Sigma Delta Pi Spanish Honor Society

The Beta Upsilon Chapter of Sigma Delta Pi Spanish Honor Society is currently accepting membership applications!

What is Sigma Delta Pi?

Sigma Delta Pi is the largest foreign language honor society for four-year post-secondary institutions in the U.S. with over 170,000 members, and is a certified member of the association of College Honor Societies and an affiliate and partner of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. As a member of NIU’s Beta Upsilon Chapter, you will have the opportunity to engage with a network of high-achieving students interested in Spanish language and culture, and organize and participate in Spanish-related activities on campus and beyond. Furthermore, the society recognizes active members and chapters with 80 awards and grants in over 15 categories per year, including study abroad grants for undergraduates and research grants for graduate students!

Eligibility

To be chosen as an **undergraduate member**, a student must:

- have completed at least three semester of college coursework
- have completed 18 credit hours of college-level Spanish or the equivalent, including at least one three-credit course in Hispanic literature or Hispanic culture and civilization at the junior (third year) level.  
  *Note*: A student may be admitted to active membership while still enrolled in the junior-level course if all other requirements have been met and if the instructor of the course certifies that the student’s work is of “B” or “A” quality.
- have a minimal grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale in all Spanish courses taken
- rank in the upper 35% of their class--sophomore, junior, or senior
- **Graduate students** who have been unconditionally admitted to our degree-granting program may be elected to membership upon completion of two graduate courses in Spanish with an average GPA which, if continued, will make them eligible for a graduate degree.

Sigma Delta Pi does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, age, or disability.

Sounds great! How do I apply?

Complete an application form (available at the Foreign Languages and Literatures Department office – Watson 111 or online at [niu.edu/forlangs](http://niu.edu/forlangs)). You will need to submit an **unofficial transcript** with your application, together with a check to Sigma Delta Pi for $40 (which covers the national-level lifetime membership fee, initiation materials, and $15 chapter dues).

More information visit: [http://www.sigmadeltapi.org](http://www.sigmadeltapi.org)

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Completed applications should be submitted to the main office (Watson 111) in a sealed envelope by **Wednesday, March 9, 2016**.