



PHI THETA KAPPA
HONOR SOCIETY

Candidate Questionnaire: Getting to Know You

*Please complete this questionnaire. Answers should be brief.
Responses will appear unedited on Phi Theta Kappa's Catalyst website.*

Candidate for (highlight ONE):

- International President
- Division I Vice President
- Division II Vice President
- Division III Vice President
- Division IV Vice President

Your Name:

1. What is your college major?

My major is Engineering Science.

2. What is your ultimate career goal?

My ultimate career goal is to work in the motorsport industry and get involved in projects where I can work on more sustainable ways to make car racing possible. I would also like to start my journey in academia by working as a math professor and STEM researcher.

3. What was your primary reason for accepting PTK membership?

I heard of PTK in my first semester of college because of my cousin. He is a PTK alumni and always talked to me about how PTK helped him during his transfer process. I was really excited by the scholarships and leadership opportunities available through my chapter.

4. What's your go-to "fun fact" during an icebreaker?

My go-to fun fact during an icebreaker is adding comments on how my day is going, overexaggerating every single small aspect of the day, from how the morning was already a mess, to how I won't be able to sleep because of my classes.

5. If you could thank your past self for one decision, what would it be?

Looking back at myself a couple of years ago, I would thank myself for never giving up during my last years of high school. During most of my high school years, I lived in Italy, and I saw too many of my friends drop out of school due to social and personal difficulties. This was something that I certainly thought about doing for myself, since it is easier than fighting during failure. If I had to do it though, I would have never found myself as of who I am now, surrounded by friends at my college who motivate me every day to succeed.

Back in high school, I never would have thought I would be student in a prestigious honors society, never mind representing my chapter as chapter president.

6. What's a small, everyday thing that brings you joy?

What brings me joy in my everyday life is reading. I mostly love to read math and science books and I like to read a new idea or theorem every day, and just sit down to understand it. This comes from my love of exploring and learning new things.

7. If you could instantly master a random skill (tightrope walking, speaking fluent whale), what would it be and why?

If I had to master a random skill, I would choose flying. No one has found mathematical or scientific proof for humans flying yet, but I think I'll be the first to do it :)

8. What's your go-to hype song when you want to feel unstoppable?

When wanting to feel unstoppable, I put on my airpods and start my prime-era Kanye playlist.

9. What's your favorite way to recharge when you're running on empty?

The best way to recharge myself when I'm running out of energy and dopamine is spending my morning at the gym doing some cardio and then a sauna, to then finish up my afternoon going out with friends and eating something

10. What's your favorite tradition – family, personal, or something you invented?

A tradition that I've invented in the past few months is that, after winning a PTK pen in the last Middle State Region Conference, I take every exam with it as a superstitious habit.