



## **Did you know?**

### **The benefits of ACHS membership ...**

- Founded in 1925, ACHS is the only certifying agency for college and university honor societies.
- ACHS sets the standards for organizational excellence and scholastic eligibility, as well as assuring member participation in governance so that the interests of individual members are advanced.
- Membership in an ACHS member society carries with it a tangible acknowledgment of merit for Federal employment. As long as the applicant meets the requirements as described in the job announcement, honor society membership may fulfill one of the requirements for entrance at the GS-7 level in numerous professional and technical occupations in the Federal Service.
- Student members of each ACHS member society may qualify for internship scholarships with the Washington Internship Institute, The Fund for American Studies, the Washington Center of Internships and Academic Seminars, and the PhD Project.
- Partnerships with other professional associations offer ACHS the chance to make a difference in the world of higher education. The Council for the Advancement of Standards in Higher Education has adopted standards for honor societies with major collaboration with ACHS Executive Director Dorothy Mitstifer. Relationships with the Center for Academic Integrity and the National Collegiate Honors Council strengthen the visibility and role of ACHS in the community.
- The ACHS Web site offers opportunity for all viewers to learn “How to Judge the Credibility of an Honor Society” as well as to learn about each of the 66 member societies, including official contact. The Chapter Search feature offers university listing of chapters and chapter lists of member societies. A Web site template is offered to member societies, and the Vendor Showcase features vendors who exhibit at the Annual Meeting.
- “A Matter of Ethics” joint national project is an ACHS effort to promote visibility in campus discussion of ethics in a diverse number of settings. The ACHS Web site features ideas for chapter use.
- ACHS provides an annual meeting for member societies to promote mutually beneficial communication, to share best practices of each organization, to find answers to society operational questions, to govern ACHS, and to challenge each other to be the standard bearer—Do Honor.
- ACHS is endeavoring to collect a body of knowledge that will be of value to the honors community and other audiences.