



September 15, 2021

To: Potential Epsilon Sigma Phi Members

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gregg Hadley".

From: Dr. Gregg Hadley, Director for Extension

On behalf of the Membership Recruitment and Retention Committee, I would like to invite you to become a member of the Alpha Rho (Kansas) Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi, the Extension Professional's organization.

As a current member of the Alpha Rho Chapter, I believe that every extension professional should be a member of Epsilon Sigma Phi. If you believe yourself to be a professional, you are responsible to seek ways to continue your professional development and growth. As an extension professional, being a part of your professional society should be an automatic; being a part of Epsilon Sigma Phi should be your goal.

Epsilon Sigma Phi is the National Cooperative Extension Professional's Organization, dedicated to fostering standards of excellence in the Extension system, developing the extension profession and the professional. Membership is open to faculty who work in local, regional or campus offices. Two-hundred twenty-three annual and life members currently belong to the Kansas Alpha Rho Chapter. Alpha Rho chapter projects and activities include:

- Recognition for excellence in programming
- Professional development workshops
- Grants for innovative programming

Dues are \$60 for the initial year of membership. There are 2 steps to join by October 5:

- 1) Please go to the national ESP website at: <https://epsilonsigmaphi.wildapricot.org/New-Member-Application>.
- 2) Scan and return the 2021 Application Form (see next page) and return it to [bhinshaw@ksu.edu](mailto:bhinshaw@ksu.edu)

Membership applications will be accepted after October 5, but this aids our planning for annual conference.

New member initiation will be at lunch on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at Noon during the Annual Conference Epsilon Sigma Phi business meeting, in the Bluemont Room at the Union. Register for this event when you register for Annual Conference. Please note there is a charge for lunch.

More information about Epsilon Sigma Phi, Alpha Rho – Kansas Chapter is available at:

<http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/esp-AlphaRho>

For questions, please contact Deb Wood, treasurer at: [dwood@ksu.edu](mailto:dwood@ksu.edu) or Beth Hinshaw, membership chair at: [bhinshaw@ksu.edu](mailto:bhinshaw@ksu.edu).



## 2021 Application Form Alpha Rho Chapter Membership

***Please scan and email this form to Beth Hinshaw, ESP membership chair at [bhinshaw@ksu.edu](mailto:bhinshaw@ksu.edu) by October 5, 2021.***

Yes, I accept your invitation to become a member of the Alpha Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi, the national Extension Professional's organization.

### **Please check one:**

I will participate in the initiation ceremony at the ESP lunch on Tuesday, October 19, during Annual Conference. I will register for the event when I register for Annual Conference.

I want to be a member, but I am unable to participate in the initiation ceremony at Annual Conference.

### **Please check:**

I have paid national dues of \$60 on the national ESP website.

My name:

Office address:

Phone:

Email:

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