

PHI SIGMA TAU
International Honor Society in Philosophy
Information Bulletin

Founded at Muhlenberg College in 1930, and subsequently incorporated as a nonprofit corporation of Washington, D.C., Phi Sigma Tau is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies. The Society's central purpose is to promote ties among philosophy departments in accredited institutions and students interested in philosophy. Both at the national and local levels, the organization of the Society is instrumental — a means for developing and honoring academic excellence and philosophical interest, and for popularizing philosophy among the general collegiate public.

Dialogue, the Journal of **Phi Sigma Tau**, is published twice annually (in October and April). Wholly devoted to the publication of articles by graduate and undergraduate students, it has a circulation of more than two thousand. The Phi Sigma Tau Newsletter appears at least three times annually and provides an informal means for chapter communication.

Local chapters are located in private and public institutions throughout the United States and Canada. These chapters, numbering more than 200 in 2008, constitute the focal point of Phi Sigma Tau activities. Their officers are students at the host institutions, with faculty advisors serving as institutional and department liaisons; each chapter enjoys a high degree of autonomy in its activities and by-laws.

The National Alumni Chapter, founded in 1971 as a means for Phi Sigma Tau members to retain affiliation following graduation, is open to all initiated members of the Society. Activities include the **Alumni Bulletin**, issued periodically, and a booklet, **Careers in Philosophy**, which appeared in 1985 and which has seen wide circulation inside and outside the Society.

National Officers are Dr. Eva H. Cadwallader (President: Westminster College), Dr. Irmgard Scherer (Vice President: Loyola College of Baltimore), Dr. David E. Gibson (Executive Secretary: Pepperdine University), Dr. Steve Barbone (Editor: San Diego State University), and the following Area Council Representatives: Fr. Joseph Koterski, S.J. (Fordham University), Dr. Lee Rice (Marquette University), and Dr. Anne M. Wiles (James Madison University).

Charter applications and additional information are available from the Executive Secretary. A charter petition may be submitted by five petitioners from an accredited institution, and must be accompanied by a charter fee (currently \$100.00). Ratification is by vote of the Executive Council and active chapters.

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