



# Golden Key International Honour Society

UW-La Crosse Chapter  
Prospective Member Night  
(April 18, 2011)

# What is Golden Key?

- The largest collegiate honor society in the world
- Nonprofit organization
- Over 1.9 million members worldwide
- Chapters at over 370 colleges and universities in 6 different countries



# What is Golden Key?

- **Vision:** Golden Key is the world's premier honor society. We recognize academic excellence and provide tangible value to our student members, advisors, recent alumni and partners while positively impacting their lives and society.
- **Mission:** To enable members to realize their potential.
- **Values:** Integrity, Collaboration, Innovation, Respect, Diversity, Excellence, Engagement.
- Scholastic achievement and excellence
- Altruistic service



# Why were you invited?

- Invitation only
- Top 15% of college/university students who will have completed over 45 credits after this semester
- Based on academic achievements (GPA)



# What we can offer you...

Valuable opportunities for individual growth through:

- 🏛️ Leadership
- 🏛️ Scholarship
- 🏛️ Community Service
- 🏛️ Career/Professional Networking
- 🏛️ Peer to peer networking
- 🏛️ Academic recognition
- 🏛️ Unique Member Benefits



# Leadership Opportunities

- Variety of officer positions
- Plan specific events
- Get involved in service activities and events
- Golden Key International leadership opportunities



# Scholarships

- Two local chapter scholarships each spring
- Variety of International/Regional Scholarship at [www.goldenkey.org](http://www.goldenkey.org)



# Member Benefits: Career Development

- Alumni Networking
  - Local Honorary Members
  - 1.9 million members at over 370 colleges and universities in six countries
  - Network on Facebook – [www.goldenkeyfacebook.com](http://www.goldenkeyfacebook.com)
- Career Services Networking
- Internships/Job Opportunities



# Other Member Benefits:

- Unique Discounts
  - \$200 off Princeton Review Test Prep Courses
    - *-Save on the GRE, MCAT, etc.*
  - Up to 70% savings on Hotels.com
  - Golden Key Rewards – up to 75% off on over 12,000 offers year round, and more!



# Membership Fee

- ONE-TIME membership fee of \$80.
- The membership fee is shared between the local chapter and the international headquarters. The membership fee funds membership benefits and supports local chapters in a variety of ways including
  - Local chapter scholarships
  - Induction ceremony and reception
  - Society scholarships for members
  - Publications
  - Local academic, service and social activities
  - Local and regional leadership training conferences (usually in spring)
  - International Leadership Conference (every August)
  - Headquarters support to chapters (staff support, mailings, technology, benefits development, public relations)



# Local Chapter: UW-La Crosse

- Well-respected organization on campus
- Active in community
- Scholarships awarded to 2 new members in Spring
- Great officer leadership!
- Fun & talented members



# UW-La Crosse Service Activities

- Books for Africa/Better World Books
- Make a Difference Day
- Pop Tops for Ronald McDonald Charities
- Salvation Army volunteering
- Battle of the Books
- Adopt a Highway
- Rotary Lights Display
- Playing games with the elderly



# UW-La Crosse Honors

- Honorary Members
  - Campus and community dignitaries
  - Annual breakfast
  - Collaborate on projects
- Recognition Ceremony
  - Spring reception for students “on-track” for membership
  - Recognize scholarship recipients



# Networking with other chapters

- Local Chapter Networking
  - Winona State University
  - UW-Madison
  - UW-Whitewater
  - UW-Milwaukee
  - UW-Eau Claire
- Sister Chapters
  - Northern Michigan
  - Canterbury, New Zealand
  - Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, South Africa



# Overview: Why join?

- Academic Recognition
- Leadership Opportunities
- Scholarships
- Community Service Opportunities
- Resume Building
- Career Assistance
- Networking



# How to Join?

- Go to [www.joingoldenkey.org](http://www.joingoldenkey.org)
- Review membership benefits
- Click JOIN NOW banner
- Enter your personalized invitation code
  - Complete your profile (address, phone, e-mail, etc)
  - Input your payment information
  - Click to confirm your payment
  - Check your email for your confirmation invoice and Golden Key ID number
  - Use your member ID to log into the Golden Key website ([www.goldenkey.org](http://www.goldenkey.org)) to take advantage of exclusive member benefits.
- Email: [memberservices@goldenkey.org](mailto:memberservices@goldenkey.org) with any questions you have



# When you join...

- Congratulations and Welcome!
- Induction Ceremony: Sunday, Oct. 23rd 2:00 pm Valhalla, Cartwright for the New Member Recognition Ceremony
  - Distribution of membership certificates
  - Family members welcome
  - If you can't attend, pick up certificate in 124 Mitchell Hall (Carla Burkhardt's office) following week.



# Want to become an active member?

- Watch for emails about meetings and activities
- Watch UW-L website:  
[www.uwlax.edu/goldenkey](http://www.uwlax.edu/goldenkey)
- Watch for opportunity to apply for officer positions for next year (early Spring semester will be elections)
- Earn points toward a discount on the graduation medallion



# Questions?



Thank you for coming!

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