



Upsilon Pi Epsilon

International Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines

Membership Application

What is Upsilon Pi Epsilon?

Computing Sciences is a relatively young discipline. Yet despite its comparative youth, Computing Science has had an unparalleled effect on almost every aspect of contemporary life. Indeed it is difficult to predict the ultimate place of the computer in our world. It is the express purpose of Upsilon Pi Epsilon to promote the Computing Sciences and to encourage its contribution to the enhancement of knowledge.

Upsilon Pi Epsilon (UPE) was first organized at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, in 1967. The international organization now consists of chapters in various colleges and universities in North America and overseas.

Mission Statement

The mission of Upsilon Pi Epsilon is to recognize academic excellence at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in the Computing and Information Disciplines. The Association will accomplish this mission through programs that:

- Enable outstanding students to obtain recognition of superior educational achievement that emphasizes the Computing and Information Disciplines as well as liberal arts, sciences, and other professional and interdisciplinary education in the context of individual and societal responsibilities,
- Assist in maximizing the personal and professional growth of students in UPE by financially supporting scholarships and other creative endeavors that include the discovery, integration, and application of knowledge,
- Establish significant partnerships with external constituencies interested in promoting and subsidizing high quality computing science education,
- Seek opportunities to extend individual memberships and chapter activities into additional environments yet to become identified.

Guidelines and Goals

Upsilon Pi Epsilon is an honorary society whose membership consists of outstanding undergraduate and graduate students in Computing and Information Disciplines. Only schools that offer a degree in a computing science-related discipline may be chartered. Likewise, prospective student members must be working toward a degree in Computing and Information Disciplines at the time they are considered for membership. Yet members are chosen not only for their scholastic achievement in a computing science program, but also for distinguishing themselves as true professionals by meeting the standards of the society.

Membership is limited to those who can effectively achieve the original goals of the society. These goals include the:

- Recognition of outstanding talent in the field of computing science,
- Promotion of high scholarship in computing science,

- Establishment and maintenance of high standards in computing science,
- Representation of computing science in interdisciplinary communications,
- Encouragement of individual contributions to society through computing science.

Endorsements and Affiliation

Upsilon Pi Epsilon is the first and only, existing international honor society in the Computing and Information Disciplines. It has received endorsements from the two largest computer organizations in the world, the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and the IEEE Computer Society (IEEE-CS). UPE is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS).

Eligibility:

Accepted Majors:

- Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Technology, Management Information Systems.

Undergraduate Students:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Completed at least 45 (Forty-Five) semester hours of college work, including fifteen (15) semester hours in the basic courses in the Computing and Information Disciplines

Graduate Students:

- Minimum 3.5 GPA
- Have completed at least one-half of the number of semester-hours of graduate work normally required for the master's degree

**Upsilon Pi Epsilon
Florida International University Chapter
Membership Application**

Name: _____
Last Name (Print)
First Name
Middle Initial

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____ **E-Mail Address (FIU):** _____

Panther ID: _____ **Expected Graduation Date:** ____/____

Class Standing (Circle One) Junior Senior Graduate **GPA:** _____

Academic Major: _____

In 100 Words or more, explain why you would like to become a part of UPE:

Please attach a copy of your unofficial transcript to this form.

Membership Fees

- **\$60.00 USD** One Time, Lifetime, Non-Refundable Payment
- Payment details will be provided upon receipt of a completed application form.
- Your membership fee includes the induction ceremony and national fees.

Membership Denial Policy

- Any or all of the requirements are not met.
- Your membership application is incomplete or contains false material required to be disclosed.
- Membership Dues have not been paid

Statement of Compliance

To comply with the civil rights act of 1964 as amended, Upsilon Pi Epsilon is committed to the elimination of discrimination based on gender, race, class, economic status, ethnic background, sexual orientation, age, physical ability, and cultural and religious backgrounds. You must also agree not to conflict with purposes, regulations, and policies of Florida International University, or with Local, State, and Federal laws.

<https://dei.fiu.edu/crca/overview/>

Hazing Policy

State Statute 240.262 states: “This organization prohibits its members, both individually and collectively, committing any acts of “hazing” as defined therein:

“Hazing” means any or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliated with this organization. Such terms shall include, but not be limited to, any brutality of a physical nature, such as whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the elements,

forced consumption of any food, liquor, drug or other substance, or any other forced physical activity which could adversely affect the physical health or safety of the individual and shall include any activity which would subject the individual to extreme stress, such as sleep deprivation, forced exclusion from social contact, forced conduct which would result in extreme embarrassment, or any other forced activity which could adversely affect the mental health or dignity of the individual. For purpose of this section, any activity as described above upon which the initiation or admission into or affiliation with this organization is directly or indirectly conditioned shall be presumed to be a “forced” activity, the willingness of any individual to participate in such activity notwithstanding.

<https://dasa.fiu.edu/all-departments/student-conduct-and-academic-integrity/hazing-and-prevention/>

Buckley Waiver Consent

I hereby authorize and consent to the release of names, addresses, and phone numbers listed above for the use in the preparation of any University publications, and for the release to other students, faculty, and staff upon their request.

<https://onestop.fiu.edu/student-records-myfiu/personal-records/privacy-ferpa/>

Title IX

FIU is committed to providing a safe and positive living, learning, and working environment for all students, staff, faculty, and visitors

Title IX is a law that protects all individuals on-campus from discrimination on the basis of sex, including sexual assault and sexual harassment

FIU Title IX website: <https://dei.fiu.edu/crca/title-ix/>

By signing and dating this application, I agree that all of the information listed above is accurate and that I will agree to and follow all of the terms and conditions set forth in this application.

Signature

Date