

The Anchor Award of Delta Gamma - Submission Instructions

AWARD DESCRIPTION:

The Anchor Award is presented by the Fraternity to confer special honor upon alumnae members who demonstrate a lifetime of devotion to the Fraternity. The extent and influence of their noteworthy achievement(s) spread across the entire Fraternity and help advance the Delta Gamma philosophy. The alumna for whom this award is reserved is a mainstay of the Fraternity and provides reliable support from which all members benefit.

To be considered for an Anchor Award, a nominee's Fraternity service and/or achievement(s) must extend beyond the local level and must demonstrate a unique and lasting impact on every member of the Fraternity. **An Anchor Award nominee MUST be a Cable Award recipient.**

The Fraternity Awards Committee relies on the nomination application and all aspects of the submission for evaluation purposes. A comprehensive presentation of a nomination is essential. Final selections are made by Fraternity Council.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- A nominee must have been recognized with the Cable Award
- A nominee must have made a clearly unique and lasting contribution benefiting the entire Fraternity. Service at the Cabinet/Council level does not necessarily qualify a nominee for the Anchor Award.
- A nominee must show continued Fraternity service for at least five collective years following her recognition with the Fraternity's Cable Award
- A nominee's Fraternity service must extend beyond her own chapter of Initiation and alumnae group
- A nominee's Fraternity service:
 - o does not include years of Fraternity employment (e.g., Collegiate Development Consultant, Executive Offices staff)
 - o does not include collegiate honors or offices
 - does not include professional or community activities unrelated to Delta Gamma
- Members of Council, the Foundation Board of Trustees, the Nominating Committee and the Fraternity Director: Awards are ineligible for nomination while in office

PREPARING THE APPLICATION:

• Allow adequate time for contacting alumnae to write and submit letters of support and assemble the application. *Many groups start this process in the summer.*

- o It is helpful to provide letter writers with the Anchor Award description, and inform them of the award confidentiality
- Consider requesting photographs of the nominee at the same time as support letters
- View the <u>Comprehensive Individual Alumnae Award Winners</u> and <u>2020 & 2021 Individual Alumnae Award Recipients</u> documents in the Delta Gamma Library to determine which, if any, Delta Gamma awards the individual has received.
- If you are an alumnae group officer, you can access the dates and office of the nominee's
 Fraternity service in Anchorbase. Go to the menu and select Awards > Reports >
 Volunteer History of Alumnae Group Members. If you cannot access this report in
 Anchorbase, you can find a member's award and service history via the member search
 at members.deltagamma.org. Once logged in, hover over the Directory tab and select
 Member Search. Search for the member you are looking for, and select See Profile in the
 results.

ASSEMBLING THE APPLICATION:

- It may be helpful to compose the full submission information in a Word document that may be revisited and saved
- The online application may be accessed/completed via desktop, laptop and/or iPad devices
- It is recommended that nominators do not wait until the intended date of submission to access the online application for the first time
- Online applications do not have to be completed in one sitting. You may save and revisit your application until submission is complete.

SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION:

- Applications may be submitted by any Delta Gamma member
- Applications must be submitted online through the <u>Google Form application</u>
- The application deadline is 11:59 p.m. on November 15, 2021 (in the submitter's time zone). This is a firm deadline.

REQUIRED MATERIALS AND INFORMATION:

- Nominee name (maiden and married, if applicable)
- Nominee's current alumnae chapter membership, if applicable
- Nominee's mailing address (street, city, state/ province, zip/postal code)
- Nominee's chapter and university of Initiation
- Nominee's Initiation year
- Any Delta Gamma individual alumnae awards (Cable, Anchor, Oxford, Shield and/or Rose) received and year(s) presented
- Status of 2021-2022 per capita dues payment and/or status as a 50-year member
- Date award will be presented
- Chronological information including specific dates (mm/yy-mm/yy) of all Fraternity activities, including continued Fraternity service for at least five years following her recognition with the Fraternity's Cable Award
- Chronological information including specific dates (mm/yy-mm/yy) of all Fraternity activities, Fraternity and/or Panhellenic awards and honors, and/or other noteworthy accomplishments. Must reflect a minimum of 5 years of collective service post-Cable.
- Summary of why the nominee is qualified for the Anchor Award (250-500 words suggested)

- A high-level overview of how the nominee's Fraternity service and/or achievement(s) extend beyond the local level and demonstrate a unique and lasting impact on every member of the Fraternity
- Why activities constitute unusual or extraordinary alumnae participation and devotion to Delta Gamma
- At least <u>five</u> letters of impact from Delta Gamma sisters (no minimum # of letters from Delta Gammas), relevant friends, business and professional associates or fellow volunteers.
 - o Letters of impact help the members of the Awards Committee get to know the nominee on a more personal level.
 - o Nominators are encouraged to describe the specific ways this member's work has demonstrates a unique and lasting impact on every member of the Fraternity
 - o Most letters have three parts: an opening statement that identifies the relationship of the letter writer to the nominee, 1-2 middle paragraphs that demonstrate the impact of the member's service, and a closing statement.
- Any additional information, including additional recommendation letters, media coverage, and other supporting documentation may be submitted

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