# Psi Chi Psychology Honor Society The American University of Cairo Chapter

Psi Chi is a prominent, accredited International Honor Society with more than 1,200 college and university chapters. The society includes undergraduate students, graduate students, and faculty. Its primary goal is to maintain excellence in and advance psychology. A Psi Chi chapter was established at AUC in 2011.

#### **Benefits of Psi Chi Membership**

Below are some of the benefits of being a Psi Chi member. Please note that having access to various grants and awards does not mean that you automatically receiving them by being a member. Instead, it means that you are eligible as a Psi Chi member to apply for them.

- Competitiveness for graduate school programs
- Access to research grants and awards
- Access to travel grants for psychology and psychology-related conferences
- Access to university scholarships that may be used to reduce university tuition
- Access to Psi Chi conferences
- Access to the Psi Chi research journal
- Access to listservs, job postings, and career consultants in psychology
- Meeting other psychology majors and minors at your university and abroad

## **Eligibility Requirements**

You can apply to be a member of Psi Chi if you are an undergraduate student or graduate student. However, you must also meet the eligibility requirements below.

Undergraduate Student	Graduate Student	
Declared psychology major OR minor	Enrolled in the Counseling Psychology MA or Community Psychology MA programs	
Completed at least 3 semesters	Completed at least 9 credit hours	
Completed at least 9 credit hours of	Has an overall GPA of 3.0	
psychology courses		
Has a GPA of 3.0 across psychology courses	Is meeting graduate program requirements on	
	time	
*Has an overall GPA that is in the top 35% of		
psychology majors		

<sup>\*</sup>The overall GPA requirement is based on the performance of current psychology majors. It will be determined at the beginning of each academic year and will not change until the following year. However, in all cases, this will not be below a 3.0.

## **Application Timeline**

Applications for Psi Chi are open twice an academic year, once in the fall and once in the spring. Please see the dates below for application submission and processing. All deadlines are 11:59pm Cairo Time (GMT +2). Deadlines will remain the same each year. There is only an exception for the Fall 2021 semester due to unexpected circumstances. Applicants wishing to apply in the Fall 2021 may apply now. They will not undergo the induction ceremony until the end of the academic year with the spring applicants. However, they will have access to all Psi Chi membership benefits in the meantime.

	Fall 2021 Deadlines	Future Fall Deadlines (starting 2022)	<b>Spring Deadlines</b>
Application Submission	December 1 <sup>st</sup>	October 1st	March 1st
*Application Decision	December 15 <sup>th</sup>	October 15 <sup>th</sup>	March 15 <sup>th</sup>
**Membership Fee Due	February 15 <sup>th</sup>	November 15 <sup>th</sup>	April 15 <sup>th</sup>
Induction Ceremony	Early May	Early December	Early May

<sup>\*</sup>Application decisions will be sent by the Psi Chi Faculty Advisor via email.

## **Application Submission Process**

To apply for Psi Chi, please follow the steps below.

- 1. Go the Psi Chi Application online. The URL is <a href="https://www.psichi.org/page/JoinToday#.YYfW-L1BzvU">https://www.psichi.org/page/JoinToday#.YYfW-L1BzvU</a>. If the URL does not work, you can also go to the Psi Chi website (https://www.psichi.org/), select the "Member" tab, and then click "Become a Member")
- 2. Submit the application. The application will ask you for some general information about yourself (such as name and address) and ask you to consent to the eligibility criteria.
- 3. Email the Psi Chi Faculty advisor (Dr. Lameese Eldesouky) at <a href="mailto:lameese.eldesouky@aucegypt.edu">lameese.eldesouky@aucegypt.edu</a> an *unofficial* copy of your transcript. Please note that in order for your Psi Chi application to be complete, you **must complete this step.** Otherwise, your application will be considered incomplete.

#### If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact:

Psi Chi Faculty Advisor: Dr. Lameese Eldesouky (lameese.eldesouky@aucegypt.edu)

Psychology Association: psych.a@aucegypt.edu

<sup>\*\*</sup>Once accepted, members must pay a one-time lifetime membership fee online of \$45 (+ \$5 processing fee).