

IEEE Eta Kappa Nu (IEEE-HKN) How to Establish an Chapter

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■ What is IEEE-HKN?

- **First honor society within IEEE**
- An Honor Society is an organization, within a specific academic discipline, that:
 - Recognizes excellence among peers
 - Recognizes students who excel academically or as leaders among their peers
- Formed on 1 September 2010 following a merger between IEEE and Eta Kappa Nu Association (HKN)
- Dedicated to encouraging and recognizing excellence in the IEEE-designated fields of interest
- Membership consists of students, alumni, and other professionals who have demonstrated exceptional academic and professional accomplishments



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Why IEEE-HKN for Students?

- Membership in IEEE-HKN recognizes a student's academic achievement, as well as his/her potential as a leader, both in school and in their professional careers
- IEEE-HKN will have programs that explicitly identify and **encourage** young potential leaders while they are still **undergraduate students**
- IEEE-HKN will **recognize and organize faculty leaders and outstanding young practitioners**
- Having a category called IEEE-HKN Member **can be a powerful inducement**
 - Maintain **retention** of Students, or Graduate Students, as members of IEEE after graduation
 - IEEE's **only categories of honor recognition** for regular Members is **Senior Member** and **Fellow**



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■ First Steps to Establishing a Chapter

- University/College must offer undergraduate or graduate degree programs leading to a first professional degree in an IEEE-designated field of interest (typically Bachelor of Science, or Bachelor of Engineering, and in some areas Master of Science or Master of Engineering)
- All programs must meet the requirements of a recognized regional or professional accrediting agency
- Department Chair, Dean, School Chancellor, and other appropriate administrators must support formation of a chapter on campus
- A minimum of eight (8), and no more than 20, eligible students must be identified to establish a new chapter, submit specific paperwork, and become charter members of the chapter
- A Faculty Advisor to the chapter must be appointed



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- Who is qualified for membership?
 - Students pursuing courses leading to a first professional degree in an IEEE-designated field of interest and who have completed
 - At least one-third of the degree requirements and who have a cumulative scholastic rank in the upper fifth of their class
 - One-half of the degree requirements and who have a cumulative scholastic rank in the upper quarter of their class
 - Three-fourths of their degree requirements and have a cumulative scholastic rank in the upper third of their class



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- Who is qualified for membership? (cont'd)
 - Graduate Students who have graduated with a first professional degree from a school of recognized standing and possess the same scholastic and other qualifications required for undergraduate candidates
 - Faculty members whose principal areas of professional interests fall within the IEEE-designated fields of interest
 - Professionals who have done meritorious work in an area that falls within one of the IEEE-designated fields of interest



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■ Other requirements

- Candidate shall be a member of IEEE or join simultaneously at time of induction
- Induction fee in 2011 is USD 50.00
- Induction fee in 2012 is USD 60.00
 - Includes 1-year *FREE* membership to Student Members and Graduate Student Members
 - Includes 2-year subscription to *The Bridge*



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- What must be submitted to establish a chapter?
 - A written statement (letter) in support of the formation of the new chapter on campus
 - A statement (letter) detailing the IEEE Technical Fields of Interest degree programs at the University



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- What must be submitted to establish a chapter? (cont'd)
 - A letter (petition) signed by the charter members to form the chapter
 - A **Notice of Election of Officers Form** listing the interim chapter officers and Faculty Advisor responsible for chapter formation and subsequent operation
http://hkn.org/pdfs/notice_election2010.pdf



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- What must be submitted to establish a chapter? (cont'd)
 - A **New Member Requisition Form** listing charter members' contact info and graduation date
http://hkn.org/admin/hkn_new_member_requisition.pdf
 - Proposed **Chapter Bylaws** meant as guidelines for governing the chapter
<http://www.hkn.org/admin/documents.asp>



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- Chapter Awards
- Student Awards



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- Technical Achievement Awards
- Service Awards



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