

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND SELECTED HONORARIES

Students in Human Sciences can enhance their academic program by participating in a variety of student organizations and honoraries. Involvement with peers in these organizations can often help students develop leadership and communication skills, explore professional interests and career opportunities, and meet other students and faculty. Students are encouraged to review the information on the organizations presented here and to contact those that interest them.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

American Society of Interior Designers

The American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) Student Chapter/Department of Consumer Affairs is an affiliate of the American Society of Interior Designers, a professional society of interior designers. The primary purpose of this organization is to enlarge students' understanding of the interior design profession and the role they might have with this organization through Allied and Professional membership. All majors in Interior Design are eligible for membership. Activities include student participation in events sponsored by Alabama ASID and National ASID organizations, field trips, design competitions, and other types of pre-professional development activities. Contact the Department Head, Department of Consumer Affairs, for further information.

Auburn Chapter of the Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association International

The Auburn Chapter of the Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association International (HSMAI) was chartered in June 1998. The primary purpose of this organization is to provide opportunities for Hotel and Restaurant Management (HRMT) majors to network with leaders of the hospitality industry and to enhance students' professional skills and employment potential. All HRMT majors are eligible for membership. Activities of the chapter include guest speakers, field trips, and other types of pre-professional development activities. Contact the Department Head, Department of Nutrition and Food Science, for further information.

Auburn Chapter of the International Textile and Apparel Association

The Auburn Chapter of the International Textile and Apparel Association (ITAA) is a student affiliate chapter for professionals involved with the textile and apparel industry. The primary purpose of this group is to provide students with opportunities for professional development and networking with individuals who are committed to working in the textile and apparel field. In addition, ITAA provides students with up-to-date information on textiles and apparel, increases their awareness of career and internship possibilities in the field, helps generate enthusiasm for the field, and fosters professionalism among members. All majors in the Apparel Merchandising, Design and Production Management curriculum are encouraged to participate. This professional organization sponsors lectures and numerous professional development experiences for interested students. Contact the Department Head, Department of Consumer Affairs, for information.

Auburn University Student Chapter of Club Managers

The Auburn University Student Chapter of Club Managers Association of America (CMAA) was chartered in September 1990. This student chapter is recognized by the Alabama Chapter and national headquarters of CMAA and was the 20th student chapter to be chartered in the U.S. Membership is open to all Hotel and Restaurant Management majors who have an interest in club management or who identify with the standards of club management. Guest speakers, field trips to private clubs, and attendance at the CMAA National Conference are among the activities of this group. Contact the Department Head, Department of Nutrition and Food Science, for further information.

Human Sciences Student Ambassadors

The Human Sciences Student Ambassadors is a select group of men and women who serve as ambassadors for the College of Human Sciences. The ambassador's major role is to represent the College of Human Sciences and provide information about students, faculty, academic programs, and careers in Human Sciences to prospective students and their families, alumni, and visiting dignitaries. Ambassadors assist at College and University-sponsored events, conduct tours of Human Sciences facilities, correspond with interested students and their families, and meet with advisory councils and the Dean's Development Board. Contact Academic Affairs, College of Human Sciences, for further information.

Human Development and Family Studies and Marriage and Family Therapy Graduate Students' Professional Development Organization

The Human Development and Family Studies (HDFS) and Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) Graduate Students' Professional Development Organization was created to serve as a liaison between faculty and graduate students. Through this organization faculty can convey relevant academic information to all graduate students. In addition, graduate students can be united in relating their academic concerns and needs to faculty. All graduate students in MFT and HDFS are members. Contact the Graduate Program Officer, Department of Human Development and Family Studies, for further information.

International Interior Design Association

The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) Student Chapter/Department of Consumer Affairs is an affiliate

of the International Interior Design Association of Designers, a professional society of interior designers. The primary purpose of this organization is to work toward the advancement of the value of interior design and its practitioners as well as to cultivate leadership within the profession. IIDA seeks to enlarge students' understanding of the interior design profession internationally and the role they might have with this organization through Allied and Professional membership. All majors in Interior Design are eligible for membership. Activities include student participation in events sponsored by Alabama IIDA and National IIDA organizations, field trips, design competitions, and other types of pre-professional development activities. Contact the Department Head, Department of Consumer Affairs, for further information.

Professional Convention Management Association

Auburn University's student chapter of PCMA consists of a group of student members who meet on a regular basis to organize events related to meetings, conventions and exhibitions. The chapter works closely with the local hospitality industry. Benefits of joining the chapter include an ability to network/partner with Professional PCMA Chapters, make contacts that will help you find a job, be exposed to opportunities for leadership roles within the chapter and participate in chapter projects and activities that will help you prepare to enter this profession.

Student Chapter of the Institute of Food Technologists

The Student Chapter of the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) is the student affiliate of the professional organization for food scientists. It is open to students interested in foods, food science, and food technology. The organization meets monthly and activities include field trips to food related facilities such as Tom's Snack Foods, Dolly Madison, and Flower's Bakery. Contact the Department Head, Department of Nutrition and Food Science, for further information.

Student Dietetic Association

The Student Dietetic Association (SDA) is a student organization affiliated with the American Dietetic Association (ADA). The goals are to involve Auburn students in the expansion and communication of nutrition knowledge through projects such as "National Nutrition Month" programs, lectures on current topics in nutrition, and practical yet fun social events. The Student Dietetic Association allows nutrition and food science students as well as students in other curricula to have a greater understanding of nutrition and the professional applications of nutrition in health care. Contact the Department Head, Department of Nutrition and Food Science, for further information.

Student Hospitality Association

The Student Hospitality Association (SHA) is an organization formed to further professional and social goals related to the management of hotels, restaurants, and clubs. Activities include: attendance at the National Restaurant Association Trade Show in Chicago each May; area field trips to hotels, resorts, and clubs; meetings on campus with speakers from the hospitality industry; and fund-raisers. Contact the Department Head, Department of Nutrition and Food Science, for further information.

The Organization for Professionals in Human Development

The goals of the Organization for Professionals in Human Development (OPHD) are to provide a common group for students interested in human development and family relations: OPHD also serves to increase professionalism and volunteer service among HDFS majors and to promote and support HDFS as a profession. Contact the Department Head, Department of Human Development and Family Studies, for further information.

SELECTED HONORARIES

Eta Sigma Delta

Eta Sigma Delta is the national scholastic honorary society for Hotel and Restaurant Management majors. Students must be a junior or senior and have an overall grade point average of 3.00 or higher. Membership is by invitation only.

Gamma Sigma Delta

Gamma Sigma Delta is a scholastic honor society for outstanding students in the College of Human Sciences and the College of Agriculture. Graduating seniors or graduate students, who have a 3.00 or above and who are in the top fifteen percent of their class, are eligible for this organization.

Kappa Omicron Nu

Kappa Omicron Nu is the national honor society for outstanding students in human sciences. Students in the upper fifteen percent of the junior class and the upper twenty percent of the senior class with at least a 3.00 grade point average are eligible for invitation to membership. In addition, students must have completed two upper level courses in the major.

Phi Kappa Phi

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is a national scholastic honor society which recognizes and encourages academic excellence in all disciplines. Students in the top five percent of the graduating class from each college/school are invited into membership each semester.

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