e-mail.*

### **Schedule:**

April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Membership Packet Made Available
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Application Deadline
September 6 <sup>th</sup>	Membership Tapping
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Initiation Ceremony
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Recognition at the Fall Leadership Conference



## OΔK Interest Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

NSU ID# \_\_\_\_\_ NSU Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Standing:

Junior Senior Graduate/Professional Faculty/Staff Alumni, Yr Grad. \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

### Authorization to review student records

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby authorize the members of the Nova Southeastern Omicron Delta Kappa circle to review and discuss any grade and records of extracurricular activities concerning me that are maintained at Nova Southeastern University or submitted by me for their consideration. This authorization is granted because I would like to be considered for membership into Omicron Delta Kappa. I agree to pay the life-time membership fee of \$70 if I am admitted into the Nova Southeastern University Omicron Delta Kappa Circle and to abide by local and national expectations by attending monthly meetings and attending circle activities as outlined in the NSU OΔK constitution.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please type your name as a commitment to the Organization* Month/Day/Year

### For Official Use Only

Initiation Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Day/Year

I certify member's eligibility and initiation date:  yes  no

Initiation Fee:  paid  unpaid

\_\_\_\_\_  
Faculty Secretary Signature



## Essay

**In the space provided please enclose a 500 word essay on the following topic:**

*How do you feel you have contributed to the Nova Southeastern University community and how do you feel your experience as a leader will contribute to the Nova Southeastern University Omicron Delta Kappa Society?*