



Phi Kappa Phi College of Charleston Chapter Solicitation for Undergraduate Research and Creative Works Award

The College of Charleston Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society, is now accepting applications for the annual Phi Kappa Phi Undergraduate Research and Creative Works Award from College of Charleston undergraduates who graduate in December of 2017 or May of 2018. Membership in Phi Kappa Phi is not required in order to be eligible for this award. The award recipient will be recognized at an awards ceremony in the spring of 2018 and receive a check for \$250.

Send an "intent to apply" to phikappaphi@cofc.edu by April 15, 2018 that includes the field of study and a draft title and **submit an application** to phikappaphi@cofc.edu before the close of business on Sunday, April 29, 2018. Please put "PKP URCW Award Application" in the subject line of the submission. Students are strongly encouraged to work closely with a College of Charleston faculty member in preparing the application for this award. The application has four parts:

- I. The first part is a summary page, one page of 12-point font, describing the significance of the work. This summary page should be written in a jargon free manner so that any faculty member, from any discipline, understands the work's significance. It may or may not be significantly different from the abstract that might be part of a bachelors essay submission.
- II. The second part of the application is a personal impact statement, one page of 12-point font, where the student describes the impact on herself/himself from doing this work.
- III. The third part of the application is the research or creative works product. This is the most important part of the application. It may be submitted in any format that can be made electronically, readily and publically accessible through the College of Charleston library (*e.g.* pdf file of a bachelors essay or a portfolio of creative work; an audio recording, a video recording, *etc.*). Please submit the work in a format that can be readily shared with and evaluated by the judges. Submitting five copies of a flash drive or a shared posting on Facebook is recommended for files that cannot be sent by email.
- IV. The fourth part is a one-page recommendation letter from a member of the College of Charleston faculty. The faculty member submitting the recommendation should be in a position to comment in a meaningful way on why the student applicant should be seriously considered for this award.

The judging criteria are not limited to, but will include the following key elements:

- Perceived creativity/originality of the work
- Perceived independence/ownership by the student applicant
- Perceived significance/public value of the work
- Perceived overall quality of the work/application
- Perceived impact on the student's development