

# Elevate Your Psychology Students and Faculty Through Psi Chi



## What Is an Honor Society?

Honor societies recognize and reward high-achieving individuals within a particular field. Being eligible to become a member means you are among the best in your discipline. Honor societies may provide benefits (e.g., scholarships, leadership opportunities) and can help students connect with professionals for mentorships and advice about achieving a meaningful career.

## What Is Psi Chi Honor Society?

Psi Chi, the International Honor Society in Psychology, was founded in 1929 with a mission to recognize and promote excellence in the science and application of psychology. More than 800,000 lifetime members have joined including Distinguished Members such as Drs. Elizabeth Loftus, Alice Eagly, Mahzarin Banaji, Melba Vasquez, Stephen Chew, and Albert Bandura.

## Why Start a Chapter at Your Institution?

From Egypt to Guatemala to Malaysia, Psi Chi has welcomed numerous non-U.S. chapters since becoming a global organization in 2009. Once a new chapter is established, its leaders can host local meetings and events to assist their psychology department, mentor psychology students who are not Psi Chi members, and even support their local community in general—all while giving student members important leadership experiences. Psi Chi's vast resources and inclusive environment to support local leaders make installing a local chapter at your institution a worthwhile step to advance your students' professional development.

## Special Support for Non-U.S. Chapters

- The Psi Chi Global Initiatives Director ([global.initiatives.director@psichi.org](mailto:global.initiatives.director@psichi.org)) will work with faculty at universities outside the United States to determine how the eligibility requirements for starting a Psi Chi chapter can be met.
- Universities outside the United States may have the (U.S.) \$150 fee to start a chapter waived.

## How to Start a Chapter

Identify a faculty member who is willing to serve as the faculty advisor for the Psi Chi chapter at your college or university. To learn more about the chapter eligibility requirements and start the application process, visit

[https://www.psichi.org/page/start\\_chapter](https://www.psichi.org/page/start_chapter)



# Build Diverse Relationships That Advance Psychology

## Who Is Eligible to Join?

Membership is open to undergraduate and graduate students, transfer students, full-time and part-time faculty members, and alumni. Individuals become members by joining their local Psi Chi chapter. For full details:

[https://www.psiichi.org/page/become\\_member](https://www.psiichi.org/page/become_member)

## What Will It Cost Members to Join?

A single membership fee grants lifetime membership status. The fee is \$55 (U.S.) for high-income countries, \$44 (U.S.) for mid-income countries, and \$33 (U.S.) for low-income countries. If desired, your chapter can also institute a local chapter fee of no more than 50% of the membership fee in order to cover the costs of local chapter programming, research projects, travel to psychology conventions, etc.

## Lifetime Psi Chi Membership Benefits

As the world's largest student psychology organization, Psi Chi provides more funding and personalized support for our psychology students, faculty, and alumni than any other honor society.

### Financial Support

- More than (U.S.) \$400,000 in annual awards, grants, and scholarships.
- Funding for research projects or travel to academic conferences.
- Once members join, they can continue to apply for funding regardless of whether their future institutions have a chapter.

### Professional Growth

- A Career Center, Request a Mentor, and Ask an Expert programs connect members with professionals and potential employers.
- Local chapters and the global organization offer many unique leadership opportunities.
- Magazine, podcast, blog, and email series share advice regarding careers, graduate school, mental health, diversity, and more.
- Members can honor their academic achievements with Psi Chi graduation cords and stoles.

### Research Opportunities

- Psi Chi invites students and faculty to join an annual collaborative cross-cultural research project.
- Members can submit a link to their ongoing surveys so that Psi Chi can help recruit online research participants.
- Students and faculty can submit their original empirical research for publication in *Psi Chi Journal of Psychological Research*.

