

# THE SOCIETY OF SIGMA GAMMA EPSILON

## Quick Information Sheet

### Sigma Gamma Epsilon Members

This reference sheet has been prepared to answer some of the questions we receive from the various chapters, their officers, and advisors.

### **Current Membership Requirements:**

At least 10 semester hours or 15 quarter hours in Earth Science courses completed

A minimum G.P.A. of 2.67 in all college courses

A minimum G.P.A. of 3.00 in all Earth Science courses

### **Do you have a new Advisor?**

If so, please let us know so we can note the new advisor on the Sigma Gamma Epsilon website. If your new Advisor is not a member of SGE, he/she may be initiated as an Associate Member for the same initiation fee (\$25) and annual dues (\$15). Associate Members should be noted as such on the New Initiate form and/or Returning Member form.

### **What does an Advisor do?**

Article III, Sec. 7, states "Each chapter shall elect a Faculty Advisor, who is a Sigma Gamma Epsilon member, for a term of two (2) years." The Advisor provides continuity to the chapter, as officers usually change on a yearly basis. Vol. 76, No. 3, of *The Compass* contains articles by three National Officers on "the role of the faculty advisor." Your library should have a copy of that issue, or contact the National Office if you are interested in obtaining a copy.

### **Where is the National Office?**

The National Office is located in the Dept. of Earth Science on the campus of the University of Northern Iowa. Dr. James C. Walters is the National Secretary-Treasurer of SGE. Send all correspondence, inquiries, payments, and requests to him at:

Sigma Gamma Epsilon  
Department of Earth Science  
University of Northern Iowa  
Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0335



### **The National Council**

National President: Dr. Diane Burns/Eastern Illinois University.

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National Sec.-Treas.: Dr. James Walters/Univ. of Northern Iowa

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**Initiation Fee:** There is a one-time fee of \$25 for regular and associate members. Each member receives a membership card and a shingle. For each initiate, **Initiation Fee (\$25) plus Annual Dues (\$15) for a total of \$40** should be sent to the National Secretary-Treasurer's Office along with a completed **New Initiate form** as soon as possible after the initiation. Necessary forms are available on the *Officer Resources* page at [www.sigmagammaepsilon.com](http://www.sigmagammaepsilon.com).

**Annual Dues** are \$15 per year. All new and returning members should pay these on an **academic year** basis. **Annual dues are due on or before November 15.**

**Half-year Dues** of \$8 are due for only those new members initiated **after February 1**. This payment is combined with the **initiation fee of \$25, totaling \$33, for new members initiated after February 1.**

### **Helpful Hints to Expedite Receipt of Membership Cards and Shingles:**

- Go to [www.sigmagammaepsilon.com](http://www.sigmagammaepsilon.com) to obtain the **New Initiate form**, **Returning Member form**, and **Chapter Officers form**.
- Complete these lists and send them **electronically** to the National Office at [even@sigmagammaepsilon.com](mailto:even@sigmagammaepsilon.com). Save a copy of each for your Chapter records. **Submit printed copies** of these lists along with appropriate **dues and fees** to the National Office.
- Send Chapter check or money order rather than individual checks. (If your chapter does not have an account, take the checks to a bank and purchase a money order for the total.)