



ALPHA KAPPA MU NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

“The scholar....in the right state,
is MAN THINKING.”

- Ralph Waldo Emerson
“The American Scholar”

Coppin State Posthumously Honors AKM Inductee

On October 5, the Mu Beta Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu held its fall induction ceremony.

AKM Advisors DeChelle Forbes and Paul Gass facilitated the Coppin State event, and Associate VP Provost Errol Bolden and Provost Pamela Wilks delivered congratulatory words to the students. Dr. Veronica Yon, AKM national president attended via Zoom to deliver the charge to membership.



Devira Ragler (left) and Coppin State Inductees

Lyle Ragler, a Coppin State graduate student who passed in the days leading up to the ceremony, was posthumously inducted. His mother, Devira Ragler, was present to receive tokens of membership and heartfelt condolences.

Lyle devoted himself to serving his community and helping others both in his profession and through his volunteer work. He worked as a counselor or case manager in organizations such as People Helping People, HERO, Gaudenzia, and, most recently, as an addictions counselor at A Helping Hand. As a member of Grace AME Church, Mr. Ragler volunteered to help feed homeless families.



A lifelong learner, after earning his undergraduate degree in Sociology from Lincoln University, Lyle attended Coppin State University and completed his Master of Science in Addiction Counseling in 2021. At the time of his application to Alpha Kappa Mu, he was working to complete the requirements for a certificate in Rehabilitation Counseling.

Congratulations to the Mu Beta Inductees and our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Lyle Ragler.

Calling all AKMuans to the National Convention

ALPHA KAPPA MU HONOR SOCIETY, INC.
67th NATIONAL CONVENTION
(18TH BIENNIAL MEETING)

March 29 – March 31, 2023
Alpha Iota Chapter, Albany State University, Albany, GA,
Host
Advisors: Dr. Kenya Lemon and Mr. Brandon Henry

**THEME: NAVIGATING THE
PANDEMIC – RECOVERING, REFOCUSING,
REDEFINING –A STRATEGY**



Photo Gallery: Kappa Phi (Jackson State) Chapter Induction

AKM advisor, Dr. Loria Gordon Brown, and graduate advisor, Myah Revis, held an induction ceremony for 19 Jackson State honor students on November 17. Family and friends attended in person and online to celebrate the achievements of the scholars. Also, AKM President Veronica Yon shared inspirational words. Welcome to our fellowship!



Coppin State (cont'd)

Coppin State Inductees

Brooks, Dayson	Jr.	Political Science
Brown, Dionne	Gr. Student	Doctor of Nursing Practice
Bruce-Goodwyn, Rhonda	Gr. Student	Criminal Justice
Burrell, Jerricka	Gr. Student	Nurse Practitioner
Capel, Crystal	Sr.	Rehabilitation Services
Chunga, Muyang	Sr.	Biology
Ewangue, Shelly	Jr.	Health Sciences
French, Nichelle	Sr.	History
Hall, Tamara	Gr. Student	Criminal Justice
Holmes, Lanice	Sr.	English
Mabry, Monet	Jr.	Dance
Perez, Luis	Jr.	Biology
Wise, Tiarna	Sr.	Computer Science
Tiffany Young	Sr.	Rehabilitation Services



Provost Pamela Wilks



Assoc. VP Provost Errol Bolden

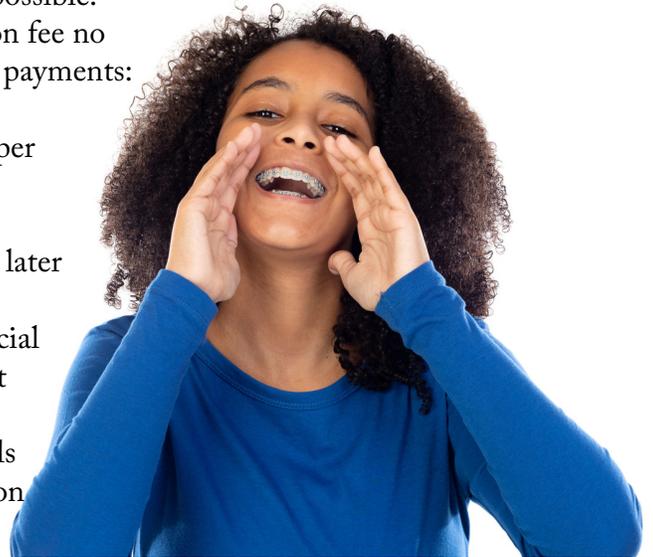


Dr. Veronica Yon, AKM President

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Start planning now to participate in our 67th National Convention.

- **Spring Inductions** – Schedule ceremonies early enough to allow new members the opportunity participate in the biennial convention.
- **Delegate Selection** – Poll membership to see who is interested in attending the convention. We need to have fuller representation, so please bring as many members as possible.
- **Chapter Registration** - Remit the \$30.00 chapter registration fee no later than February 3, even if no delegates attend. Link for payments: <https://portal.icheckgateway.com/AlphaKappaMuHonor/>
- **Individual Registration** – Complete registration form (one per attendee). Link to the convention registration form: <https://forms.gle/rjULQ25BmCXNJCfQ7>
Chapters and/or individuals should pay registration fees no later than February 3, 2023.
- **Funding Sources** - Consider fundraising activities and financial support from your university (ex. Academic Affairs, Student Activities) as viable options for offsetting convention costs, which include rooms, transportation, and meals. Some meals will be covered through the hotel and convention registration fees.



Fall 2022 Inductions Report

Dr. Mollie Brown, Executive Secretary-Treasurer



Jackson State University 19
Kappa Phi Chapter
Dr. Loria Brown Gordon, Advisor



Coppin State University 15
Mu Beta Chapter
DeChelle L. Forbes, Advisor



Central State University 48
Kappa Tau Chapter
Dr. G. J. Giddings, Advisor
Dr. Wendy Berry-West, Advisor

Total Inductees 82

HONOR SOCIETIES AND ACHS



Promote academic excellence and research



Support members through scholarships and grants



Encourage leadership development



Offer community service opportunities



Provide a rich tradition of collegiate history

“The mission of ACHS (Association of College Honor Societies) is to build a visibly-cohesive community of national and international honor societies that promotes the values of higher education; fosters excellence in scholarship, leadership, service, and research; and adheres to the standards of honor society excellence” (achshonor.org).

THE INAUGURAL MOLLIE B. BROWN/ANN W. MORRIS GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Two scholarship awards of \$1000 each will be presented annually on a competitive basis to an active Alpha Kappa Mu member. This scholarship is named to honor Dr. Mollie B. Brown, National Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and Dr. Ann W. Morris, Executive Secretary-Treasurer Emeritus.

Criteria for Selection

- Active membership in Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society
- Current graduate or professional student
- Demonstrated scholarship

Policies and Procedures

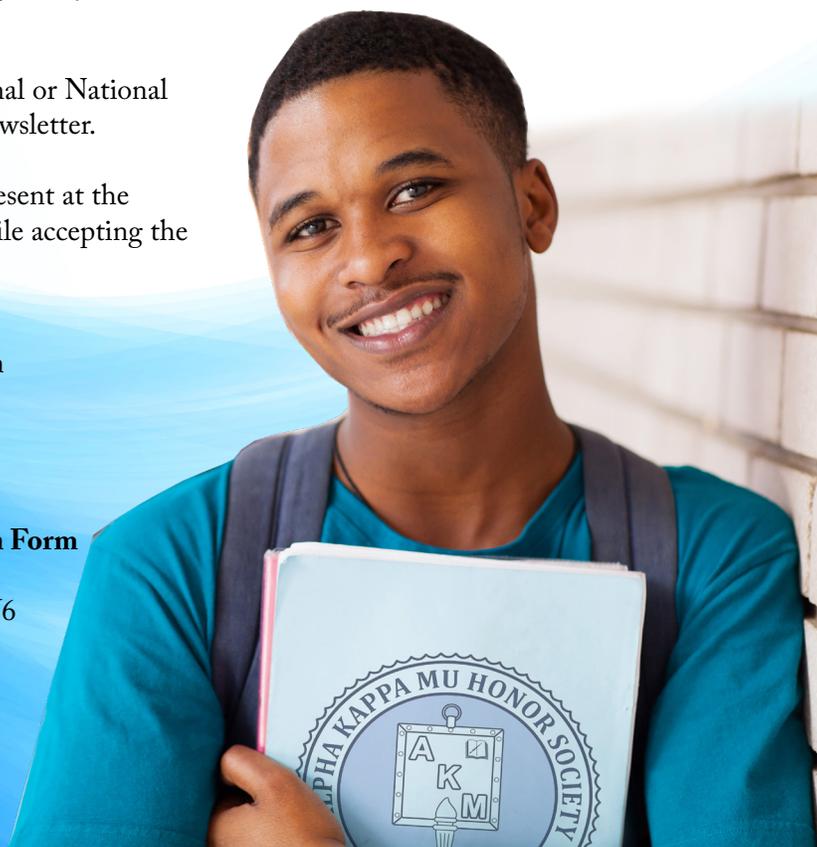
- All completed applications, official transcripts, and letters of recommendation should be submitted to the following Gmail account (AKMu.scholarships@gmail.com) on or before February 15.
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that an official transcript of academic records through the fall term is submitted to the Alpha Kappa Mu Awards Committee.
- Official transcripts must include grades through the fall term of the academic year.
- Letters of recommendation are evaluated in terms of skills perceived necessary to do graduate work, not participation in extracurricular activities.
- Scholarly Statements - Scholars will submit two statements on the online application.
 - 1 - Academic and/or career goal statement—The personal statement should speak to the applicant's academic and/or career goals and
 - 2 - A brief discussion of the applicant's service to and for AKMu.
- Evaluation of applications will be on the point system. Awards will be made at the discretion of the Awards Committee.
- Winners will be announced at the Regional or National Meeting and in the Alpha Kappa Mu Newsletter.
- Winners of the awards are asked to be present at the Meeting in order to be photographed while accepting the award.

Brown- Morris Scholarship - Application

Link for the scholarship form:
<https://forms.gle/TVwPq98U684gKi6a7>
Due date: Tuesday, February 15, 2023

Brown- Morris Scholarship - Recommendation Form

Link for the scholarship form:
<https://forms.gle/pZYpMc1XuVU4WQEV6>
Due date: Tuesday, February 15, 2023



GEORGE W. GORE/THOMAS J. CRAWFORD UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Two scholarship awards of \$2000 each will be presented annually on a competitive basis to an active Alpha Kappa Mu member. This scholarship is named to honor Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., Founder and Thomas James Crawford, Executive Secretary-Treasurer.

Criteria for Selection

- Active membership in Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society
- Demonstrated scholarship

Policies and Procedures

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Gore-Crawford Scholarship - Application

Link for the scholarship form: <https://forms.gle/GPAnxHzsMvRQ74HL9>

Due date: Tuesday, February 15, 2023

Gore-Crawford Scholarship - Recommendation Form

Link for the Gore/Crawford recommendation form: <https://forms.gle/jTapCvdKtd27sEYF8>

Due date: Tuesday, February 15, 2023



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ESSAY/RESEARCH CONTEST

The 67th Alpha Kappa Mu National Convention invites student researchers to share papers, projects and essays supporting the convention theme: Navigating the Pandemic – Recovering, Refocusing, Redefining – A Strategy.

Grab your paper or research project proposal that you have submitted for a class and share it on Thursday, March 30, 2023, during our Second General Session.

Your research and/or paper will benefit:

- You, the student:
- Improving your critical thinking and social interaction skills
- Your campus:
- Maximizing research talent and promoting interdisciplinary collaboration; and

Our society:

- Advancing research through innovative approaches and solutions

Paper Guidelines

- The recommended paper should
- Consist of no more than ten double-spaced pages
- Adhere to MLA, APA, Chicago or Turabian documentation style and
- Be reviewed for grammar and/or punctuation errors.
- Be submitted in PDF.

PowerPoint Guidelines

- Essays must also be accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation which must be submitted as well.
- The recommended maximum number of slides is 5.
- The time allotted for each Scholar during the essay competition should be 15 minutes total, which includes ten minutes for the presentation, three minutes for questions, and two minutes for transition time.

CHAPTER SHOWCASE

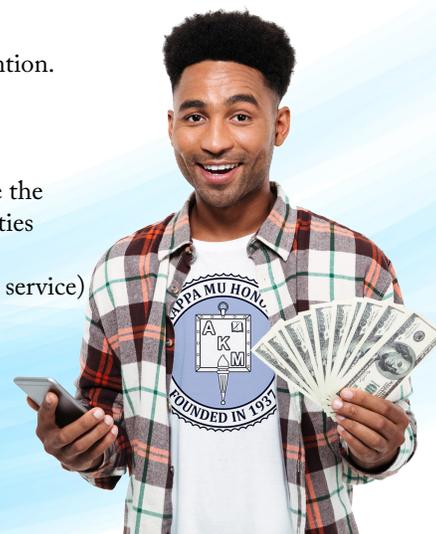
We want to know about the exciting things your chapter has done since the 66th AKM convention. Each registered chapter is asked to present a video or a live presentation.

Video or Live Presentation Requirements (5-7 Minutes):

- Select 3 or more students from your chapter to deliver your presentation. Even if you choose the video option, chapter representatives should have a brief report covering their chapter's activities and involvement on or off campus.
- Highlight the (5) KEY missions of AKM (character, citizenship, leadership, scholarship, and service)
- Ensure the font size and script are legible.
- Address future goals and targets.
- Personalize your video or presentation.

Prizes to Chapters:

- 1st Place \$200
- 2nd Place \$150
- 3rd Place \$100



Essay/Research Contest and Videos must be submitted by **March 22, 2023**. Please forward your information to

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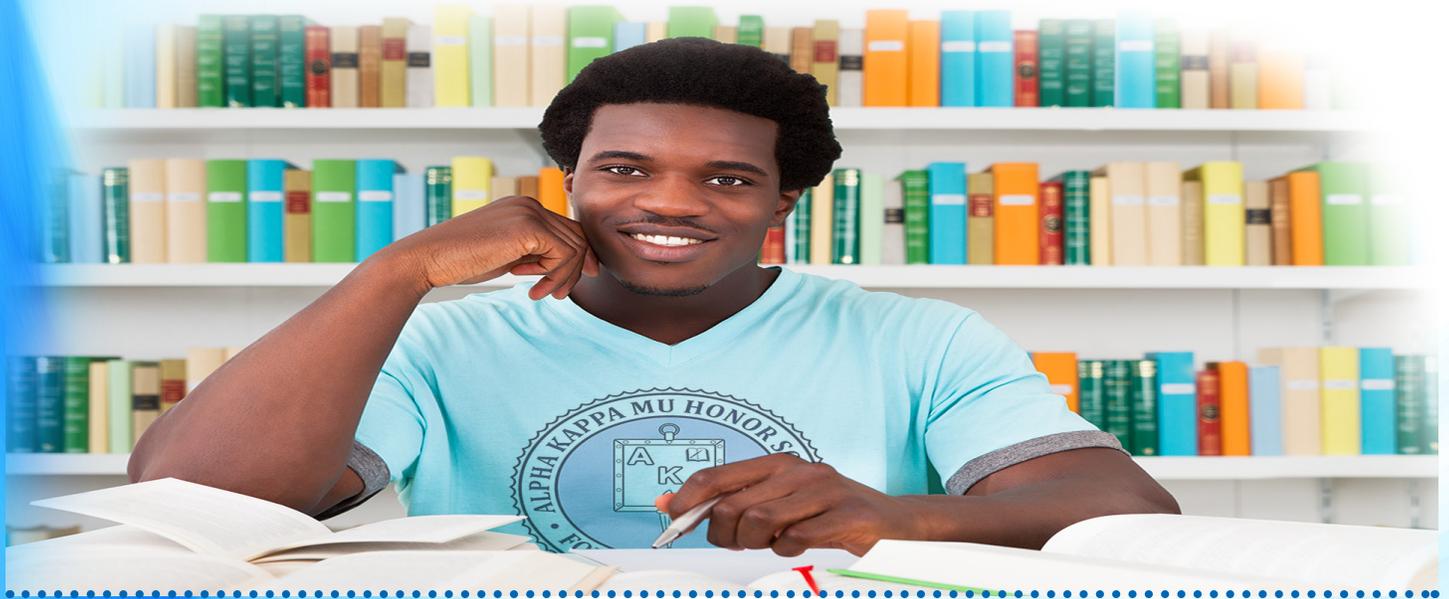
Criteria for AKM Membership

Undergraduate Students - An undergraduate student shall be eligible to be elected as a collegiate member if the individual:

- (1) is registered as full time, and is in good standing with the institution at which the chapter is located
- (2) is at least a junior in a degree program, and has completed 50 percent of the requirements for graduation
- (3) has a minimum grade-point average of 3.3, when A = 4
- (4) is ranked in the upper 10 percent of the class
- (5) exemplifies good character
- (6) exhibits the potential for leadership and service

Graduate Students - Graduate students are eligible to be elected members when the following requirements are met:

- (1) a baccalaureate graduate of a regionally accredited school who is entering graduate school must have a grade-point average of 3.3 or better (when A = 4) and must be ranked in the upper 10 percent of the class
- (2) a continuing graduate student must have been admitted as a matriculated student and must have earned a minimum of 15 hours with a grade-point average of 3.7 or better
- (3) exemplifies good character



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