

International Achievement Week
Committee
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.



International Achievement Awards
Awards and Submission Criteria
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International Achievement Week Committee

The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. International Achievement Week Committee is composed of each district's Achievement Week committee chair plus appointed at-large Brothers. On the International level, the focus and concentration is on the following three primary areas:

- A. Achievement Week Awards
- B. Graduate and Undergraduate Chapter of the Year Awards
- C. National Essay Contest

This package will focus on the first area, Achievement Week Awards that are comprised of the following awards:

- Citizen of the Year
- Founders Award
- Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award
- Superior Service Award
- Omega Man of the Year
- Chapter of the Year

The committee's charge is to administer uniform Fraternity-wide minimum criteria for these awards. This includes the nomination, selection and documentation required for these awards to be consistently administered at the chapter, district and international levels. The ultimate objective is to produce nominees of the highest qualifications that support the award criteria and ideals of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

The criteria for the awards are listed below for both Graduate and Undergraduate chapters.

Citizen of the Year. The Citizen of the Year is selected each year from outstanding citizens nominated for unusual contributions to humanity. The nominee should be a person of local / regional / national recognition acclaimed by a significant segment of society for outstanding contributions to the welfare of mankind. Omega men nominated for this award are not required to be financial, but must not be expelled, suspended or on probation.

Superior Service Award. The Superior Service Award will be given to a Brother who has demonstrated outstanding contributions and sustained concern for the activities of his chapter, his District and to the Fraternity. The International Achievement Week Committee will evaluate nominations from the Districts based on the following criteria:

1. Nominee must be financial on the Chapter, District and National levels
2. Nominee must have made outstanding contributions to the fraternity at chapter, district, and international level (chapters/district are expected to support all nationally and district mandated programs).
3. Nominees must have served in a manner above and beyond the ordinary participation levels necessary to implement programs and projects. Nominees should be involved with the organization, planning and implementation of programs and projects.

4. Documentation associated with this award must demonstrate the nominee's activities and be certified by the Basileus and Keeper of Records and Seal on the Chapter level and by the Achievement Week Chairman on the District Level.

Founders Award. The nominee for the Founders Award should be a Brother of chapter, district and international recognition who exhibits the highest ideals of Omega's Four Cardinal Principles - *Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift*. The Brother should be recognized for his contributions to society that have enhanced the welfare of mankind, both locally and nationally.

Nominations should be accompanied by a concise and thorough documentation of the nominee's sustained contribution and achievements over several years to reflect lifelong service to the Fraternity.

Nominees must be financial at Chapter, District and National levels.

Omega Man of the Year Award (Graduate and Undergraduate). The Graduate nominee should be a Brother who has made significant contributions to his Chapter, his District and on the International level of the Fraternity. This nominee should also be one who has made significant contributions to his community. Additionally, the nominee must be financial at the Chapter, District, and International level during the year immediately prior to the award and during the award year.

The Undergraduate nominee must be actively pursuing an undergraduate degree and be in good academic and financial standing with his college or university. The Undergraduate nominee should be a Brother who has made significant contributions to his Chapter, College or University, his local community, his District and on the International level. Additionally, the nominee must be financial at the Chapter, District, and International levels during the immediate year prior to the award and the year of the award. The exception would be if he were not a member of the Fraternity in the prior year.

Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award (Graduate and Undergraduate).

Colonel (Bro) Charles Denton Young was elected the second honorary member of the Fraternity on March 8, 1912. Colonel Young, the ranking African-American officer in the military at the time of his death, died in Africa on January 2, 1922. To commemorate the great works of this Omega Man, the Omega Memorial Day and the ritual were both revised by the 1922 Grand Conclave held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Colonel Young was highly respected by the brothers and today is still regarded as a great military leader and a role model for all Omega Men.

The International Achievement Week Committee will evaluate nominations from the Districts based on the following criteria:

1. Nominee must be financial on the Chapter, District and National Levels
2. The nominee must be considered "on active duty" with any branch of the US armed forces during the period in which he is nominated.

3. The nominee's rank is not a consideration for this award (can be enlisted or a commissioned officer).
4. Nominee must have made outstanding contributions to the fraternity at chapter, district, international level (chapters/district are expected to support all nationally and district mandated programs) and the military.
5. Nominees must have served in a manner above and beyond the ordinary participation levels necessary to implement programs and projects. Nominees should be involved with the organization, planning and implementation of programs and projects.
6. Documentation associated with this award must demonstrate the nominee's activities and be certified by the Basileus and Keeper of Records and Seal on the Chapter level and by the Achievement Week Chairman on the District Level.

Chapter of the Year (Graduate and Undergraduate). The Chapter of the Year should be a chapter that has made significant contributions on the District and the International level of the Fraternity as well as to its community. Additionally, the chapter must be in good standing at the District and International level during the year immediately prior to the award and during the award year.

The Undergraduate chapter must be in good standing with its college or university (as defined by the college or university). The Undergraduate chapter should be a chapter that has made significant contributions to its college or university, its local community as well as on the District and International level of the Fraternity. Additionally, the chapter must be in good standing at the District and International levels during the immediate year prior to the award and the year of the award. The exception would be only for chapters that were not chartered in the prior year.

The scoring criteria for the award listed below for both Graduate and Undergraduate chapters.

International Achievement Week Committee Scoring Scale

Scoring Superior Service, Founders and Omega Man of the Year Awards

The General Criteria is:

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| 1. Contributions to Omega on the Chapter, District and International Levels | 50 Points |
| 2. Documented active participatory membership in his chapter | 30 Points |
| 3. Contributions to humanity as a citizen and loyal Brother | 20 Points |

Scoring Citizen of the Year

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| 1. Documented service to the community and professional recognition | 50 Points |
| 2. Noteworthy achievements during the year in organizations | 30 Points |
| 3. Honor and awards | 20 Points |

Scoring Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award

The General Criteria is:

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| 1. Contributions to Omega on the Chapter, District and International Levels | 30 Points |
| 2. Documented active participatory membership in his chapter | 20 Points |
| 3. Contributions to humanity as a citizen and loyal Brother | 20 Points |
| 4. Leadership roles and documented activities demonstrating leadership associated with his military service. | 30 Points |

INTERNATIONAL CHAPTER OF THE YEAR Evaluation Criteria

	Maximum Weight	Nominee's Score
1. Scrap Book		
a) Cover <i>(Attractiveness, creativity, solid construction)</i>	2	_____
b) Table of Contents <i>(Sequence of the scrap book)</i>	2	_____
c) Proper labeling <i>(Documentation: Captions on the photographs and proper labeling scrap book sections)</i>	2	_____
Sub-total for Scrap Book	6	_____
2. Programs		
a) Achievement Week	8	_____
b) Scholarships (KRS conformation required)	8	_____
c) Conclave / Leadership Conf Delegates <i>(KRS confirmation required)</i>	4	_____
d) Memorial Service	8	_____
e) Social Action	8	_____
f) Talent Hunt	8	_____
g) Reclamation / Retention	8	_____
h) College Endowment Fund	8	_____
i) NAACP Life Member	4	_____
j) National Health Initiative	8	_____
k) Other Local Campus or Community Based Activities <i>(Documentation: mentoring programs, adopt-a-highway, visiting nursing homes, after school, youth athletic programs etc.)</i>	16	_____
Sub-total for Fraternity Programs	88	_____
3. Chapter Awards and Other Recognitions	6	_____
Total	100	_____

Special Notes:

- Ω The summary shall follow the outline above and each section should be arranged as follows:
1. *Agenda, Program or Flyer that outlines or announces the event*
 2. *Photos (labeled to include description of the event and date) and news articles that support the activity*
 3. *Written report that documents the results of the activity*

Pictures and photographs in the summary should coincide with the dates of the period covered.

Criteria Summary Form

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. International Achievement Awards

General rules for completing this form:

1. The application must be typed responses that are clear, concise, specific, and fully address the topic area. Please carefully read each question before responding.
2. Do not include activities more than once. Enter the activity into the area that it most appropriately supports. Credit will only be given for one entry of an event or activity.
3. All events and or activities listed must be dated reflecting the year of the event or activity. Events or activities that are not dated will not be considered in the scoring.
4. Specific and clearly marked supporting data may be attached to support any section. The **total** of all supporting data for the nomination is **limited to four (4) pages (single-sided)**. Attached documentation must address a specific section and should be clearly labeled to indicate the section that this material supports. If it cannot be clearly determined, this information will not be considered.
5. Applications will not be accepted without the Chapter Basileus and Keeper of Records and Seal signature validating the content and good standing (financial / other) of the nominee. This excludes nonmembers who should be in good standing in their community. Brothers nominated must be in good standing with the Fraternity.

Check the category for award consideration. A separate form must be completed for each applicant.

<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Omega Man of the Year	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Citizen of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/> Superior Service Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Founders Award
<input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate Omega Man of the Year	<input type="checkbox"/> Chapter of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/> Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award	

Year of Award: November 1, _____ to October 31, _____
(Note: should correspond with the Fraternity's fiscal calendar)

Chapter or Nominee's Name:

First	Middle	Last
Control Number:	_____	
Street Address:	_____	
City/State/Zip Code:	_____	
Chapter Name/District:	_____	
Location of Chapter:	_____	

1. List contributions or achievements that the candidate has made which have **Chapter or Local Community (for Citizen of the Year Award)** significance or impact. Contributions / achievements should be specifically stated and should be applicable for / to the year in which the individual was selected for the award at the chapter level. List specific date(s) for criteria submitted.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to fraternal activities only for the nominees for Omega Man of the Year, Superior Service or the Founders Award. The events should have taken place during the year under consideration except for Founders Award, which should reflect lifelong service to the Fraternity. For the Citizen of the Year, this section applies to any citizen or Brother (not required to be financial, but must not be expelled/suspended or on probation) that has demonstrated leadership in the local community.

2. List contributions or achievements the candidate has made which have **District or Regional (for Citizen of the Year Award)** significance or impact. Contributions and or achievements should be specifically stated and should be applicable for / to the year in which the individual was selected for the award at the local Chapter and District level. List specific date(s) for criteria submitted.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to fraternal activities only for the nominees for Omega Man of the Year, Superior Service or the Founders Award. The events should have taken place during the year under consideration and should serve to document the Brothers service except for Founders Award, which should reflect lifelong service to the Fraternity. For the Citizen of the Year, this section applies to any citizen or Brother (not required to be financial, but must not be expelled/suspended or on probation) that has demonstrated leadership that extends beyond the community to include regional impact.

3. List contributions or achievements the candidate has made (* if any) which have **International or National (Citizen of the Year)** significance or impact. Contributions and / or achievements should be specifically stated and should be applicable for /to the year in which the individual was selected for the award at the local chapter level. List specific date(s) for criteria submitted.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to fraternal activities only for the nominees for Omega Man of the Year, Superior Service or the Founders Award. The events should have taken place during the year under consideration and should serve to document the Brothers service except for Founders Award, which should reflect lifelong service to the Fraternity. For the Citizen of the Year, this section applies to any citizen or Brother (not required to be financial, but must not be expelled/suspended or on probation) that has demonstrated leadership that extends beyond the community to include national impact.)

4. List other attributes or considerations that specifically identify contributions that the individual has made to **humanity as a general citizen**. If the nominee is an applicant for the Citizen of the Year Award, provide documentation that addresses the promotion of the nominee's respective area of competence.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to the nominee's contributions to his local / regional or the national community (if any) in the area of professional, civic and religious activities that extend beyond the fraternity. Fraternal activities should be listed in sections 1, 2 and 3 above.)

Scoring Questions for Colonel Charles Denton Young Military Leadership Award Only.

1. List contributions or achievements that the candidate has made which have made significant impact on the chapter level. Contributions/achievements should be specifically stated and should be applicable for/to the year in which the individual was selected for the award at the chapter level. List specific date(s) for criteria submitted.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to fraternal activities only. The events should have taken place during the year under consideration.)

Scoring Questions for Colonel Charles Denton Young Military Leadership Award Only.

2. List contributions or achievements that the candidate has made which have made significant impact on the district level. Contributions and or achievements should be specifically stated and should be applicable for/to the year in which the individual was selected for the award at the local Chapter and District level. List specific date(s) for criteria submitted.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to fraternal activities only. The events should have taken place during the year under consideration.)

Scoring Questions for Colonel Charles Young Military Leadership Award Only.

3. List contributions or achievements the candidate has made which have International significance or impact. Contributions and or achievements should be specifically stated and should be applicable for/to the year in which the individual was selected for the award at the local chapter level. List specific date(s) for criteria submitted.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to fraternal activities only. The events should have taken place during the year under consideration.)

Scoring Questions for Colonel Charles Denton Young Military Leadership Award Only.

4. List other attributes or considerations that specifically identify the nominee's military leadership activities, which must be certified by the Basileus and Keeper of Records and Seal on the Chapter level and by the Achievement Week Chairman on the District Level.

(Documentation: Entries for this section should pertain to the Brothers military leadership).

