



Theta Tau Velocitas

Engineering Leaders for Service, Profession, and Brotherhood



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UCLA CHAPTER INSTALLATION

[Register here](#)

Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity requests the pleasure of your company at the Installation of **Upsilon Delta Chapter** at the **University of California, Los Angeles** on **Saturday, April 25.**



Colony Certifications!

[Albany Certification Registration](#)

[CBU Certification Registration](#)

The Fraternity has two more colony certifications scheduled this spring. Please see the links above to register your attendance at the **University at Albany** Colony Certification, Saturday, **April 4**, or the

Christian Brothers University Colony Certification in Memphis, Sunday, **April 19.**



MARSHALL PETITION!

[Petition](#)

[Ballot](#)

We are proud to present the petition received from the Marshall University Colony of Theta Tau. Each chapter is to vote on the petition per the ballot attached. Please do so right away.

OUTSTANDING STUDENT MEMBER

[OSM Self Evaluation](#)

[OSM Certification & Selection](#)

Service to the Fraternity at all levels is recognized through selection by each chapter of its Outstanding Student Member for the **2014-15 school year.** Of these, one is named the national Fraternity's Robert E. Pope Outstanding Student Member. OSM self evaluations and certification are **due May 15 via the Scholar Select site.** **Each student member should complete the online application at:** <https://app.smarterselect.com/programs/21562-Theta-Tau>

Selection is based on information provided on a self-evaluation form to be completed by each student member. This is a valuable professional development experience. Members are encouraged to collaborate in recalling one another's service. Return **evaluation sheets** completed by student members and the **Certification Form** to the Central Office. The national Fraternity provides a certificate and award dangle for each chapter's honoree.

ALUMNI HALL OF FAME

[Nomination Packet](#)

[Hall of Fame webpage](#)

Each chapter should make an effort to identify alumni worthy of nomination for this honor based on the excellence of contributions to their profession(s) and/or to the Fraternity. Each chapter and alumni association should identify now, and then nominate alumni for consideration. A chapter may nominate 1 or 2, living or dead, regardless of chapter, place of residence, or chosen profession. Nomination forms are included in the link above. Please take advantage of this opportunity to nominate ones deserving this honor by **April 15.**





ANNUAL AWARDS PROGRAM

Recognize your chapter and Brothers! The Fraternity has created awards online at **Scholar Select** to facilitate your submission of your chapter for our numerous awards. Most have a deadline coming up quickly so submit soon! **Awards are:**

[Adviser Award of Excellence](#)

[Best Website](#)

[Outstanding Brotherhood Program](#)

[Best Newsletter](#)

[Best Photo](#)

[Outstanding Professional Development Program](#)

[Outstanding Service Program](#)

REGISTRATION OPENS FOR LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

You are encouraged to attend the Theta Tau Educational Foundation's **2015 Leadership Academy**. Registration is open now, at the regular registration rate of \$185 (increases to \$205 after May 15). Space is limited, and as Theta Tau has grown so much since the last Academy, we expect to sell out even before the May 1 early registration deadline. The Academy will be held **July 16-19**, at the **Georgia Institute of Technology** in Atlanta (<http://www.atlanta.net/50Fun/>). This is our first Academy at Georgia Tech (<http://www.gatech.edu/>), and it has outstanding lodging, meeting, and dining facilities at a central location in the city, accessible by car, and conveniently affordable to rail (via MARTA from the Atlanta airport - <http://itsmarta.com/airport.aspx>).



The Academy provides superior leadership training based on the Kouzes-Posner Leadership Challenge model at a highly affordable price. The inclusive registration fee covers 3 nights lodging on campus, 7 meals throughout the event, and all meeting materials.

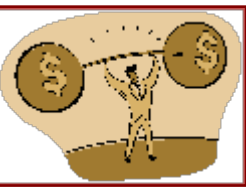
The Foundation's Square Payment site is used to register online here:

<https://squareup.com/market/theta-tau-educational-foundation/leadership-academy-registration>. Or, you may use the downloadable form here:

<http://thetatau.org/Websites/thetatauhq/images/RegForm2015.pdf>

Why should you attend?

- It's a useful tool to develop you as a leader
- For the most powerful experience offered by Theta Tau
- the \$185 **all-inclusive** fee is a bargain
- Join the engineering work force with skills your peers won't possess
- Learn how to lead groups, projects, teams
- Gain the confidence to suggest change, reform, and lead
- Make new connections with other fraternity brothers
- Represent your school at an event with 60+ other engineering schools



SEMI ANNUAL DUES

Dues Invoices and completed Dues Lists for each chapter and colony were emailed in early March to Regents and Treasurers. Dues are payable at \$85 each with a \$10 discount for payments sent by March 15. Special thanks to the following chapters for particularly early Dues Payments: Tau Beta, Upsilon, Upsilon Gamma, and Eta Gamma.

New for Theta Tau Graduating Seniors!

Gold stole features your choice of either Theta Tau Greek letters or Coat of Arms

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TO ORDER:

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 call: 512-472-1904
 e-mail: central.office@thetatau.org
 mail: Theta Tau Central Office
 1011 San Jacinto, Suite 205
 Austin, TX 78701

GRADUATION STOLES & CHORDS

Stoles Chords

Available through the [Online Store](#), the Central Office now stocks **Graduation Stoles** for sale to your members approaching graduation. The cost is **\$20** each and come in the Fraternity's Official Colors with either the Greek Letters **or** the Coat of Arms **embroidered**. Use the Online Store to purchase. **Graduation Chords** (at \$12 each) are also available from the central Office, **but**



order early as inventory of these items depletes rapidly.

MEMBER EDUCATION

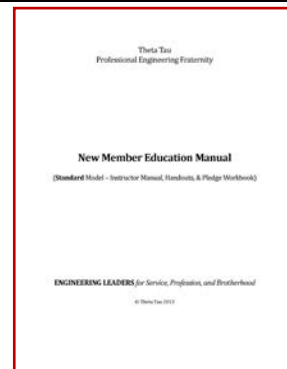
[Policy & Procedure Manual](#)

[New Member Education 2013 – Basic Model](#)

[New Member Education 2013 – Standard Model](#)

[New Member Education 2013 – Non Traditional Model](#)

The 2012 Convention also ordered the creation of New Member Education Manuals to be used in the preparation of pledges for membership in Theta Tau. These Manuals contain very detailed instruction, information, checklists, and materials needed to conduct a well-planned education period. Each Manual is divided into three parts: **Instructors Manual**, **Handouts**, and **Pledge Workbook**. Your chapter is encouraged to use these Manuals now.



At its January 2015 National Officer meeting, the importance to Theta Tau of adoption of these education manuals was affirmed with the decision to provide a **20% discount** on liability insurance available to your chapter for those chapters implementing this education program in Fall 2015. It is also expected that our insurance rates next year will be higher due to a variety of circumstances so taking advantage of this opportunity for lower rates will be especially beneficial to your chapter.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

[Foundation's Endowed Funds](#)

[Uniform Scholarship Application](#) (5/15 deadline)

A single uniform online application is now available for any/all scholarships from the Theta Tau Educational Foundation. Please review the Endowed Fund page linked above for specific eligibility criteria that may apply to each scholarship. Along with the application, please upload to the Scholar Site an official transcript and portrait style photo. Those who make sucawards will tell you that they often have more awards than they have applicants, so apply right away.

VELOCITAS NEWSLETTER

Generating Superior Performance for Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity

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