Delta Tau Delta Fraternity recognized its top chapters for the 54th year with the Hugh Shields Award during the Fraternity’s Division Conferences in February.

**Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence**

The Hugh Shields Award for Chapter Excellence was established in 1965. It is named for the late Hugh Shields (Indiana University, 1926), the first executive vice president of the Fraternity. The award recognizes overall excellence in a chapter and is presented to the top chapters in the Fraternity.* Chapters are honored with a ceremonial gavel and a Hugh Shields flag.

**The 2018 Hugh Shields recipients (years awarded including this year in parentheses)**

- Alpha–Allegheny College (17)
- Beta Theta–The University of the South (3)
- Delta Gamma–University of South Dakota (13)
- Epsilon Iota–B–Kettering University (11)
- Epsilon Phi–Southeastern Louisiana University (19)
- Epsilon Zeta–Sam Houston State University (2)
- Gamma Kappa–University of Missouri (6)
- Iota Epsilon–Chapman University (11)
- Iota Psi–Northeastern University (4)
- Iota Sigma–North Dakota State University (1)
- Omicron–University of Iowa (4)

*11 recipients named in 2019 for the 2018 academic year
Court of Honor Award

In addition to the Hugh Shields Awards, 19 chapters received a Court of Honor Award. The Court of Honor Award was officially established in 1965. The annual award is presented to the top 20 chapters in the Fraternity. For the 2018 reporting year, all chapters were asked to submit the Fraternity Awards/Accreditation Report (FAAR). Chapters were asked to provide documents that measure compliance with the Fraternity’s minimum operating standards, exceptional facets of their operations and Delta Tau Delta programming. Chapters were graded on excellence in chapter finance, recruitment, membership education, academics, alumni relations and community service. Chapters are honored with a gavel.

The 2018 Court of Honor (years awarded including this year in parentheses)

- Alpha–Allegheny College (22)
- Beta Theta–The University of the South (4)
- Delta Gamma–University of South Dakota (23)
- Delta Omega–Kent State University (4)
- Epsilon Iota-B–Kettering University (19)
- Epsilon Phi–Southeastern Louisiana University (21)
- Epsilon Upsilon–Marietta College (12)
- Epsilon Zeta–Sam Houston State University (5)
- Gamma Beta–Illinois Institute of Technology (27)
- Gamma Kappa–University of Missouri (15)
- Gamma Psi–Georgia Institute of Technology (10)
- Iota Beta–Wittenberg University (1)
- Iota Epsilon–Chapman University (14)
- Iota Psi–Northeastern University (4)
- Iota Sigma–North Dakota State University (4)
- Iota Xi–Florida Institute of Technology (3)
- Nu–Lafayette College (1)
- Omicron–University of Iowa (7)
- Zeta Zeta–Morehead State University (5)

Superior Academic Achievement

This award goes to the chapter with the highest relative GPA in each division. As Delts dispersed across many campuses, it is difficult to compare one chapter to another. However, we are all able to be compared to those on our campus. To receive this award a chapter must be first on campus. From those chapters the chapter with the highest GPA relative to the all-male average on that campus is selected.

- Iota Iota–John Carroll University
- Beta Rho–Stanford University
- Gamma Kappa–University of Missouri
- Lambda–Vanderbilt University
- Omega–University of Pennsylvania
Division Scholarship Award
Honoring the division with the highest percentage of chapters above the all men’s average on its campuses

- Western Plains Division

John H. Venable Award
Intended to recognize exceptional academic achievement by a chapter. The award is named for John H. Venable, Carnegie Mellon 1951, former director of academic affairs, in recognition of his dedication to the academic excellence of undergraduate chapters. Presented to one chapter annually at its division conference, typically to the chapter showing the highest-grade point improvement in the previous year.

- Epsilon Gamma–Washington State University

Above the Campus All-Male-Average/All-Fraternity-Average

- Alpha–Allegheny College
- Beta Psi–Wabash College
- Beta Theta–University of the South
- Alpha–Allegheny College
- Beta Psi–Wabash College
- Beta Theta–University of the South
- Beta Zeta–Butler University
- Delta Chi–Oklahoma State University
- Delta Iota–University of California–Los Angeles
- Delta Lambda–Oregon State University
- Epsilon–Albion College
- Epsilon Delta–Texas Tech University
- Epsilon Gamma–Washington State University
- Epsilon Iota–A–Kettering University
- Epsilon Nu–Missouri Univ. of Science and Technology
- Epsilon Phi–Southeastern Louisiana University
- Epsilon Pi–University of South Florida
- Epsilon Rho Crescent Colony–University of Texas–Arlington
- Epsilon Zeta–Sam Houston State University
- Gamma Beta–Illinois Institute of Technology
- Gamma Eta–George Washington University
- Gamma Kappa–University of Missouri
- Gamma Rho–University of Oregon
- Gamma Tau–University of Kansas
- Iota Beta–Wittenberg University
- Iota Chi–Lindenwood University
- Iota Epsilon–Chapman University
- Iota Iota–John Carroll University
- Iota Omega–University of Texas - Dallas
- Iota Omicron–Babson College
Above the Campus All-Male-Average/All-Fraternity-Average (continued)

- Iota Psi–Northeastern University
- Iota Tau–Sacred Heart University
- Iota Xi–Florida Institute of Technology
- Kappa Epsilon–College of New Jersey
- Kappa Zeta–College of Charleston
- Kappa–Hillsdale College
- Lambda–Vanderbilt University
- Nu–Lafayette College
- Omicron–University of Iowa
- Theta Gamma–Arizona State University
- Theta Lambda–University of California-Riverside
- Theta Mu–Clemson University
- Zeta Beta–LaGrange College
- Zeta Mu–Robert Morris University
- Zeta Psi–Stephen F. Austin State University
- Zeta Sigma–Texas A&M University

First on Campus Academically

- Alpha–Allegheny College
- Beta Mu–Tufts University
- Beta Theta–University of the South
- Beta Zeta–Butler University
- Epsilon Phi–Southeastern Louisiana University
- Epsilon Rho–University of Texas-Arlington
- Epsilon–Albion College
- Gamma Beta–Illinois Institute of Technology
- Gamma Rho–University of Oregon
- Iota Chi–Lindenwood University
- Iota Epsilon–Chapman University
- Iota Iota–John Carroll University
- Iota Omega–University of Texas - Dallas
- Iota Omicron–Babson College
- Iota Phi–University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
- Iota Xi–Florida Institute of Technology
- Kappa Gamma–Monmouth University
- Lambda–Vanderbilt University
- Nu–Lafayette College
- Omega–University of Pennsylvania
- Theta Lambda–University of California-Riverside
- Theta Tau–Moravian College
- University of Connecticut Crescent Colony
- Zeta Beta–LaGrange College
- Zeta Psi–Stephen F. Austin State University
- Zeta Sigma–Texas A&M University
IFC President Award

- Conor D. Brockway (Tufts University, 2020)
- Allan E. Carlsen (University of Delaware, 2019)
- John W. Jerich (Robert Morris University, 2020)
- Cameron C. Wilson (Baylor University, 2020)
- Travis Jones (Southeastern Louisiana University, 2020)
- Kenny A. Arini (Illinois Institute of Technology, 2019)
- Eli Ong (Grand Valley State University, 2019)
- Troy E. Boucher (Wittenberg University, 2019)
- Lucas N. Danford (Marietta College, 2020)
- Connor D. Echols (Northwestern University, 2020)
- Jack Ciesinski (Marquette University, 2020)

Chapter Growth

- Beta Eta–University of Minnesota
- Beta Mu–Tufts University
- Delta Iota–University of California-Los Angeles
- Delta Nu–Lawrence University
- Delta Omicron–Westminster College
- Epsilon Pi–University of South Florida
- Gamma Kappa–University of Missouri
- Iota Kappa–Appalachian State University
- Iota Mu–Quinnipiac University
- Iota Theta–Kennesaw State University
- Omega–University of Pennsylvania
- Zeta Alpha–Marquette University
- Zeta Sigma–Texas A&M University

JDRF Service

- Delta Alpha–University of Oklahoma
- Delta Delta–University of Tennessee
- Delta Zeta–University of Florida
- Epsilon Iota-B–Kettering University
- Iota Epsilon–Chapman University
- Iota Phi–Northwestern University
- Iota Sigma–North Dakota State University
- Iota Theta–Kennesaw State University
- Kappa Epsilon–College of New Jersey
- Theta Delta–Baylor University
- Theta Gamma–Arizona State University
- Theta Xi–Eastern Michigan University
- Zeta Mu–Robert Morris University
Road Programming

- Delta Gamma–University of South Dakota
- Epsilon Iota B–Kettering University
- Epsilon Phi–Southeastern Louisiana University
- Epsilon Zeta–Sam Houston State University
- Gamma Psi–Georgia Institute of Technology
- Iota Epsilon–Chapman University
- Iota Psi–Northeastern University
- Iota Sigma–North Dakota State University
Eastern Division Awards

**Academic Improvement**
Beta Omicron–Cornell University
Nu–Lafayette College

**Alumni Service**
Nick deKanter (Tufts University, 1976)
Advisor to Beta Mu Chapter at Tufts University

**Campus Involvement**
Nu–Lafayette College

**Member Education**
Iota Psi–Northeastern University

**Most Improved Chapter**
Nu–Lafayette College

**Outstanding Academic Programming**
Alpha–Allegheny College

**Outstanding Alumni Programming**
Iota Psi–Northeastern University

**Outstanding Chapter President**
Michael Fox (Northeastern University, 2019)

**Outstanding Chapter Treasurer**
Thomas Treshock
(Stevens Institute of Technology, 2020)

**Outstanding Alumni Advising**
Mark Hirschfeld (Marietta College, 2009)
Advisor for Zeta Mu Chapter at Robert Morris University

**Outstanding Community Service**
Nu–Lafayette College

**Excellence in Ritual Education**
Iota Psi–Northeastern University

**Shelter Pride**
Beta Mu–Tufts University
## Northern Division Awards

### Academic Improvement
- Epsilon Upsilon–Marietta College
- Kappa–Hillsdale College

### Alumni Service
- Dustin Gorder (Quincy University, 2003)
  Division Vice President for Iota Delta Chapter at Quincy University

### Campus Involvement
- Epsilon Upsilon–Marietta College

### Member Education
- Iota Sigma–North Dakota State University

### Most Improved Chapter
- Delta Omega–Kent State

### Outstanding Academic Programming
- Delta–University of Michigan

### Outstanding Alumni Programming
- Iota Sigma–North Dakota State University

### Outstanding Chapter President
- Jacob Chenitz (Purdue University, 2019)

### Outstanding Chapter Treasurer
- Ryan Zeitler (Kent State University, 2019)

### Robert Ferguson Advisor of the Year
- Ryan Moretti (Albion College, 2014)
  Advisor of Delta Chapter at the University of Michigan

### Outstanding Community Service
- Epsilon Iota-B–Kettering University

### Excellence in Ritual Education
- Iota Sigma–North Dakota State University

### Shelter Pride
- Gamma Xi–University of Cincinnati

### Excellence in Ritual Performance
- Zeta–Case Western Reserve University
Southern Division Awards

Academic Improvement
Zeta Beta–LaGrange College

Alumni Service
Mike Hanson [University of South Florida, 1977]
Division Vice President for Epsilon Pi at the
University of South Florida

Campus Involvement
Iota Xi–Florida Institute of Technology

Member Education
Zeta Zeta–Morehead State University

Most Improved Chapter
Gamma Psi–Georgia Institute of Technology

Outstanding Academic Programming
Delta Kappa–Duke University

Outstanding Alumni Programming
Zeta Chi–University of Southern Mississippi

Outstanding Chapter President
Godwin Chan [Georgia Institute of Technology, 2019]

Outstanding Alumni Advising
Kevin Snyder [University of North Carolina at Wilmington, 1998]
Advisor for Delta Kappa Chapter at Duke University

Outstanding Community Service
Beta Theta–University of the South

Excellence in Ritual Education
Zeta Beta–LaGrange College

Shelter Pride
Zeta Chi–University of Southern Mississippi
Western Pacific Division Awards

Academic Improvement
Epsilon Gamma–Washington State University

Academic Improvement
Theta Lambda–University of California – Riverside

Member Education
Iota Epsilon–Chapman University

Most Improved Chapter
Theta Gamma–Arizona State University

Outstanding Academic Programming
Iota Epsilon–Chapman University

Outstanding Alumni Programming
Gamma Rho–University of Oregon

Outstanding Chapter President
Jacob Vilhauer [University of California - Santa Barbara, 2020]

Outstanding Chapter Treasurer
Spencer Gullickson [Oregon State University, 2020]

The James Bowersox Award for Outstanding Alumni Advising
Jason Feiner [Bradley University, 1997] Advisor for Delta Lambda at Oregon State University

Outstanding Community Service
Iota Epsilon–Chapman University

Excellence in Ritual Education
Iota Epsilon–Chapman University

Outstanding Chapter President
Kobe Nelson [Oregon State University, 2019]
Western Plains Division Awards

Academic Improvement
Epsilon Eta–Texas A&M - Commerce

Alumni Service
Dave Jackson, (University of Iowa, 1976)
Faculty Academic Advisor for Omicron Chapter at the University of Iowa

Campus Involvement
Delta Gamma–University of South Dakota

Member Education
Epsilon Zeta–Sam Houston State University

Most Improved Chapter
Iota Chi–Lindenwood College

Outstanding Academic Programming
Zeta Psi–Stephen F. Austin State University

Outstanding Alumni Programming
Delta Gamma–University of South Dakota

Outstanding Chapter President
Bryson Brown (University of Kansas, 2019)

Outstanding Chapter Treasurer
Nick Rovang (University of South Dakota, 2020)

Outstanding Community Service
Delta Gamma–University of South Dakota

Excellence in Ritual Education
Delta Gamma–University of South Dakota

Shelter Pride
Gamma Tau–University of Kansas