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Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Great Lakes Region 2025 Extraordinary Undergraduate Awards Packet

Submission Deadline: March 31st, 2025

"Embrace the Extraordinary"

Greetings Sorors,

My name is Soror Sydni Thomas, and I am the Undergraduate Member-at-Large for the GREATER Great Lakes Region and one of your recently elected International Undergraduate Directors! I am a fifth year Interdisciplinary Engineering student at Purdue University. For the 90th Great Lakes Regional Leadership Conference, it is my honor to serve in this position, representing the voice of all the GREATER Great Lakes Undergraduates!



It has been both an honor and a privilege to represent the voice of our undergraduate members throughout this region. This role has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life, allowing me to grow both personally and professionally. The Great Lakes Region, with its rich legacy of leadership and service, has instilled in me values of resilience, excellence, and sisterhood that I will carry with me forever. I am deeply indebted to this region for shaping me into the leader I am today, and I will continue to proudly serve in any capacity the region entrusts to me in the future.

As your Regional Undergraduate Member-at-Large, I am here to be your advocate and to ensure your voices are heard. I am committed to supporting your growth and success in Zeta, and I will always strive to be a source of encouragement, guidance, and sisterhood for all undergraduates.

I encourage each of you and your chapters to take advantage of the opportunities to gain recognition for your outstanding dedication and achievements. There are various awards open to individuals and chapters, and I urge you to carefully review the awards packet and nominate your chapter or members for the accolades they deserve. If you need assistance at any point, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Please remember that all award nominations must be submitted through the designated Google Form link. If you have any questions or concerns, I am here to help. I eagerly look forward to our upcoming meeting in MY home state of Indiana and to celebrating the extraordinary accomplishments of our region's undergraduates.

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EXTRAORDINARY SCHOLARS RECOGNITION (5)

(INDIVIDUAL)

Awarded to five Undergraduate members who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement, this recognition aligns with the Sorority's principle of Scholarship.

Eligible candidates must have a minimum GPA of 3.0. Applicants must submit academic transcripts and a brief submission highlighting how their academic achievements embody the Sorority's commitment to scholarship.

Each application must be submitted through the specified Google Form, ensuring that the submissions reflect the cherished principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated.

SERVICE AWARD

(INDIVIDUAL)

Celebrating the principle of Service, this award recognizes a Sorority member's outstanding commitment to community service. Applicants must have completed a minimum of 50 hours of community service, embodying the Sorority's dedication to helping others. Required documentation includes pictures of service completed.

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Service Tracker/Log Link:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1BDi_ELjcWxXXjR_Hb6N7a0S9iKhi3aQ03zBbkBbpVRg/edit?usp=sharing

(Please make a copy of the tracker and upload your completed copy of the service tracker provided for the awards)

SERVICE PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

(CHAPTER)

This award is presented to the most impactful service project undertaken by a chapter, reflecting the Sorority's principle of Service. Required submissions include a detailed project report in the form of a PDF showcasing the project's alignment with the Sorority's service objectives.

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SISTERHOOD AWARD

(INDIVIDUAL)

Embodying the principle of Sisterhood, this award celebrates a member who has shown remarkable acts of sisterly love and support within Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated. Nominations require a written testament of the nominee's sisterly acts.

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FINER WOMANHOOD AWARD

(INDIVIDUAL)

This award recognizes a member who exemplifies the Sorority's ideal of Finer Womanhood through exemplary character, service, and leadership.

Each application must be submitted through the specified Google Form, ensuring that the submissions reflect the cherished principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated.

NEW MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

(INDIVIDUAL)

This award acknowledges a new member who has significantly contributed to the Sorority's principles of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood.

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EXTRAORDINARY CHAPTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

ROYAL BLUE

(CHAPTER WITH TEN MEMBERS OR LESS)

Recognizing a chapter that excels in embodying the Sorority's principles, this award requires a submission detailing the chapter's activities and impact in Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood.

Submissions should be made through the Google Form and are categorized by chapter size:

· Royal Blue: For chapters with 10 members or less.

Each application must be submitted through the specified Google Form, ensuring that the submissions reflect the cherished principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated.

EXTRAORDINARY CHAPTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

(CHAPTER WITH 11 OR MORE MEMBERS)

Recognizing a chapter that excels in embodying the Sorority's principles, this award requires a portfolio submission detailing the chapter's activities and impact in Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood.

Submissions should be made through the Google Form and are categorized by chapter size:

White: For chapters with 11 members or more.

Each application must be submitted through the specified Google Form, ensuring that the submissions reflect the cherished principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated.

EXTRAORDINARY PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

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This award honors the most outstanding program or event that exemplifies the Sorority's principles of Service and Sisterhood. Required materials include a flyer, event description, community impact evidence, and connection to the Sorority's national initiatives and or programs.

Each application must be submitted through the specified Google Form, ensuring that the submissions reflect the cherished principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated.

EXTRAORDINARY POWER OF S.H.E. AWARD

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This award honors the most outstanding program or event that exemplifies the International Grand Basileus and CEO, Stacey N.C. Grant's Programmatic Thrust, the Extraordinary Power of S.H.E. - an opportunity for Zetas worldwide to be intentional about Social, Health and Economic justice for women at home and abroad. Required materials include a flyer, event description, community impact evidence, and connection to the Sorority's national initiatives.

There will be a total opportunity of four awards to granted:

- Social Justice Award An event or program highlighting and benefiting women at home and abroad's social justice.
- Health Justice Award An event or program highlighting and benefiting women at home and abroad's health justice.
- Economic Justice Award An event or program highlighting and benefiting women at home and abroad's economic justice.
- The Ultimate Power of S.H.E. An event or program that has highlighted ALL three focal points of the Grand's Programmatic Thrust.

ELEVATING THE BOND AWARD

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This award recognizes an event or program that elevates the bond of Zetas and Sigmas on Collegiate Campuses. Named after two of our Past Grands and two Presidents of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. that served together and strengthen the visible bond of Blue & White during their tenure. Nominations should provide a written testament of how the nominee has elevated the bond during the Sorority Year through events, programs, and collaboration. Photos must also be uploaded as part of the submission.

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DIGITAL IMPACT AWARD

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The Digital Impact Award recognizes the chapter that demonstrates an exceptional and dynamic social media presence. This award celebrates the creative and impactful ways a chapter uses social media platforms to highlight the core principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated: Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood.

This award is presented to the chapter that effectively engages its audience, showcases meaningful content, and amplifies the mission and values of our beloved sisterhood through innovative and consistent digital outreach. A strong social media presence should reflect a balance of academic excellence, community service initiatives, fostering sisterly bonds, and promoting the ideals of finer womanhood.

Evaluation criteria include:

- · Content Quality: Relevance, creativity, and alignment with Zeta's principles.
- Engagement: Interaction with followers through likes, comments, shares, and other meaningful digital connections.
- Diversity of Content: A variety of posts, including but not limited to academic achievements, service projects, sisterhood events, and finer womanhood activities.
- Consistency: Regular updates and maintaining an active presence across social media platforms.

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