



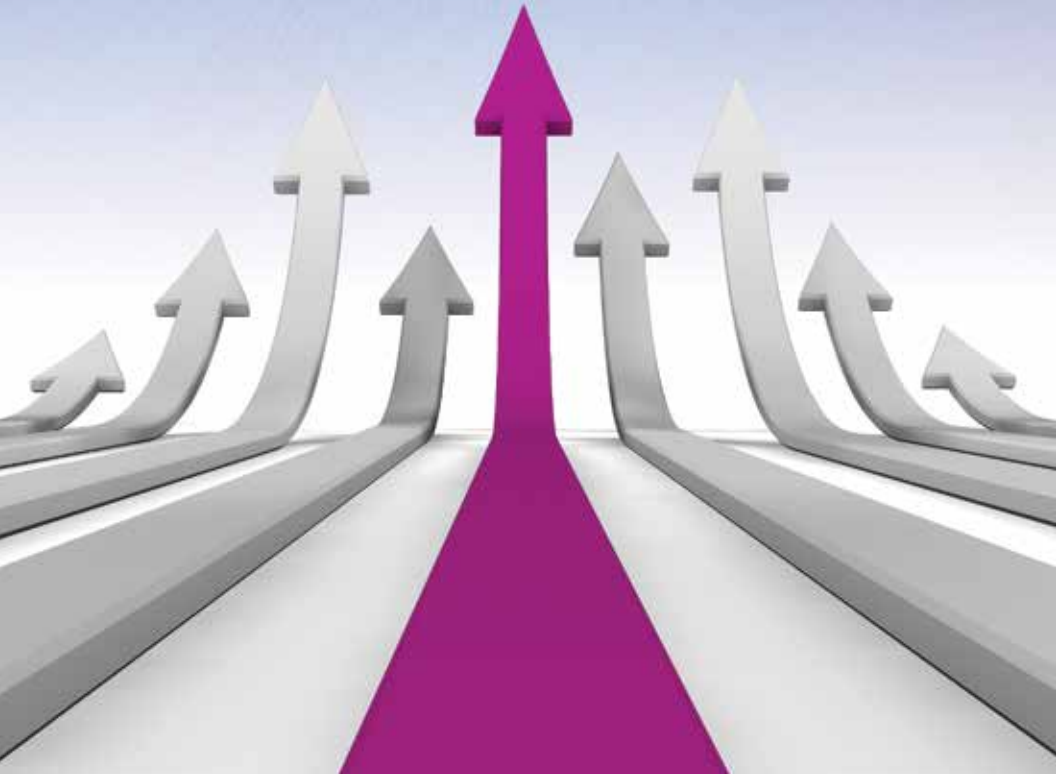
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KAPPA DELTA PI

INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY IN EDUCATION

LEADERSHIP ROLES

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL



Your leadership can play an important role in the future of Kappa Delta Pi as we seek to:

- Position KDP as a leader in supporting teachers and positively impacting teacher effectiveness through innovative services and resources
- Enhance the membership experience at all levels to help members grow personally and professionally
- Empower educators to become great leaders
- Attract and retain the best and brightest scholars
- Facilitate collaboration among the educators of KDP's global community



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What are the benefits of serving in a leadership role in Kappa Delta Pi?

- Involvement with an organization that has a long, rich history of recognizing excellence in education
- Association with an organization that strives to improve the quality of education on the global level
- Participation in leadership training
- Leadership experience
- Opportunities to interact and to share ideas and practices with educators from across the globe
- Service opportunities to make a difference from local communities to a global scale



In general, what will your duties consist of if elected to the Executive Council?

A detailed list of the duties of the Executive Council can be found in the bylaws; however, as a member of the Executive Council you can expect to:

- Attend three Executive Council meetings each Society year (travel is funded by Kappa Delta Pi)
- Participate in Executive Council conference calls
- Oversee budgetary and fiscal decisions necessary for the solvency of the Society
- Develop the strategic direction and vision of the Society
- Conduct business pertinent to the establishment of new chapters and the suspension of inactive chapters
- Monitor the implementation of all KDP policies and procedures and provide updates as needed
- Complete assigned tasks, including, but not limited to, chartering new chapters, speaking at special events, serving as a liaison to a standing committee, contacting members, and promoting the Society at educational events, meetings, and other gatherings
- Actively participate in Convocation, including providing a written report of accomplishments and activities completed during the biennium

Questions to ponder before you commit . . .

Before expressing a willingness to serve or assuming any leadership position, you need to consider several vital questions for both your personal and professional well-being:

- Do you have the time?
- Do you understand the duties and obligations associated with the position?
- Are you comfortable in being an effective contributor to the strategic planning and environmental scanning process?
- Are you willing to legally assume fiduciary responsibility for KDP?
- Are you willing to help the Executive Council operate at a strategic level, always looking at the big picture for the organization?
- Are you comfortable in providing thoughtful questions that probe the organization's direction?
- Have you had previous experience as a board member?
- Will you encourage the Executive Council to be a "learning" entity, devoted to continuous improvement?

Are you interested in serving on the Executive Council at the highest level of leadership?

KDP leaders who aspire to serve in the role of President must commit to six (6) consecutive years of service, including service as President-Elect and Past President.

Qualifications:


Only active members of the Society are eligible for election. The President-Elect, at the time of nomination, must be an active member of the Society for at least the previous five (5) years and a widely recognized model of leadership within the profession and service to the Society.

Length of Service:

Persons elected to the office of President-Elect may serve in that office, the office of President, and the office of Past President for only one (1) biennium for each office. However, the President-Elect may serve the unexpired term of the President then in office, should such a vacancy occur, and the full term of the following biennium as President.

**Words of wisdom from former
Executive Council Members:**

The offices of President-Elect/President/Past President amount to a six-year sequence, which is an enormous time commitment. Candidates must be prepared to coordinate their responsibilities and activities with employers (and family!). The candidate must prepare and ensure the availability of time for reflection, thinking, planning, and writing.



PRESIDENT-ELECT

Duties of the President-Elect as defined in the bylaws:

1. Presiding in the absence of the President
2. In case of a vacancy in the President's office, performing the duties of that office
3. Preparing for the presidency
4. Carrying out such other duties as may be assigned by the President subject to appeal to the Executive Council

Additional duties of the President-Elect, as described by a recent officer, include:

- Serving as liaison to the Budget Committee
- Representing the Society at selected meetings, as necessary
- Assisting in fundraising activities

PRESIDENT

Duties of the President as defined in the bylaws:

The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Society and shall assume responsibilities, including:

1. Presiding over meetings of the Executive Council and the Convocation
2. Appointing committee members, in consultation with the Headquarters staff
3. Arranging, in conjunction with the Executive Director, for the installation of new chapters

Additional duties of the President, as described by a recent officer, include:

- Serving as an ambassador of the Society within the larger education community
- Representing the Society at official functions (including installation of new chapters, recruiting new chapters, general initiations, and regular chapter meetings)
- Advising the Executive Director on policies and procedures
- Maintaining active communication with the Executive Director
- Assisting in fundraising activities

Words of wisdom from former Executive Council Members:

Read and learn about budgets and all aspects of the organization so that you can make informed decisions.

PAST PRESIDENT

Duties as defined in the bylaws:

The Past President shall advise the President and the Executive Council.

Duties of the Past President, as described by a recent officer, include:

- Assisting with fundraising activities
- Serving as contact for Whistleblower Policy
- Serving as advisor to the President about past practices of the Council
- Representing the Society at selected meetings
- Maintaining continuity of leadership
- Serving as a member of the Executive Committee
- Attending Past President meetings at Convocation
- Hosting former Presidents at Convocation events
- Serving as liaison to the Nominations Committee
- Assisting in developing programs to build future leaders

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What leadership competencies should a member of the Executive Council have?

In the rapidly changing education and business environments, key competencies of KDP leaders include:

- Strong commitment and available time to serve
- Creativity and an ability to generate innovative ideas
- Energy, charisma, and passion; transformational leadership skills; ability to rally people
- Technology skills
- Willingness to travel; cultural and global awareness
- Competency in business and law
- Knowledge of governance
- Awareness of the educational landscape
- Background in philanthropy
- Strong communication skills; interpersonal skills; ability to negotiate and act diplomatically
- Ability to communicate in more than one language
- Emotional intelligence
- Entrepreneurial thinking and experience

Never underestimate that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world, indeed it's the only thing that ever has.

Margaret Mead, KDP Laureate

Are you interested in serving on the Executive Council?

Candidates for serving on the Executive Council are nominated in the fall of uneven-numbered years. Terms begin on July 1 of even-numbered years.

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