**Beta Alpha Psi**

Gamma Rho Chapter, Western Michigan University

# Exploratory Member Information Packet Spring 2018

**What is Beta Alpha Psi?**

Beta Alpha Psi is an International Honorary Organization for Financial Information students. The Gamma Rho Chapter at Western Michigan University is a vital organization of accounting and finance students which has been active on campus for over 40 years. While membership implies past academic achievements, emphasis in the organization is on professional development of members and the advancement of the profession. Active involvement is required and helps prepare students for the leadership roles they will assume during their careers.

**Who may join?**

Eligible accounting majors and finance or information systems majors with accounting minors who express interest in Beta Alpha Psi membership will be invited to become initiates.

**Eligibility requirements:**

GPA of 3.0 or higher

Expressed Interest in Accounting, Finance, or CIS Major

Completed one full semester (or equivalent) at Western Michigan University or another AACSB or regionally accredited college or university

**Dues?**

$40 by **January 25th**

**Dress code?**

Business Casual dress is required for meetings. Business professional is required for professional events unless announced otherwise.

**Benefits of joining BAP?**

* Gain knowledge about the profession at weekly meetings where professionals of various accounting firms and other employers present.
* Network with professionals and peers.
* Learn skills that can aid in your search for internships and/or full-time positions.
* Help other WMU students by tutoring ACTY 2100 & 2110 and help your community by volunteering at various events.

**Exploratory Member**

**Requirements**

## Meetings

### Exploratory Members must attend all meetings

Meetings are held every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. in room #1360 Schneider Hall

Any absences must be made up by a professional event approved by the E-board

## Community Service

**Exploratory Members must complete 8 hours of community service**

## Social Events

**Exploratory Members must attend at least one social event**

## Committees

### Exploratory Members must participate in a committee

Committees may include: Analytics/Finance, BAP National/Regional Presentations, Diversity, Outreach, and Social

**Spring 2018 Schedule of**

**Events**

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| **Day** | **Date** | **Description** | **Time** | **Location** |
| Thursday | January 11th | Beta Alpha Psi Informational Night | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | January 18th | MICPA (CPA Examination) | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | January 25th | Yeo & Yeo | 6:00 p.m. | Fetzer Center |
| Thursday | February 1st | Social Event | 6:00 p.m. | Airway Center |
| Thursday | February 8th | Dow Chemical Company | 6:00 p.m. | Hcob 1360 |
| Thursday | February 15th | Stryker | 6:00 p.m | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | February 22nd | TBD | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | March 1st | Rehmann | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | March 8th | Spring Break | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | March 15th | U of M | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | March 22nd | Career Center | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | March 29th | Seber Tans | 6:00 p.m. | HCob 1360 |
| Thursday | April 5th | STAR Employer Workshop | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| Thursday | April 12th | E-Board Elections | 6:00 p.m. | HCoB 1360 |
| **Thursday** | **April 19th** | **Banquet** | **6:00 p.m.** | **Fetzer Center** |

**Schedule is subject to change**. Any changes, in addition to new community service opportunities and social events, will be announced at weekly meetings, weekly newsletter and on our website and facebook page.

**Executive Board**

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By completing the various sections of this application form or subsequent forms sent out to members as when registering for an event or meeting, you are supplying Beta Alpha Psi with information about yourself. Beta Alpha Psi (BAP) needs this information to maintain a record of your membership, communicate with you, carry out its activities, assist you if you have a disability and maintain contact with you when you have graduated. BAP must also satisfy the statistical and data requirements of as and when requested by governmental and any grant giving bodies and the Internal Revenue Service. Much of the information that is collected from you via all methods listed in the privacy policy is required by governmental and any grant giving bodies and the IRS and BAP is not permitted to accept your application unless the information is provided.

The information you supply is stored in the Reporting Intranet and internal and external databases listed in the Privacy Policy and is made available to the Executive Office, conference planners, the organizing committees of meetings and competitions, the alumni section when you graduate and your local chapter as required. Information will be disclosed as listed in the Privacy Policy and to governmental and any grant giving bodies and the IRS in accordance with their directives. The names and current projects of chapters and members may be published in electronic and or printed media highlighting the projects undertaken by BAP, its chapters or its members. If you do not want these details published, you should inform the executive office and your local chapter.

BAP will use the email address you provided with this application to contact you about matters related to your membership of BAP and to inform you about services available to you while you are a member or an alumni member.

BAP may access your records to identify students who may be eligible for employment opportunities and may pass on a subset of the records to employers. BAP may also provide a list of members and candidates’ standing to employers and other relevant parties.

Beta Alpha Psi, or your local chapter, may publicize events by printing and distributing information and/or pictures of members. Printed material may include names of members and descriptions of events. Pictures may be accompanied by identification details or they may be anonymous.

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Welcome to Beta Alpha Psi!