



# PHI THETA KAPPA

## HONOR SOCIETY

### Chapter Bylaws

Ashford University

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College

Beta Tau Chi

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Chapter



**Bylaws**  
**of**  
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**CHAPTER 1. Name of Chapter**

The name of this chapter of Phi Theta Kappa shall be Beta Tau Chi.

(Assigned by Headquarters upon approval of chartering application.)

**CHAPTER 2. Purpose**

The purpose of Beta Tau Chi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Ashford University shall be the promotion of scholarship, the development of leadership and service, and the cultivation of fellowship among qualified students of this college.

**CHAPTER 3. Membership**

**Section 1.** Types of membership in Chapter shall consist of member, provisional member, alumni member, and honorary member as defined in Article IV, Section 1, of the Phi Theta Kappa Constitution and Bylaws.\*

- A. *Member.* In addition to meeting membership eligibility requirements as stated in Article IV and Chapter 1 of the *Phi Theta Kappa Constitution and Bylaws*,\* each candidate for membership must have completed hours 12 credit hours of Associate's degree course work, at Ashford University, with a Grade Point Average of 3.7 on a 4.0 scale, adhere to the school conduct code, and possess recognized qualities of citizenship. Grades for courses completed at other institutions will not be considered when determining membership eligibility. A cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.5 must be maintained to remain in good standing. Failure to maintain the required cumulative Grade Point Average will result in the member being removed from good standing as stated in the *Phi Theta Kappa Constitution and Bylaws*,\* Chapter 1, Section 3. Failure to meet good standing requirements as stated in the *Phi Theta Kappa Constitution and Bylaws*\* will cause membership and all membership privileges to be revoked.
- B. *Alumni Member.* An individual must meet eligibility requirements as stated in Article IV, Section 1C of the *Phi Theta Kappa Constitution and Bylaws*.\*



- C. *Honorary Member.* An individual must meet eligibility requirements as stated in Article IV, Section 1D of the *Phi Theta Kappa Constitution and Bylaws*.\*
- D. *Transfer Member.* A member from another Phi Theta Kappa chapter may transfer membership to Beta Tau Chi Chapter if he or she is currently enrolled at Ashford University and meets the (maintenance GPA) of the chapter.

#### **CHAPTER 4. Chapter Advisor**

In addition to carrying out the duties as stated in the *Phi Theta Kappa Constitution and Bylaws*,\*

Chapter IV, Section 5, the chapter advisor shall be responsible for overseeing the completion and submission of member names and fees as well as the Chapter Annual Report to Headquarters. The advisor shall be officially appointed by the college administration and shall be a non-voting member of the chapter.

#### **CHAPTER 5. Officers & Committees**

**Section 1.** The chapter shall operate strictly as an honorary unless or until sufficient student interest has been shown to warrant the election of student officers. At that time, student members shall elect officers as outlined by the National Constitution guidelines in effect at that time.

**Section 2.** The National Office shall be notified when the change in procedures is established and the date and manner in which the changes shall take effect.

#### **CHAPTER 6. Amendments and Revision**

**Section 1.** The chapter bylaws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting, provided that the proposed amendment has been presented at a previous meeting. Any changes to the bylaws must be sent to Headquarters for final approval.

\* Refers to the *Phi Theta Kappa International Constitution and Bylaws*.

*Phi Theta Kappa is committed to the elimination of discrimination based on gender, race, class, economic status, ethnic background, sexual orientation, age, physical ability, and cultural and religious backgrounds.*