



## 2009-2010 Scholarships and Awards Rules for Applying

Each **chapter** may nominate **three candidates** for each of the following:

1. Sigma Tau Delta Scholarship..... up to \$4,000
2. Junior Scholarships..... up to \$3,000
3. Senior Scholarships ..... up to \$3,000
4. Graduate Scholarships ..... up to \$3,000
5. P.C. Somerville Awards for Future Teachers..... up to \$2,000
6. Study Abroad Scholarships..... up to \$3,000
7. Summer Program Scholarships..... up to \$1,000

Each **chapter** may nominate **one candidate** for the following:

8. Student Leadership Award..... \$250

Chapter **members** (no limit per chapter) may apply for the following:

9. Scholarly Paper Awards:
  - Graduate member ..... up to \$150
  - Undergraduate member..... up to \$150
10. Individual Website Awards ..... up to \$250
11. Individual Blog Awards..... up to \$250
12. Regnery Publishing Internships
  - Summer (6 weeks)..... \$1,500
  - Fall or Spring (3–4 mos.)..... \$1,000 per month
13. Alumni Epsilon Scholarship in honor of Henry Regnery..... up to \$2,500

**Chapters** may apply for the following:

14. Chapter Website Awards ..... up to \$250
15. Chapter Blog Awards ..... up to \$250
16. Outstanding Literary Arts Journal Awards..... up to \$500
17. Elaine W. Hughes Outstanding Sponsor Award..... \$500
18. Outstanding Chapter Awards..... up to \$350
19. Project Grants..... up to \$300
20. Service Awards ..... up to \$200

**Scholarship application essays** of applicants not receiving other monetary awards are eligible for the following:

21. Best Scholarship Application Essay Awards..... \$100

**Applicants for most scholarships** are eligible for the following:

22. Runner-up and Regent Awards..... up to \$1,500

Application forms and information about deadlines, FAQ's (Frequently Asked Questions), etc. are available on the Sigma Tau Delta website at [www.english.org](http://www.english.org). Paper copies can be sent from the Central Office to chapter sponsor(s) **on request**. Applications **must** be postmarked by **midnight October 30, 2009** (exceptions: Study Abroad Scholarships [2<sup>nd</sup> round]; Summer Program Scholarships; Website Awards; Blog Awards; Outstanding Sponsor Awards; and Regnery Internships. See individual application forms for relevant deadlines for awards).

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1. Publicize the awards within your chapter and among the English majors at your institution. Copy the poster; post in all English classrooms and the department's main office.
2. Direct students to the website at **www.english.org** to get their forms, and have candidates compile an application packet. (You may ask the Central Office to mail hard copies of the forms if you do not have Internet access.) Chapters should set an on-campus deadline for applications earlier than that on the form. They should also set in place procedures for selecting and recognizing applicants to represent their chapter. For example, the chapter may vote to have the sponsor and/or a faculty committee review applications and choose candidates when more than the permitted number of candidates per chapter have applied. Officers may call a meeting to recognize applicants and hear them read their application essays.
3. Each Sigma Tau Delta chapter may nominate three persons for each of the first seven awards.
4. At the time of application, unless otherwise noted, all applicants **must** have finalized membership, completed induction and presently be active in a chapter in good standing. (However, the Regnery Publishing Internship also accepts applications from Sigma Tau Delta faculty members and alumni, and Scholarly Paper applicants need only have been student members at the time of their paper presentations.)
5. Applications must meet the formatting instructions specified on the individual application forms. Any deviations could result in disqualification.
6. Applications (except for the Regnery Publishing Internship and the Alumni Epsilon Scholarship) **must** be signed by a chapter sponsor, whose signature certifies that the application information is true and that the applicant is a member in good standing (or for the Scholarly Paper Award, was a student member when the paper was delivered).
7. **Applications must be postmarked by midnight on October 30, 2009** (exceptions: Study Abroad Scholarships [2<sup>nd</sup> round]; Summer Program Scholarships; Website Awards; Outstanding Sponsor Awards; and Regnery Internships).
8. **Electronic applications must be received by midnight on October 30, 2009** (exceptions: Study Abroad Scholarships [2<sup>nd</sup> round]; Summer Program Scholarships; Website Awards; Outstanding Sponsor Awards; and Regnery Internships). See online instructions at <http://www.english.org/sigmatd/awards/scholarships.shtml> for full details about online submission.
9. Address questions to: Scholarship Committee Chair, Dr. Shannin Schroeder, Department of English, Southern Arkansas University, 100 E. University, Magnolia, AR 71754-9257; e-mail: [smschroeder@saumag.edu](mailto:smschroeder@saumag.edu).
10. A selection committee reviews each application, recommending recipients and runners-up (based on achievements in scholarship *and* service) to the Sigma Tau Delta Board of Directors, which determines finalists by March 31. Typically awards are announced at the annual convention.
11. Should a recipient not meet employment, enrollment, or individual scholarship/award requirements for the following fall, the scholarship will be given to a runner-up.
12. No materials will be returned. Handwritten, late, incomplete, and/or faxed applications will not be considered.