



# The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

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## Chapter 072

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Dear Professor Achenbach:

This is to inform you that the selection committee for the Carbondale chapter of Phi Kappa Phi reviewed your nomination by Dean Ramanaryanan Viswanathan of the College of Engineering for the Phi Kappa Phi Outstanding Scholar Award. The committee, composed of past Outstanding Scholar winners, was very impressed by your record of scholarship and has selected you as our Outstanding Scholar for 2010. This Award includes a Certificate of Membership in Phi Kappa Phi, a check for \$300, and the official Phi Kappa Phi medallion, which may be worn with your academic regalia.

Phi Kappa Phi will hold its annual induction ceremony for students and faculty on Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 2:00 PM in the Lesar Law School Auditorium. We ask that the Outstanding Artist and Outstanding Scholar recipients each give a 10-15 minute presentation about their research/creative activity to this assembled group. This audience will consist primarily of students from all disciplines being inducted in Phi Kappa Phi along with their families so we ask that the talk be geared to a broad range of interests and experience. After each talk we present the recipient with the award certificate, medallion and check.

The only obligation that comes with this honor is that we ask our recipients to serve as members of future selection committees. This entails reviewing the dossiers of nominees and ranking them according to achievement. This is typically done via e-mail, but occasionally when a vote is tied we may meet as a group to discuss the merits of each candidate in order to make the decision.

I am sure that you are aware that the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, largest, and most selective all-discipline honor society. Phi Kappa Phi inducts approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff, and alumni each year. Once inducted, Phi Kappa Phi members gain a lifelong passport to a global network of academic and professional opportunities. If you have any questions about this award or Phi Kappa Phi, do not hesitate to contact me or consult our web site <http://www.siu.edu/~pkp/>. There you will see the current chapter officers, our past Artist and Scholar Award winners and links to our national headquarters.

Sincerely,

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