

# Beta Phi Mu

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The name of this society is Beta Phi Mu, The International Library and Information Studies Honor Society.

## **ARTICLE II: PURPOSES**

The purposes of Beta Phi Mu are to recognize distinguished achievement in and scholarly contributions to library and information studies or library education, and to sponsor and support appropriate professional and scholarly projects related to these fields by:

1. Awarding scholarships, fellowships, and research grants to qualified students and scholars.
2. Publishing newsletters and scholarly works related to, library and information studies or library education.
3. Promoting, organizing and holding meetings, seminars, workshops, conferences and similar activities.

## **Membership**

Over 35,000 graduates of accredited library and information studies programs in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom have been initiated into Beta Phi Mu.

Regular membership, including the privileges of voting, holding office, and chapter affiliation, is extended by invitation to candidates at any college or university where the American Library Association has accredited a professional degree program, all other programs offered under the direction of the same faculty, and who fulfill the following requirements:

- Completion of **ALL** requirements leading to a master's degree with a scholastic average of no lower than 3.75 where A equals 4.0, or
- Completion of planned programs of advanced study beyond the master's degree which require full time study for one or more academic years with a scholastic average of 3.75 where A equals 4.0.

Each chapter is allowed to invite no more than twenty-five percent of the annual graduating class. Invitations to membership are based upon academic eligibility and a faculty assessment of candidates' professional leadership potential. There is not an application process and there is no time limit for acceptance of invitation.

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