



*Sigma Theta Tau International*

**Pi Mu At-Large Chapter**

*Nurse Leader*

*Application Packet*

## SIGMA THETA TAU

### PI MU CHAPTER-AT-LARGE

We would like to invite you to apply for membership in Sigma Theta Tau, the international honor society of nursing.

The purposes of the society are to:

1. Recognize superior achievement.
2. Recognize the development of leadership qualities.
3. Foster high professional standards.
4. Encourage creative work.
5. Strengthen commitments to the ideals and purposes of the profession.

The qualifications for the selection of membership are defined as follows:

1. All Candidates

- a. All candidates shall have demonstrated superior scholastic achievement, evidence of professional leadership potential and/or marked achievement in the field of nursing.

2. Nurse Leaders

- a. Nurses with a baccalaureate or higher degree must demonstrate superior contributions to the profession. Please be sure to offer evidence of accomplishments. Examples:
  - Attainment of a leadership role through:
    - Activities within the professional community.
    - Activities within the community at large.
  - Marked achievement in nursing through:
    - Contributions to the nursing literature.
    - Continuing education, formal and informal, for self and others.
    - Development and implementation of original nursing projects which improve care to patients and/or administration of a nursing unit.
    - Recognition for achievements by awards of various kinds.
    - Research in nursing.
    - Innovations in practice or administration.

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PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION

1. Two letters of endorsement (see form attached) are required of each applicant. For applicants, one of these two letters of endorsement is required from an active Sigma Theta Tau member.
2. Applicants must submit a resume or curriculum vitae with their application.
3. It is the responsibility of all applicants to be sure that their application (application form, endorsements, resume/curriculum vitae, and/or supporting evidence) is completed by the appointed time. The committee WILL NOT notify applicants that their application is incomplete. The application will NOT be considered unless it is complete.
4. Applications are non-returnable, but will remain on file for a period of one year.
5. Send completed application to:  
Christy Comer  
Eligibility Committee, Pi Mu Chapter-At-Large  
c/o Department of Nursing, MSC 4305  
Harrisonburg, VA 22807
6. Applicants will be notified of the chapter's decision during the week after a vote by the membership of Pi Mu at the next business meeting. Inductions take place twice/year during the Spring and Fall.
7. Eligible candidates will receive email or written notification from STTI headquarters inviting him/her to join STTI at which time chapter dues of \$30.00 and International dues of \$65.00 totaling \$95.00 must be submitted.

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**MEMBERSHIP INTENT FORM  
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NURSE LEADER**

Criteria: Nurses with a minimum of a baccalaureate degree who have demonstrated marked achievement in education, practice, research, administration or publication.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Present Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Formal Education (List highest degree first and attach a copy of documentation of highest degree received)  
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Please check areas of achievement in Nursing:

- Education
- Practice
- Research
- Administration
- Publication
- Other (please indicate)

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Candidate's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please attach to this form:

1. Vitae which includes formal education, professional work, experiences, community participation, publications, papers presented, research, grants received, teaching activities. Please include a description of present and most recent contributions in nursing and future professional goals.
2. Please elaborate on how you plan to contribute to Pi Mu.
3. Two letters of endorsement. The letters of endorsement can be from nursing faculty or other nurses in leadership roles.

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**ENDORSEMENT FOR MEMBERSHIP**

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**NURSE LEADER**

Definition: An endorsement is a letter supporting an individual for membership\* in the nursing honor society. Two endorsements per individual are necessary in order for an application to be considered by the Honor Society Eligibility Committee. The endorsements are required to be from nursing faculty, other nurses in leadership positions, or active Sigma Theta Tau International member.

This endorsement enables the candidate to be considered for membership. The eligibility committee of the honor society invites your letter of endorsement supporting the following individual for members:

\_\_\_\_\_ Is applying for membership in the Pi Mu Chapter-At-Large Nursing Honor Society.

**On the basis of this individual's achievement and my knowledge of the purposes of the honor society, I heartily endorse this individual for membership in the nursing honor society.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an honor society member?  Yes  No

If yes, please indicate chapter:

Comments (if desired): \_\_\_\_\_  
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The NURSE LEADER CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP ARE AS FOLLOWS: A nurse leader is eligible for membership if the leader has a minimum of a bachelor's degree and has demonstrated marked achievement in nursing in at least one of the following areas: education, research, practice, administration or publication.

