

## Information for Prospective Members

### Membership Questions

What types of Sigma membership are available to me?

- There are three classifications of membership. The classifications are:
  - Undergraduate Student - Junior or senior students enrolled in baccalaureate programs, or equivalent, at accredited institutions of higher education who have completed at least 1/2 of the nursing curriculum, rank in the upper 35 percent of their graduating class and have achieved academic excellence (at schools where a 4.0 grade point average system is used, this equates to at least a 3.0)
  - Graduate Student - Master's and doctoral students enrolled in graduate programs (or equivalent) at accredited institutions of higher education who have completed at least 1/4 of the nursing curriculum, have achieved academic excellence (at schools where a 4.0 grade point average system is used, this equates to at least a 3.5)
  - Nurse Leader – The candidates are legally recognized to practice in their countries, have at least a baccalaureate degree in nursing or other field, and demonstrate achievement in nursing.

What are the requirements for membership? If I meet them, when will I be invited to join?

- Kappa Theta Induction is held every fall semester at WKU.
- Candidates can learn about Sigma's eligibility criteria by visiting the membership webpage at [www.SigmaNursing.org/Membership](http://www.SigmaNursing.org/Membership) and clicking on "Join Sigma Today." Students can view the eligibility criteria by which chapters will evaluate candidates, and nurse leader candidates can examine the criteria and apply directly online.

What are the benefits of Sigma membership?

- Sigma provides many benefits and opportunities for members related to career development, professional networking, and continued education. Learn more about the benefits of membership by visiting <https://www.SigmaNursing.org/Benefits>

How much will my membership dues cost?

- The total cost of membership combines Sigma international dues with Chapter dues for a total of \$98.

What if I don't have enough money to join Sigma and pay membership dues?

- Kappa Theta offers an annual scholarship to assist with membership dues of a student in need. For more information, contact chapter leaders.
- In addition, Sigma offers the [Edith Anderson Membership Subsidy](#), used to underwrite up to 75 percent of the annual membership fees of those requiring financial assistance.

Will I be required to attend chapter events?

- Attendance is not required. However, members who attend chapter events and engage with the chapter often report more satisfaction with their membership experience.

If I move, change my name, or change employers, who do I notify?

- Sign in to your My Membership account at <https://membership.sigmanursing.org> to update your contact information.

If I relocate, can I join a chapter closer to where I now live?

- Sigma offers a lifetime of professional development through more than 500 chapters around the world. Members can easily transfer or join additional chapters at any point after induction. Many members who have relocated choose to hold dual membership in their inducting chapter, as well as a chapter close in proximity.
- Visit the Chapter Directory (<https://chapterdirectory.sigmanursing.org>) to find a chapter in your location. Members can transfer or add chapters when completing annual renewals or call Member Services at 888-634-7575 to process this request if it is not yet time to renew.

### **Kappa Theta Induction at WKU**

Our upcoming induction ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, October 23, 2022, in the MCHC Auditorium. More information coming soon!



**Kappa Theta Chapter**