



PI KAPPA DELTA

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Pi Kappa Delta Bylaws

I. Chapter Exclusivity and Membership

A. Chapter Exclusivity.

Only one Undergraduate Pi Kappa Delta Chapter shall be chartered and recognized on each eligible accredited college or university campus. Colleges or Universities with multiple campus locations may, however, petition the National Council for an official exception to this policy. In the event that an Undergraduate or Alumni Chapter is no longer in good standing, or is in inactive status, however, any group of five Pi Kappa Delta members in good standing may petition the National Council to have the respective Charter transferred to a new Chapter Sponsor, provided the chapter sponsor meets the requirements for sponsorship specified in the constitution.. Upon such a transfer, the new Chapter Sponsor shall assume all rights and responsibilities associated with the Chapter.

B. Membership for members joining prior to college matriculation.

Members of the Order of the Undergraduate who join Pi Kappa Delta prior to their arrival on a college or university campus are automatically enrolled in the National General chapter. If they subsequently attend college on a campus with an active Undergraduate Chapter, they may, upon acceptance by the Chapter transfer their membership to that chapter. In the event that their request for membership is rejected by the Chapter, they shall remain members of the National General chapter, and shall retain all rights and privileges of membership, but shall not be eligible for intercollegiate tournament competition.

C. Grandfather Clause.

Any current members of the Order of the Undergraduate from active PKD Chapters may record credit points from the 2010-2011 season.

II. Degrees of Membership

A. Degrees of Membership. All Pi Kappa Delta members (including members of the Order of Undergraduate, the Order of Instruction, the Order of Attainment, the Order of Alumni, and Affiliate and Honorary members) may earn credit points and pursue various degrees of membership, denoted as follows:

- Member: 99 points or fewer
- The Degree of Proficiency: 100 – 299 credit points
- The Degree of Achievement: 300-599 points
- The Degree of Merit: 600-899 points

The Degree of Excellence: 900-1199 points
The Degree of Distinction: 1200-1499 points
The Degree of Honor: 1500-1999 points
The Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment -- Bronze Key: 2000-2499 points
The Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment -- Silver Key: 2500-2999 points
The Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment -- Gold Key: 3000-4999 points
The Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment -- Platinum Key: 5000 points and above

B. Credit Points. Credit points may be awarded for participation in intercollegiate competitions, scholarly activities and community service projects. Double credit points will be awarded if earned at the PKD National Comprehensive Tournament, the PKD National Tournament and Competition, or at an annually sanctioned PKD Provincial Tournament.

- 1. Eligibility:** To be eligible for credit points, an individual must be an active Pi Kappa Delta member (affiliated with either the National General Chapter or a local chapter), must be in good standing, and must have paid their dues and fees prior to the competition in which the credit points were earned. Members of the Orders of Instruction, and the Order of Alumni must also be Pi Kappa Delta members in good standing, and must have paid their dues and fees (including any required Chapter or Provincial dues and fees) prior to the time in which the credit points were earned. Credit points will NOT be awarded retroactively to any individual who has failed to meet these criteria.
- 2. Credit Point Entry and Auditing:** The Director of Forensics, Head Coach or Chapter Sponsor shall have the final authority (and responsibility) for entering credit points. Upon their consent, a squad record-keeper may be appointed and charged with the task of entering credit points.

The National Council may periodically audit individual point records or entire squad records to verify the accuracy of the data entered. If discrepancies occur during the course of an audit, the National Council shall have the right to determine an appropriate punishment. The Director, head Coach or Chapter Sponsor will be granted thirty days during which they shall have the opportunity to defend the accuracy of previously recorded data, and, in the event that a sanction is levied, an additional thirty days to petition the National Council to consider an alteration or reduction in the sanction.

- 3. Supplementary Credit Point Categories:** The National Council may grant additional credit points for excellence in Pi Kappa Delta service, governance or competitive activities, or for other activities not named in this Constitution (such as, for example, Chapter Oral History Presentations, service on the National Council, or service as a National Tournament Host or Director). Such periodic supplementary credit point awards are intended to incentivize participation in activities deemed strategic priorities of the organization or to recognize extraordinary individual contributions to Pi Kappa Delta's mission or governance.
- 4. Transfer Credit Points:** Pi Kappa Delta members in good standing who were NFL members in Junior or Senior High School may transfer ten percent of their cumulative earned NFL points to their Pi Kappa Delta credit point accounts within their first year of competition as Pi Kappa Delta members. When transferring from one Pi Kappa Delta chapter to another, or from the National General Chapter to a Local Chapter, Pi Kappa Delta members in good standing may also transfer all of their earned Pi Kappa Delta credit points to their new chapter affiliation.

III. **Intercollegiate Competitions: Definitions and credit point awards**

- A. For the purposes of awarding credit points, an intercollegiate competition is defined as any competitive tournament involving teams representing eight or more accredited colleges or universities. If fewer than eight schools are represented, credit points awarded to participants shall be reduced by one point per section. (For example, a first place rank would be eligible for five credit points, rather than six credit points.) If fewer than four schools are represented, no credit points shall be awarded.

- B. Members of the Order of Instruction and the Order of Alumni are eligible to receive ten-percent of the degree points earned by their competitors. It is the duty of the Director of Forensics, Head Coach, Instructor or Local Chapter Sponsor to determine how a given competitor's degree points shall be divided among coaching staffs and to ensure that the degree points are recorded accurately, provided that the total number of degree points awarded does not exceed ten percent of the cumulative total degree points earned by the chapter at a given competition. These points should be recorded on "tournament by tournament" basis, and need not be recorded in association with the degree points earned by any particular competitor. See the bylaws for further information.

C. Debate Competitions.

- 1. Credit points may be awarded for participation in intercollegiate debate competitions. For all intercollegiate competitive debates won, a participant shall receive 6 points. For each losing or non-decision intercollegiate competitive debate, s/he shall receive 3 points. No points shall be awarded for forfeits or byes, except in circumstances where both teams involved are from the same school. If teams are rated, the highest rating shall be scored as a debate won. All other ratings shall be scored as debates lost. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points.

- 2. Unless otherwise stipulated by the National Council, any format of intercollegiate debate offered in tournament competition is eligible for points. For the purposes of this document, however, British Parliamentary Debate is considered an Individual Event (see below).

- D. Individual Events Competitions.** Unless otherwise stipulated by the National Council, credit points may be awarded for participation in any individual events category offered at an intercollegiate competition. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points. Credit points for intercollegiate individual events competitions shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

1st place rank – 6 points
2nd place rank – 5 points
3rd place rank – 4 points
4th place rank – 3 points
5th place rank – 2 points
All other ranks – 1 point

- E. British Parliamentary Debate and Discussion Competitions.** Credit points may be awarded for participation in intercollegiate British Parliamentary Debate or Discussion competitions. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points. Credit points for intercollegiate competitive British Parliamentary Debate or Discussion competitions shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

1st place rank – 6 points
2nd place rank – 5 points
3rd place rank – 4 points
4th place rank – 3 points
5th place rank – 2 points
All other ranks – 1 point

- F. Student Congress or Model United Nations Competitions.** Credit points may be awarded for participation in intercollegiate Student Congress or Model United Nations competitions. Speeches presented in both plenary sessions and subcommittees shall be eligible for credit points provided that the speeches are officially adjudicated. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points. Credit points for intercollegiate Student Congress or Model United Nations competitions shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

1st place rank- 6 points
2nd place rank – 6 points
3rd place rank – 5 points
4th place rank – 5 points
5th place rank – 4 points
6th place rank – 4 points
7th place rank – 3 points
8th place rank – 3 points
9th place rank – 2 points
10th place rank – 2 points
All other ranks – 1 point

- G. Reader's Theater Competitions.** Credit points may be awarded for each student that participates in an intercollegiate Reader's Theater competition. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points. Credit points for Reader's Theater competitions shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

1st place rank – 6 points
2nd place rank – 3 points
3rd place and all other ranks – 1 point.

- H. Mock Trial Competitions.** Credit points may be awarded for participation in intercollegiate Mock Trial Competitions. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points, and points may be recorded for students participating as either attorneys or witnesses, and as either plaintiffs/prosecutors or defendants/defenders. Credit points for intercollegiate Mock Trial competitions shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

1st place rank – 6 points
2nd place rank – 5 points
3rd place rank – 4 points
4th place rank – 3 points
5th place rank – 2 points
All other ranks – 1 point

- I. Radio or Television Broadcasting Competitions.** Credit points may be awarded for participation in intercollegiate Radio or Television Broadcasting competition. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points. Credit points for intercollegiate Radio or Television Broadcasting competitions shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

1st place rank – 6 points
2nd place rank – 5 points
3rd place rank – 4 points
4th place rank – 3 points
5th place rank – 2 points
All other ranks – 1 point

IV. Scholarly Activities:

- A. Undergraduate Scholarly Research and Creativity Activities.** As a nationally recognized honorary society, Pi Kappa Delta encourages each of its members of the Order of the Undergraduate to strive for academic and scholarly excellence. Accordingly, credit points may be awarded for undergraduate participation in a wide variety of academic scholarly research and creativity and activities. Credit points shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

Participation in an intercollegiate undergraduate research or honors conference – 10 points
Publication of a peer-reviewed national or regional journal article or book review – 20 points
Publication of a peer-reviewed state journal article or book review – 10 points
Publication of a newspaper (non-campus) article or letter to the editor – 5 points
Successful defense of an undergraduate honor's thesis – 5 points
Submission of a formal Order of Attainment Nomination to the National Council – 5 points
Production (and submission to the PKD website) of a speech or debate web tool – 5 points
Production (and submission to the PKD website) of a speech or debate curriculum packet, research bibliography, coaching tool, or teaching activity – 5 points
Production and submission of a Chapter Oral History presentation – 5 points
Selection as a departmental teaching assistant, research assistant or tutor – 5 points
Recipient of a national, regional or Provincial academic scholarship, prize or award – 10 points
Recipient of a college or university-wide academic scholarship, prize or award – 5 points
Recipient of a departmental academic scholarship, prize or award – 3 points
Hosting of a debate watch, public forum debate or other civic engagement activity – 5 points
Participation in a television or radio broadcast, or quotation in a newspaper article as a expert, or as an advocate of speech or debate activities – 5 points

- B. Post-graduate Scholarly Research and Creativity Activities.** Pi Kappa Delta also encourages each of its members of the Order of Instruction, the Order of Alumni, the Order of Attainment and the Order of Affiliate to strive for academic and scholarly excellence. Accordingly, credit points may be awarded for participation in a wide variety of academic scholarly and research activities. Credit points shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

Participation as a peer reviewer for a scholarly journal, or for a regional or national scholarly research conference – 10 points
Participation as a respondent at a national, provincial, or regional scholarly research conference – 10

points

- Publication of a scholarly book – 50 points
- Publication of a peer-reviewed national or regional journal article or book review – 10 points
- Publication of a peer-reviewed state journal article or book review – 10 points
- Publication of a newspaper (non-campus) article or letter to the editor – 5 points
- Presentation at a national, Provincial, state, or regional scholarly conference – 10 points
- Service as chair of an undergraduate or graduate thesis – 5 points
- Service as the host of the National Comprehensive Tournament, or National Tournament and Convention – 25 points
- Service as host of a sanctioned Provincial Tournament or Research Conference – 10 points
- Service as the leader or chief officer of a national governing body of a speech or debate organization – 20 points (per year of service)
- Service as a member of a national governing body of a speech or debate organization – 10 points (per year of service)
- Service as the leader or as a member of the governing body of a Provincial, state or regional speech or debate organization – 5 points (per year of service)
- Service as a Department Chair, Faculty Committee Chair, Faculty Senate Officer, or campus program Director – 5 points (per year of service)
- Recipient of a national, Provincial, state, or regional scholarly research grant, prize, teaching, or service award – 20 points
- Recipient of a college or university-wide teaching, scholarly research grant, prize, teaching or service award – 10 points
- Recipient of a departmental scholarly research grant, prize, teaching or service award – 3 points
- Submission of a formal Order of Attainment Nomination to the National Council – 5 points
- Production (and submission to the PKD website) of a speech or debate web tool – 5 points
- Production (and submission to the PKD website) of a speech or debate curriculum packet, research bibliography, coaching tool, or teaching activity – 5 points
- Production and submission of a Chapter Oral History presentation – 5 points
- Participation in a television or radio broadcast, or quotation in a newspaper article as an expert, or as an advocate of speech or debate activities – 5 points

V. Service Projects:

Pi Kappa Delta encourages each of its members to pursue lives of service to their individual and communities, as well as to the broader speech and debate community. Accordingly, credit points may be awarded for a wide variety of community service projects. Points shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

A. Service Speeches. Credit points may be awarded for service speeches presented to a radio or television audience, or to a live audience of 20 or more people. Credit points for service speeches shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

- 1 point if a member
- 2 points if holding the Degree of Proficiency
- 3 points if holding the Degree of Achievement
- 4 points if holding the Degree of Merit
- 5 points if holding the Degree of Excellence or higher

B. Judging. Intercollegiate speech and debate flourish only if robust participation in speech and debate activities at the junior high and high school level continues. Accordingly, credit points may be awarded for judging at junior high or high school tournaments. Credit points shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

If holding the Degree of Proficiency or higher, a student may earn 2 points for each round they judge of high school competition. Credit points may be awarded for both preliminary and elimination round competition. No credit points shall be awarded for judging practice rounds. Limit of 6 rounds per day.

- C. Assistant Coaching and Junior High and High School Program Advocacy.** In many areas of the country, junior high and high school programs are in need of assistant coaches, fundraising assistants and program advocates. Accordingly, credit points may be awarded for a wide variety of service activities that help strengthen forensics at the junior high or high school level. Credit points shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

If holding the Degree of Proficiency or higher, a member may earn 10 points for presenting a public speech body charged with the authority to create such a program. (To receive these credit points, members must submit a videotaped or audio-taped copy of the speech to the President of Pi Kappa Delta).

If holding the Degree of Proficiency or higher, a member may earn 30 points for undertaking leadership of a campaign that results in the creation of a new junior high or high school NFL chapter, or that results in the reactivation of a previously-awarded inactive NFL chapter. (To receive these credit points, members must submit a letter to the National Office verifying their leadership role on official letterhead of the school involved, and signed by the Director of Forensics, head coach, Principle or other responsible party).

If holding the Degree of Proficiency or higher, a member may earn 25 points (per year of service) as an Assistant Coach for a junior high or high school NFL program. (To receive these credit points, members must submit a letter to the National Office verifying completion of their year of service on the official letterhead of the school involved, and signed by the Director of Forensics, head coach, principle or other responsible party.)

If holding the Degree of Proficiency or higher, a member may earn 10 points for leadership activities that result in the creation of an NFL Chapter Booster Club or Alumni group. 10 points may also be awarded for leadership activities that result in the execution of a successful fundraising campaign or event. (To receive these credit points, members must submit a letter to the National Office summarizing leadership activities and verifying completion of the task involved).

- D. Community Service Projects.** Pi Kappa Delta encourages each of its members to participate in service activities in their local communities. Accordingly, credit points may be awarded for a wide variety of community service activities. Credit points shall be awarded according to the following schedule:

If holding the Degree of Proficiency or higher, a member may be awarded 2 points for every hour of community service performed. A member may also receive up to 10 additional points if they provide documentation to their coach that they have developed and performed leadership duties on a community service project. (This is in addition to the 2 points per hour). To receive credit points for community service activities, members must submit a letter to the Local Chapter Sponsor documenting the nature of the project, the times and dates of the service activities, and any outcomes achieved. Local chapter Sponsors should retain these records for at least one academic year.

VI. Recording Credit Points:

A. Maintaining Chapter Records.

1. To be eligible for credit points, an individual must be an active Pi Kappa Delta member (affiliated with either the National General Chapter or a local chapter), must be in good standing, and must have paid their dues and fees prior to the competition in which the credit points were earned. Members of the Orders of Instruction, Alumni, and Attainment, or Affiliate or Honorary members must also be Pi Kappa Delta members in good standing, and must have paid their dues and fees (including any required Chapter or Provincial dues and fees) prior to the time in which the credit points were earned. Credit points will NOT be awarded retroactively to any individual who has failed to meet these criteria. See the bylaws for further information. When an active member in good standing participates in any activity sanctioned by Pi Kappa Delta (as described above), credit points may be recorded in the online database.
2. For the purposes of awarding credit points, an intercollegiate competition is defined as any competitive tournament involving teams representing eight or more accredited colleges or universities. If fewer than eight schools are represented, credit points awarded to participants shall be reduced by one point per section. (For example, a first place rank would be eligible for five credit points, rather than six credit points.) If fewer than four schools are represented, no credit points shall be awarded.
3. Credit Points may be earned at any time during the member's participation as a member in good standing, but must be recorded within twelve months of the time in which they were earned.
4. Members of the Order of Instruction, and the Order of Alumni are eligible to receive ten-percent of the degree points earned by their competitors. It is the duty of the Director of Forensics, Head Coach, Instructor or Local Chapter Sponsor to determine how a given competitor's degree points shall be divided among coaching staffs and to ensure that the degree points are recorded accurately, provided that the total number of degree points awarded does not exceed ten percent of the cumulative total degree points earned by the chapter at a given competition. These points should be recorded on "tournament by tournament" basis, and need not be recorded in association with the degree points earned by any particular competitor. See the bylaws for further information.
5. The coach, Director of Forensics, or Chapter Sponsor must take care to enter members legal names (not nicknames), into the database, capitalizing appropriate letters. This is important for consistent identification of members. "Bud," "Andy," "Jack," or "Jon" should not be a substitution for "Jonathan." "James Andrew Smith" is different than just "Andrew Smith." Each member's permanent e-mail, home and school address should also be entered into the database.
6. Please record credit points in chronological order, entered promptly after each event in which points were gained. Indicate the correct start and end date.

7. Under "Where Held," list the location of each intercollegiate competition, scholarly presentation or service activity. In the event that the item is a publication, television or radio broadcast, please list the name of the item under "Where Held." (For example, "The Wall Street Journal, June 15, 2010."). For intercollegiate tournaments, list the name of the city as well as the college or university: i.e., Lawrence, KS: The University of Kansas Heart of America Tournament. Avoid acronyms like UCLA or CSU.
8. An interested student, work study assistant, departmental secretary or other individual who is not deeply involved in debate or contest activity may be appointed Recording Secretary and given the responsibilities of entering credit points, storing verification records, and updating and maintaining the database. The Chapter Sponsor retains the ultimate responsibility to check records for accuracy and to verify credit point totals. Paper copies of relevant records should be retained for one academic year.
9. The National Council may periodically audit individual point records or entire squad records to verify the accuracy of the data entered. If discrepancies occur during the course of an audit, the National Council shall have the right to determine an appropriate punishment. The Director, head Coach or Chapter Sponsor will be granted thirty days during which they shall have the opportunity to defend the accuracy of previously recorded data, and, in the event that a sanction is levied, an additional thirty days to petition the National Council to consider an alteration or reduction in the sanction. Sanctions may include the imposition of credit point penalties to an individual, or across an entire chapter; the removal of credit points (including credit points that were appropriately earned and properly recorded); and member or chapter suspension or expulsion.
10. The National Council may grant additional credit points for excellence in Pi Kappa Delta service, governance or competitive activities, or for other activities not named in the Constitution or Bylaws (such as, for example, Chapter Oral History Presentations, service on the National Council, or service as a National Tournament Host or Director). Such periodic supplementary credit point awards are intended to incentivize participation in activities deemed strategic priorities of the organization or to recognize extraordinary individual contributions to Pi Kappa Delta's mission or governance. Unless otherwise noted by the National Council, supplementary Credit Point award categories shall expire no later than June 30th in the year following their communication to the membership.
11. Credit points earned at any Pi Kappa Delta National Comprehensive Tournament, any Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament and Convention, or an annual officially sanctioned PKD Provincial Tournament shall be doubled.

B. Membership and Database Enrollment:

1. Individuals must become Pi Kappa Delta members in good standing prior to enrolling in the database. Membership may be accomplished online by visiting www.pikappadelta.com and selecting "Join PKD."
2. Once they have joined Pi Kappa Delta, members may enter their data in the online database. (See A-6 above for guidelines concerning abbreviation and nicknames.)
3. Degrees:
 - a) Recording at least 100 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system

- establishes the member in the Degree of Proficiency.
 - b) Recording at least 300 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Achievement.
 - c) Recording at least 600 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Merit.
 - d) Recording at least 900 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Excellence.
 - e) Recording at least 1200 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Distinction.
 - f) Recording at least 1500 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Honor.
 - g) Recording at least 2000 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment -- Bronze Key.
 - h) Recording at least 2500 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment – with Silver Key status.
 - i) Recording at least 3000 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment – with Gold Key status.
 - j) Recording at least 5000 points in an undergraduate or coach record in the online system establishes the member in the Degree of Key Level of Accomplishment – with Platinum Key status.
4. In the school profile screen, click the red stop sign to the right of the college or university name. At the top of the billing screen click [Membership Application] and complete the date range with starting and ending date (MM/DD/YYYY) and click [Search]. Verify all names and graduation dates. Print the form and retain it in your chapter record book. E-Mail the form to pikappadeltanationaloffice@gmail.com and enter full payment for unpaid membership fees and chapter dues online at www.pikappadelta.com. Please do not mail the application.
- a) Once a member of the Orders of Instruction, Attainment, Alumni or Affiliation has accrued 100 points as one-tenth of 1000 student points recorded, they should be listed on this form as “Coach” or “judge” written in the “class” column.
 - b) Any excess remittance is acknowledged by credit voucher and must be used within two years to retain the value it represents. This may be applied to future enrollment fees, school dues, late fees, or National Tournament fees.
 - c) Schools may deposit funds ahead of time with the national office to be automatically drawn each time fees are assessed. Receipts for remittance are always available; simply request them when necessary.
 - d) Membership Certificates will be sent directly to the Chapter Sponsor. The Chapter Sponsor should inspect certificates for accuracy and report any issues or missing certificates to the national office within 30 days. Beyond 30 days, a replacement fee of \$5 per certificate is charged.
 - e) Transfer of Membership: A member may transfer from one chapter to another without charge or loss of credit points. If a new certificate is desired, \$5 must be remitted. Transfer may be done automatically on the credit point system, or by e-mailing/calling customer service staff.
5. Inactive Membership: A membership is marked “inactive” on the national records by September 1 if fewer than ten (10) points were added during the previous school year. The individual resumes active status as soon as ten points are added to his/her record. An inactive member does not count in determining chapter strength, and therefore, national, state or Provincial district standing.

C. Recording Intercollegiate Debates:

1. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points
2. Unless otherwise stipulated by the National Council, any format of intercollegiate debate offered in tournament competition is eligible for points. For the purposes of this document, however, British Parliamentary Debate is considered an Individual Event.
3. If a debate round is cancelled or not held due to forfeiture or drawing of a bye, no credit points shall be recorded unless both teams involved are from the same school.
4. Wins or losses may not be recorded for debates against non-school entities, such as a civic organization. Public debates held before an audience of such an entity may be recorded under "Service."

D. Recording Intercollegiate Individual Events Competitions:

1. Unless otherwise stipulated by the National Council, credit points may be awarded for participation in any NFA or NIET recognized category of individual events competition.
2. With the exception of the Pi Kappa Delta National Comprehensive Tournament and the Pi Kappa Delta National Tournament and Convention, credit points shall not be awarded for experimental events.
3. Both preliminary and elimination round competitions shall be eligible for credit points.
4. Individual events are recorded by their individual category name. Member ranks, or rank-equivalents (conversion for point totals or alternate systems) are used to determine the appropriate number of credit points earned.
5. Only one rank or placement per round may be entered when a panel of judges is used. To determine the appropriate number of credit points earned when a panel of judges has been used, the average of a panel's ranks should be calculated (and rounded to the nearest whole number).

E. Recording Scholarly Research and Creativity Activities and Community Service

Projects: Scholarly research activities, creative activities, and community service projects are somewhat difficult to categorize, document and record. As a result, Chapter Sponsors are required to maintain more extensive documentary records for these activities than for other items receiving credit points.

1. Judging and Assistant Coaching: Judging and Assistant Coaching credit points should be recorded as community service and should be entered in a similar fashion as tournament competition. (For example, listing the tournament, the events and the dates judged.)
2. Publications, Prizes, Scholarships, Awards and Presentations: These items should be recorded by name, date published, presented or received, category type and total credit points received.
3. Community Service Projects: These items should be recorded by project name, date(s), number of hours served, leadership role and outcome(s) achieved.

F. Recording Community Service Speeches:

1. The designation of audience and type of speaking must be in accordance with the following instructions. It is to be named specifically as: St. Peter Minnesota School Board, Seattle American Legion Post 2015, WHBC Radio "Town Hall."

2. No credit points are earned for speaking to a student classroom audience in which the member is also a student in the class. Such vague entries as "school auditorium," "church," or "school" invalidate the entry. These Audiences Qualify:
 - a) Adult, College, High School or Junior High School Assemblies;
 - b) Public Civic Gatherings such as School Board or City Council Meetings;
 - c) Radio or Television Station Audiences (identified by station call letters and program name);
 - d) Rotary, Kiwanis, and other service, community, civic, veterans or political clubs/organizations;
 - e) Places of worship/church congregation (please identify).
3. Type of Speaking: The exact kind or type of speaking is to be stated. The term "Service" is too vague. One of the following designations is to be used: Analysis of Address, Master of Ceremonies, After Dinner Speech, Oratorical Interpretation, Book Review, Oration, Commentating, Persuasive Speech, Public Debate, Declamation, Panel Discussion, Interpretive Reading, Sales Talk, Sermon, Sports-casting, Storytelling, Impromptu, Extemporaneous Speech, TV & Radio Announcing.
4. Length of Speaking: Enter student speaking minutes. For a discussion, the time for each participant may be estimated. A minimum of 4 minutes is required for each service speech.
5. A student may not receive points for more than four service speaking projects a day. Summer Service speaking may be recorded.
6. If an intercollegiate debate or contest is held under conditions qualifying it as a service project (over radio/TV/cable or before an adult audience), it is to be listed in a service category.
7. A student may not receive points for more than four service speaking projects a day. Summer Service speaking may be recorded.

G. Awards and Recognition:

1. Leading Chapter Award: Each year, the Pi Kappa Delta presents a special Leading Chapter award to the school whose accumulated total of members and degrees is highest in each Province.
2. Honorary Membership: A chapter may elect one Honorary member for each 100 members and degrees earned by that chapter; not more than one a year. Honorary members must be adults who have contributed in some significant way to the Art of Persuasion, Beautiful and Just, but have not earned PKD membership as a student or instructor. There is no fee for Honorary Membership. An appropriate membership certificate is issued.
3. Student Honor Cords: Graduating seniors may order and wear official PKD Red and White Honor Cords at Graduation ceremonies. The cords may be ordered online or from the national office.
4. Logo-wear and Insignia: The emblem of Pi Kappa Delta is shaped like a key, symbolizing the unlocking of the powers of expression. Generations of students have proudly worn PKD insignia as a tangible sign of their success in mastering The Art of Persuasion, Beautiful and Just. Logo-wear items, keys, pins, and especially, advanced degree jewels make excellent awards to worthy members. Any member may obtain a key or pin (plain or jeweled) to reflect standing in PKD.
5. Ordering Keys and Pins: PKD keys and insignia items are available in the Pi Kappa Delta online store at: www.pikappadelta.com. Chapter Sponsors may order silver keys and pins for students. Please order insignia online or on the official order form, and with immediate payment. Forms are sent with chapter supplies in the fall or you may obtain them by writing the national office. If an emblem is lost, a new order completed in the regular manner may be submitted. There is no rule barring possession of more than one emblem by any member.