



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: Noah Plahn

1. What is your college major? I'm a Business Transfer Pathway major, with aspirations of pursuing a degree in Business Administration at an out-of-state four-year university.
2. What is your ultimate career goal? My ultimate career goal is to lead with purpose and service—using my voice to advocate for others and help build strong, inclusive communities.
3. What was your primary reason for accepting PTK membership? My primary reason for accepting PTK membership was the opportunity to grow as a leader while serving alongside other motivated students. PTK represented more than academic recognition, it offered a community built on scholarship, service, and fellowship. I wanted to be part of an organization that challenges students to use their success to uplift others.
4. What's your go-to "fun fact" during an icebreaker? My go-to fun fact is that I'm a huge pet person, and my Yorkshire Terrier has a lot of personality packed into a very small dog. He has the confidence of a Great Dane.
5. If you could thank your past self for one decision, what would it be? I would thank my past self for trusting myself enough to pursue opportunities even when I didn't feel fully prepared. Those choices led to growth, confidence, and meaningful involvement in organizations such as PTK.
6. What's a small, everyday thing that brings you joy? One small thing that brings me joy is checking off even the tiniest tasks on my to-do list. There's something quietly satisfying about seeing progress, step by step, and it reminds me that even small efforts add up over time.
7. If you could instantly master a random skill (tightrope walking, speaking fluent whale), what would it be and why? I'd love to instantly master public speaking. I enjoy connecting with people, but being able to communicate ideas clearly and confidently in any situation would be powerful. Plus, I could finally share a story at icebreakers that goes beyond my usual quirky anecdotes and really leave an impression!

- 8. What's your go-to hype song when you want to feel unstoppable? When I want to feel unstoppable, I turn to a song that inspires me spiritually. It reminds me of my purpose, gives me strength, and helps me tackle challenges with confidence.**
- 9. What's your favorite way to recharge when you're running on empty? I recharge by connecting with close friends or family. Even a 10-minute phone call filled with laughter, or a meaningful conversation reminds me why I do what I do and refuels my motivation.**
- 10. What's your favorite tradition – family, personal, or something you invented? My favorite tradition is watching wrestling with my sibling. We've been fans since childhood, and even now, seeing them cheer at a match or get excited over a familiar move reminds me of those early days—and of the special connection that still brings us together today.**