

RECOGNIZING CAMPUS COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Omicron Delta Kappa – one of the most prestigious national societies to recognize leadership – is now accepting applications for the Spring 2021 semester. The Sigma Circle of ODK at College Park began in 1927 and, since then, has initiated over 4000 students, faculty, and honorary members. ODK tapped Senator Joe Tydings in 1950 when he was playing varsity lacrosse and US Congressman Steny Hoyer in 1962 when he was SGA Vice President. ODK has also initiated other proven leaders such as State Senate President Thomas V. "Mike" Miller, President Wallace Loh, Coach Brenda Frese, ESPN's Scott Van Pelt, and honorary members President Franklin D. Roosevelt and Civil Rights Activist Julian Bond. The names of all of these outstanding leaders, along with many others, are engraved on the ODK Fountain on McKeldin Mall.

ODK brings together junior, senior, and graduate students with our most outstanding faculty members, to recognize campus leaders and to encourage other students to achieve. We seek accomplished leaders in five areas of campus community life.

SCHOLARSHIP

- ✤ CAMPUS OR COMMUNITY SERVICE, SOCIAL, RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES AND CAMPUS GOVERNMENT
- ✤ ATHLETICS
- SOURNALISM, SPEECH AND THE MASS MEDIA
- **CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS**

Omicron Delta Kappa requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.480 for juniors (60-89 credits), 3.520 for seniors (90+ credits), and 3.870 for graduate students to be considered for membership.

ODK needs your help to identify talented and deserving leaders for consideration!

Applications are available ONLINE now! Students should visit <u>www.odk.umd.edu</u> to begin the application process. Applications must be received electronically no later than **4:00 p.m., Friday, February 21, 2021.**



ODK Freshmen & Sophomore Awards

Each year, Omicron Delta Kappa - Sigma Circle seeks to encourage freshmen and sophomore student leaders to strengthen their leadership skills by recognizing their achievements on campus through the Top Ten Freshman and Sophomore Leader of the Year awards.

The Sigma Circle selects the Top Ten Freshman and Sophomore Leader of the Year using the same five areas of campus community life that are used in selecting our regular membership class:

- SCHOLARSHIP
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This year, both applications will open on **Monday, February 1, 2021** and close **Friday, February 19, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.** Please feel free to email us at <u>odk@umd.edu</u> if you have any questions and check out our website at <u>www.odk.umd.edu</u> to read more about the awards and past award recipients.