

Dear Student Members or Invited Members of Phi Kappa Phi,

The BYU chapter will be accepting applications from well-qualified students to be chosen as our chapter's nominee for a national Phi Kappa Phi graduate fellowship. **Complete applications must be submitted to Dr. Lawrence Rees by February 15, 2016.**

Each year, the national organization of Phi Kappa Phi awards 51 fellowships of \$5,000 each and 6 at \$15,000 each to **members entering the first year of graduate or professional study**. The BYU chapter is allowed to nominate ONE student to compete for these fellowships.

In 2015, Braden Hancock received a \$15,000 fellowship to study Mechanical Engineering at Stanford University; in 2014, Zach Hopkins received a \$5,000 fellowship to study medicine at the University of Utah; in 2013 Ariel Mitchell, a playwright, was awarded a \$5,000 fellowship to attend New York University; and in 2011, Ben Frandsen earned one of the \$15,000 fellowships to study physics at Columbia University.

If you meet the following profile, you might consider applying to be BYU's nominee:

- You are an active member of Phi Kappa Phi (annual dues paid by April 15 of the current year) or you have accepted membership by June 30, 2016. Applications will be accepted from individuals selected for membership but not yet initiated; see the application form for details.
- You will be enrolled as a full-time student in a post-baccalaureate program of study in 2016-17. (You will have to list the institutions you have applied to.)
- If you have successfully completed 10 or more graduate credits on or before April 15, 2016, you are NOT eligible.
- You have a GPA of approximately 3.8 or higher (a lower GPA might be considered provided other elements of the application package are strong).
- You have a record of accomplishment as evidenced by awards, recognitions, honors received as an undergraduate, scholarships, research grants, publications, juried shows, and/or recitals.
- You have a record of leadership and volunteer service (not essential but highly recommended).
- Participation in the university's Honors Program is strongly recommended but *not* required.
- You must have three strong letters of recommendation ready by February 8, 2016, from professors or supervisors who know you well.
- Test scores from such exams as the GRE, MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, etc. are required if you have taken one of these tests. If you are in a field that does not require these exams, you may submit in their place a CD, DVD, slides, or several pages of a manuscript as evidence of your abilities.
- Students registering in all professional and graduate fields are eligible.
- International students are eligible.
- Accredited international institutions are acceptable.
- Winners may defer for up to two years, pending approval.

Students interested in applying to become BYU's nominee for a national Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship should visit <http://www.phikappaphi.org/grants-awards/fellowship> to download the application form.

The completed application form *with three letters of recommendation* should be submitted no later than **Feb. 15, 2016**, to Dr. Lawrence Rees at N-357 Eyring Science Center. You can email Dr. Rees at lawrence_rees@byu.edu or telephone (801) 422-4307 if you have questions.