Circle Advisor Training Workshop - Registration Deadline Extended

Registration for the 2nd annual Circle Advisor Training Workshop (CATW) has been extended until Friday, December 16, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern)

DATES: January 6-7, 2023

REGISTRATION: Limited to 40 attendees on a first-come, first-served basis | Register here

LOCATION: The Alexandrian Old Town, Alexandria, Virginia. Attendees will make their reservations with a block booking number provided after registration.

COST: There is no registration fee for this event. O∆K will cover the costs for the Friday night hotel stay, meals (Friday evening reception; Saturday breakfast and lunch), hotel parking, and event materials.

TRANSPORTATION: Attendees must cover their travel expenses.

New O∆K Member Portal COMING SOON!

Omicron Delta Kappa announces the launch of a new Member Portal powered by Aarwin MEP in Spring 2023.

The portal is a Membership Engagement Platform (MEP) from which members and circles manage their activities related to O∆K.

It is a digital hub that allows members to view their membership records, register and pay for programs and events, and connect with other members through chats and email.

The portal allows circles to accept applications for membership, view member records, and communicate with members currently on campus and those that have moved on in the world.

The O∆K Member Portal replaces the Membership Management System (MMS) and the previous payment portals. It is essentially a one-stop shop for all things O∆K.

We are in still in the development phase of the program, but we want to make sure circles know that changes to the application and membership management of O∆K are on the horizon.

Look for more information in January about functional testing and training. All circle officers will be required to attend a webinar training program before we grant administrative access to circle records.

Because of the higher levels of access to data, all new student officers will be required to sign the Student Officers Agreement, similar to the Circle Advisors Agreement.

Student and Faculty/Staff Representatives on the O∆K Board of Trustees

Omicron Delta Kappa is seeking the next faculty/staff and student trustees for our Board of Trustees.

Student trustees and faculty/staff trustees have just as much authority and responsibility as our other board members. They attend our quarterly board meetings and voice the concerns of our collegiate members and advisors as policies and procedures are developed for O∆K. To be eligible to serve, student trustees need to plan to be enrolled in a degree program during the Fall 2023 semester. One does not need to be enrolled throughout the three years of service as a student trustee. Faculty/staff
trustees need to either be current or former circle coordinators or faculty advisors.

Each trustee serves for a term of three years. The Society covers expenses to the in-person meetings of the board for student and faculty/staff trustees.

Nominations open for both positions on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

The deadline for faculty/staff trustee nominations and applications is March 1, 2023. The deadline for student trustee nominations and applications is March 15, 2023.

Additional information about these volunteer leadership opportunities may be found on our [website](#).

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**Scholarship Timeline Changes**

Omicron Delta Kappa has adjusted the timeline for members to apply for scholarships.

- The scholarships application will open on January 15, 2023.
- The application deadline is April 1, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. (Eastern).

Please ensure your senior and graduate student members are aware of this opportunity to seek funding for post-baccalaureate study.

More information is available on the O∆K [Scholarship website](#).

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**Save the Date - 2023 National Leadership Conference**

The 2023 National Leadership Conference will be held November 17-19, in Atlanta, Georgia, at the Westin Buckhead. This is another change for our national gathering as we continue to adjust the conference to the needs of our membership.

Michelle Burke (University of South Carolina-Columbia, 1997) serves the National Conference Chair and leads the Conference Planning Team (CPT). If you are interested in serving on the CPT or helping with the conference, contact Michelle at [nlc@odk.org](mailto:nlc@odk.org) or complete the conference [volunteer application](#).

Save the date in your calendars and start raising those funds to bring your circle leadership to the 2023 National Leadership Conference.

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**Circle Officer Webinars**

The O∆K National Headquarters Team facilitates training webinars each semester. Webinars are open and free to all O∆K officers. Additional circle members may be invited as circle officers deem appropriate. Advanced registration is required and will open in January. Webinars will be held weekly on Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. (Eastern) from January 18 to March 8, 2023.

Recordings of the fall webinars are available online. Spring recordings will be posted after each program.

- Jan. 18 - Introduction to Circle Minimum Standards
- Feb. 1 - Officer Selection, Training and Transition
- Feb. 8 - Engaging Busy Leaders in Your Circle
- Feb. 15 - Best Practices in New Member Recruitment
- Feb. 22 - Circle Programming (Signature Programs, Clay Grants, Stone Ethical Leadership Challenge)
- Mar. 1 - Growing and Marketing the O∆K Brand
- Mar. 8 - Semester Wrap-Up

For more information on officer training, [click here](#).

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**O∆K National Headquarters Winter Holiday Hours**

The winter holiday break begins next week. Please note that the National Headquarters will be closed during the following times (all times Eastern).

- Close: Wednesday, December 21, 5:30 p.m.
- Reopen: Tuesday, January 3, 2023, 8:30 a.m.

We will be monitoring phone messages (540-458-5336), and email ([odknhdq@odk.org](mailto:odknhdq@odk.org)) throughout the holidays. We will respond if there is an emergency.