

A PETITION  
TO  
THE INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY  
OF  
DELTA SIGMA PI  
●  
BY  
SIGMA RHO DELTA  
OF  
CLEVELAND COLLEGE  
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

## DELTA BETA PHI

As the first complete commerce fraternity on the campus, Delta Beta Phi began its existence December 4, 1947.

The fraternity began organizing in October, 1947. In that month, after conferences with Dean John W. Lucas, an organizing committee composed of A. D. Agee, Glen C. Appleby, Bruce Chevalier, F. Alec Phillips, Harry P. Jassman, and James Hergert was formed.

Jassman, assisted by Hergert, Appleby, and Byron Miller, presented a constitution, based on the national chapters at the Universities of Nebraska and Creighton and the national commerce constitution, embodying the principles of all three. At the same time Russell Bakke, assisted by Frank Rathbun, drew a plan of business and professional meetings. The constitution and plan were adopted and transmitted to the Student Council for consideration.

After having passed the constitution, it was forwarded to the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs for approval. Such approval was obtained on December 4, 1947, and the first meeting was held on that date.

Beginning on this date and following an unerring path up to the present, Delta Beta Phi has promoted the policy of bettering the fraternity, the school, and the community in every way possible. Our fraternity possesses one of the leading group Scholastic records on the campus; Brothers hold outstanding positions of leadership in all phases of school and business activities--one of our Brothers being president of the senior class. We have greatly increased our participation in intramural activities during the second year of organization. We have entered teams in volley-ball, basketball, and bowling competition.

Our community activity can best be exemplified by the "Kettle Day" drive of the Salvation Army when our Brothers collected \$170.55. Our professional and business activities have coincided with those stipulated in the constitution and by-laws that were modeled after those of the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity.

The social activities of the fraternity in the past have been few in number, the emphasis being placed on business and professional activities that were felt to be beneficial to the brothers rather than many superfluous activities. The outstanding social activity was a dinner-dance at the Rome Hotel in May of 1948.

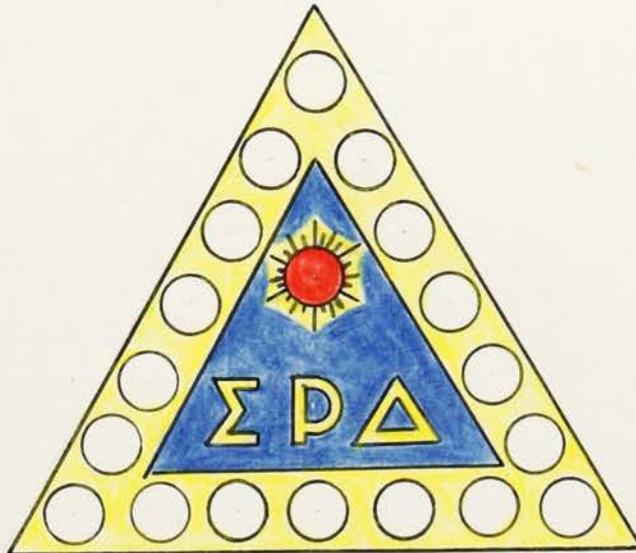
We the Brothers of Delta Beta Phi, firm in our belief in the value and brotherhood of our fraternity, hope that it may progress and grow in the spirit in which it was founded.

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We, the members of Sigma Rho Delta  
Fraternity, do hereby petition to establish  
at Cleveland College of Western Reserve  
University, a chapter of the International  
Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi.

In seeking this association, we  
pledge ourselves to the Constitution, rules  
and regulations, and By-laws of Delta Sigma  
Pi Fraternity.



Name of this Fraternity:

SIGMA RHO DELTA FRATERNITY

Its Purpose:

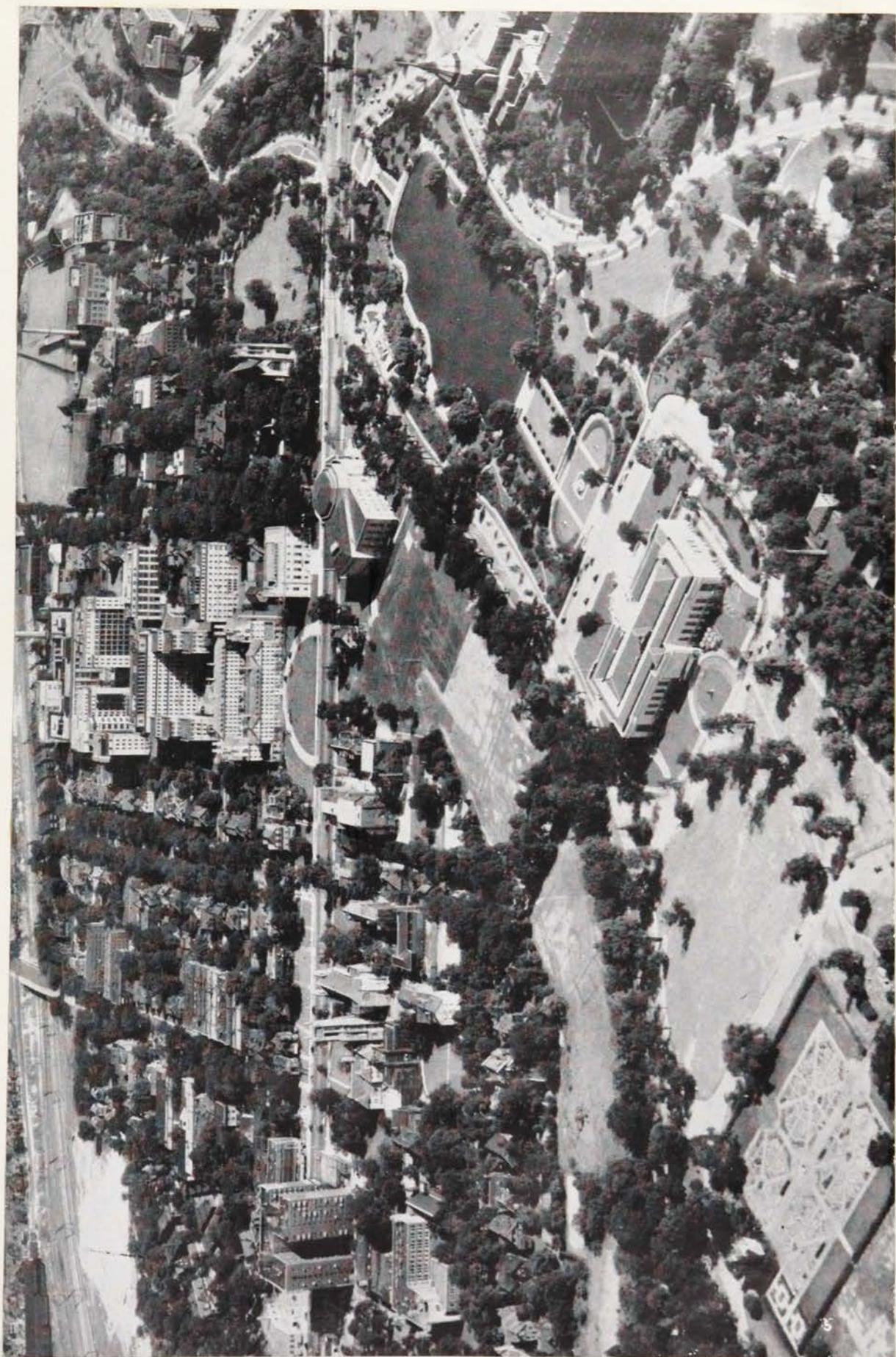
This fraternity is dedicated to the task of equipping its members for the life that lies ahead. It is banded together for the purposes of self development through association with kindred spirits. It believes that the torch of human intelligence must be carried so that its light may dispel the shadows of ignorance. It believes that through the serious promotion of fellowship, high scholastic standards, and adherence to correct moral values and an understanding of the brotherhood of man these things will be accomplished.

OFFICERS OF SIGMA RHO DELTA

President	Robert Pollock
Vice-President	George Spanagel
Secretary	Robert Dantio
Treasurer	Robert Martin
Historian	Robert Shirley
Pledgemaster	James Helm
Faculty Advisor	Professor Kenneth Lawyer



HISTORY OF WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY



## WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY, founded in 1826, is one of the nation's larger institutions of learning. Its 12 schools and colleges, with faculties of more than 700 members, enroll annually more than 10,000 students. Its system of libraries and numerous public and private institutional libraries in Cleveland make available to students a total collection of more than 3,500,000 volumes. Its extensive laboratories in the medical, social, and natural sciences help give distinction to the University not only as a major institution of instruction in the United States but also as a center of original research and scholarly endeavor.

The educational programs of the University are designed to serve many fields of human activity. Seven of the schools and colleges give undergraduate work in the arts and sciences or in the professions of dentistry, pharmacy, architecture, and nursing. Six of the schools offer graduate professional work in medicine, the law, the applied social sciences, library science, dentistry, and nursing; and the Graduate School offers work leading to higher degrees in professional fields as well as in the arts and sciences. In addition, the Summer Session, a Division of the University, offers several hundred courses in the liberal arts at undergraduate and graduate levels. The Division of Education provides a wide range of courses in many

colleges leading to the doctorate. Similarly the Division of Business Administration calls on the services of several colleges and offers many series of courses leading to the degrees of Bachelor of Business Administration and the Master of Business Administration. The accelerated programs and the summer sessions of the professional schools and the schools of liberal arts help students in terms of calendar years to shorten the time spent in completing their courses. Part-time and evening courses and cooperative work-study programs provide special opportunities for many students to secure collegiate education.

The main campus of the University, with its 64 buildings, is approximately five miles east of downtown Cleveland, the center of a metropolitan population of more than 1,200,000. The Downtown Center of the University, which includes Cleveland College, is situated in a seven-story building on the Public Square. Both locations are readily accessible to good transportation, theatres, stores, restaurants, and cultural and religious institutions. Twenty minutes by automobile from the campus is the University's 276-acre Squire Valleeview Farm, used for home economics and various recreational activities for students, and for field and experimental work in the biological and pharmaceutical sciences.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL ADVANTAGES

The location of the University in a large metropolitan center brings to it many advantages. The industrial and commercial organizations, the museums, libraries, fine arts associations, and scientific societies offer to students extensive and varied experiences.

Both the campus of the University at University Circle and Cleveland College, the Downtown Center on the Public Square have their particular advantages.

Adjacent to the campus is a system of parks and fine arts and nationality gardens extending four miles to Lake Erie. On the campus is Severance Hall, the home of the Cleveland Orchestra, one of the nation's leading symphonic organizations. At this Hall students may attend not only orchestra concerts but a wide variety of musical recitals and lectures on subjects of current interest. Within walking distance is the Cleveland Museum of Art, outstanding for the quality of its exhibits. It leads the nation's museums in some branches of fine arts. Its American and Modern Paintings are highly representative, and it owns some of the outstanding examples in the nation of craft work, of paintings of the Italian Renaissance, and of Oriental art. The Museum, in addition to its variety of exhibits, presents several special events weekly including lectures, gallery talks, music recitals, and motion pictures. Near University Circle, the Cleveland Play House, one of the leaders in the Little Theatre movement, offers each season a carefully selected repertoire of plays at nominal prices. Adjacent to the University campus are the Western Reserve Historical Society and the Cleveland School of Art, with their specialized libraries and their programs of lectures and exhibits. All of the institutions mentioned have working arrangements with the University for the benefit of students.

The Downtown Center of the University, in the midst of the business section of Cleveland, is itself a center of activity, where

many types of civic groups stage forums, exhibits, and lectures, bringing students in close contact with men and women active in present day affairs. The Little Gallery at the Center displays the work of students as well as that of outstanding artists and craftsmen. Within walking distance are not only the Cleveland Public Library, but also the Public Auditorium, where special events are held ranging from grand opera, lectures, plays, and concerts to national expositions.

#### FACULTIES

The Faculties of the University, numbering more than 700 men and women, have varied educational backgrounds, and through them the qualities of many of the leading universities in the United States and Europe are represented. A considerable number of the members have been brought to the University after extensive teaching experience elsewhere. With these newer members are those who have had many years of experience at the University. A large percentage in the upper ranks have established reputations for research, scholarship, and original work. Some of the members are eminent international authorities in their fields of study.

#### LIBRARIES

The libraries of Western Reserve University, comprising 574,000 volumes, are 20th among the university libraries of the United States. The collections of books are chiefly at the University Library, which has 362,800 volumes. The other collections are located throughout the University in 10 other libraries, the largest of which is at Flora Stone Mather College. The School of Law library

enjoys the distinction of having among its 57,000 volumes all the laws enacted by the legislative bodies of all the Colonies and States since the beginning of colonization. In addition to the 32,500 volumes in the School of Medicine, the Allen Memorial Medical Library on the campus has 63,000 volumes. The holdings of the libraries of the other schools are: Adelbert College, 21,900; Cleveland College, 19,800; the School of Dentistry, 3,000; the School of Pharmacy, 2,500; the School of Nursing, 3,200; the School of Applied Social Sciences, 8,000; and the School of Architecture, 1,500.

By arrangement, magnificent collections of many other libraries are open to students at Western Reserve University. The Western Reserve Historical Society owns 400,000 volumes and 1,000,000 manuscripts of historical value, while the Museum of Art has 21,000 volumes, 26,000 photographs, 48,000 lantern slides, 27,000 post cards, and 12,000 illustrations, all of which are available to students for research and lecture purposes. The special library of the Cleveland School of Art has 6,534 volumes. The Cleveland Public Library, open to the public in general, has a total of 2,450,000 popular and reference volumes, including duplicates. Including the holdings of other libraries, there are over 3,500,000 volumes available to students at the University.

A special feature is the Cleveland Regional Union Catalog of 2,000,000 author cards, listing books, sets and serials in most of the Cleveland libraries, in the libraries of the larger colleges and universities of Ohio, and in the library of the University of Michigan. These cards are housed in the University Library and simplify the process of discovering books available through inter-library loans.

## LABORATORIES AND FIELD WORK

Western Reserve University's laboratories, devoted to many branches of science, are headed by some of the leading specialists in their fields, including internationally known authorities. Extensive laboratory facilities for the twelve departments in the School of Medicine have modern equipment for original research and clinical testing of discoveries. Outstanding among the University's specialized laboratories are those in chemistry, which have helped to give Western Reserve distinction in several fields of research. The University is one of 37 in the United States approved to grant the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry. In the laboratory of the Department of Geology there are 4,500 specimens of rocks, 3,000 minerals, 150 meteorites, and numerous maps, globes, and instruments. In the Department of Physics and Astronomy the 10½ inch Brashear refractor telescope and other astronomical instruments and apparatus for the study of modern electronics and nuclear physics, as well as a wide variety of other apparatus, assure modern instruction in the rapidly expanding physical sciences.

Biological and physiological laboratories, and the laboratories equipped for study in pharmacy, pharmacognosy, nursing, and home economics, together with the field laboratories at Squire Valleevue Farm, are well equipped for research as well as for accomodation of students. The physiological and psychological laboratories are equipped for the study of both animal and human behavior. The statistical laboratory in the School of Applied Social Sciences and the accounting laboratory of the Department of Business and Economics help prepare students for careers in these professions.

Situated in a metropolitan district of over 1,200,000 population, the University offers its students opportunities in many areas for practical experience. The district is in many respects a great and diversified laboratory. The School of Medicine is affiliated not only with the University Hospitals, but has entered into arrangements with other hospitals. Health centers and nursing associations provide field work for students of nursing and public health nursing, and the city's many welfare agencies and institutions are used to extend the experience of students in social and welfare work. For those intending to become teachers, the high quality of the public, private, and professional schools of metropolitan Cleveland give excellent opportunities for gaining the best and newest practical instruction. The high standing of the legal profession in Cleveland is a distinct advantage to students of the law, who may observe the actual processes of practice under the sponsorship system. Both the public and school libraries are well suited for field work in various types of graduate training in library science. Pharmacies and pharmaceutical houses cooperate with the University in helping students of pharmacy in their training. Business associations, manufacturing concerns, and stores work closely with the Division of Business Administration and Cleveland College in providing work for part-time students in situations where they may gain experience to supplement their studies. The clinic of the School of Dentistry attracts large numbers of patients, enabling students to gain clinical experience in all types of dental practice.

## GYMNASIUMS AND FIELDS

On the campus, separate gymnasiums and athletic fields are equipped for extensive athletic programs for both men and women. The two floors of the men's gymnasium are marked for basketball courts, one-wall handball courts, and an indoor running track. Convertible equipment permits the floors to be divided for volleyball, indoor baseball, badminton, indoor tennis, and other games. A wrestling room, a boxing room, and apparatus for all forms of exercise are available. Adjacent to the gymnasium is a large athletic field with two football gridirons, a running track, and four baseball diamonds. The women's gymnasium contains an exercise room for basketball, duck pins, shuffleboard, and badminton. In addition, there are game and exercise rooms. An athletic field a short distance from the gymnasium is used for baseball, hockey, soccer, and archery. On the campus are tennis courts and space for horseshoes and deck tennis. Bowling alleys and a swimming pool are located not far from the campus.

Physical education courses and activities for women are conducted for a four-fold purpose: to secure the most perfect physical development possible, to encourage keen enjoyment in playing games, to give every girl instruction in a variety of sports, and to direct the recreational life of the students toward activities that will maintain physical and mental health after graduation. Nineteen athletic activities are open to young women.

At the Downtown Center, the auditorium of Cleveland College is used for physical education and games.

In peace time intercollegiate or varsity athletics at the University include football, basketball, swimming, golf, tennis, and

other sports. Intramural competitions in the form of leagues and tournaments are conducted yearly in many branches of athletics. Games are scheduled both for individuals and for teams representing campus clubs, fraternities, and classes.

#### ADULT EDUCATION

Cleveland College was organized twenty years ago in recognition of the growing need for adult education. During that time it has had over 55,000 students, about 900 of whom have received college degrees. Annually most of the student body is composed of mature men and women studying in evening classes. Approximately one third of them are college graduates. Although most of the student body is qualified and registered for credit courses, many attend for the value of education itself and not primarily for a degree.

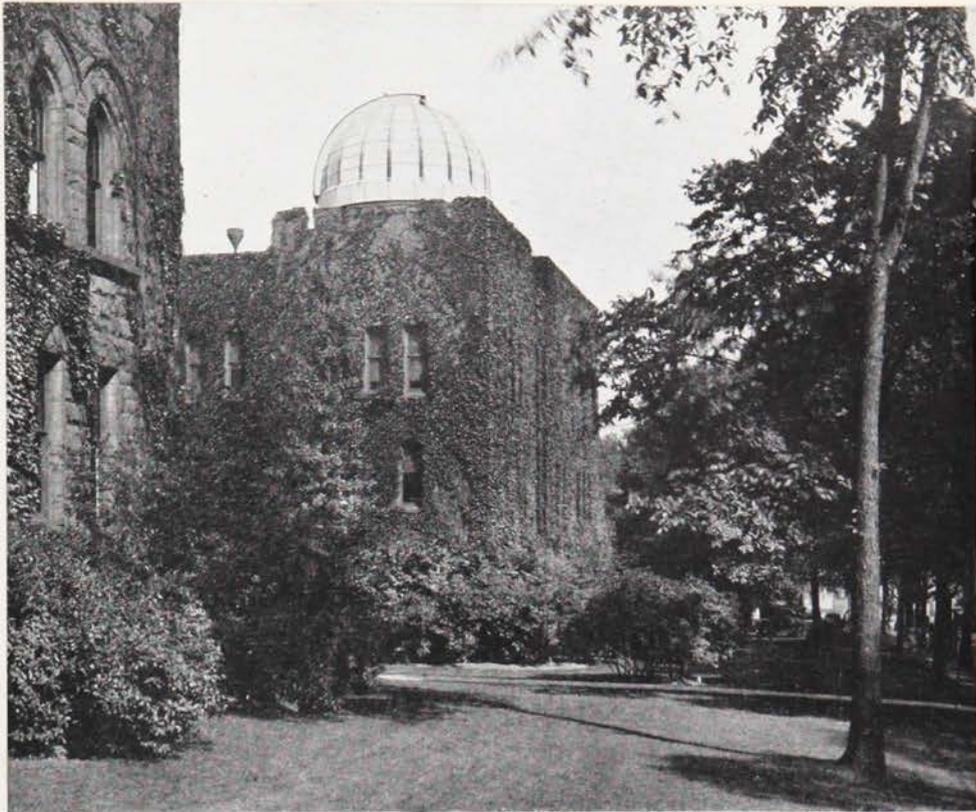
In addition, the college conducts institutes, lectures, forums, and short-term non-credit courses as part of its adult education program.

To meet the demand for adult education Cleveland College has established an evening session on the main campus.

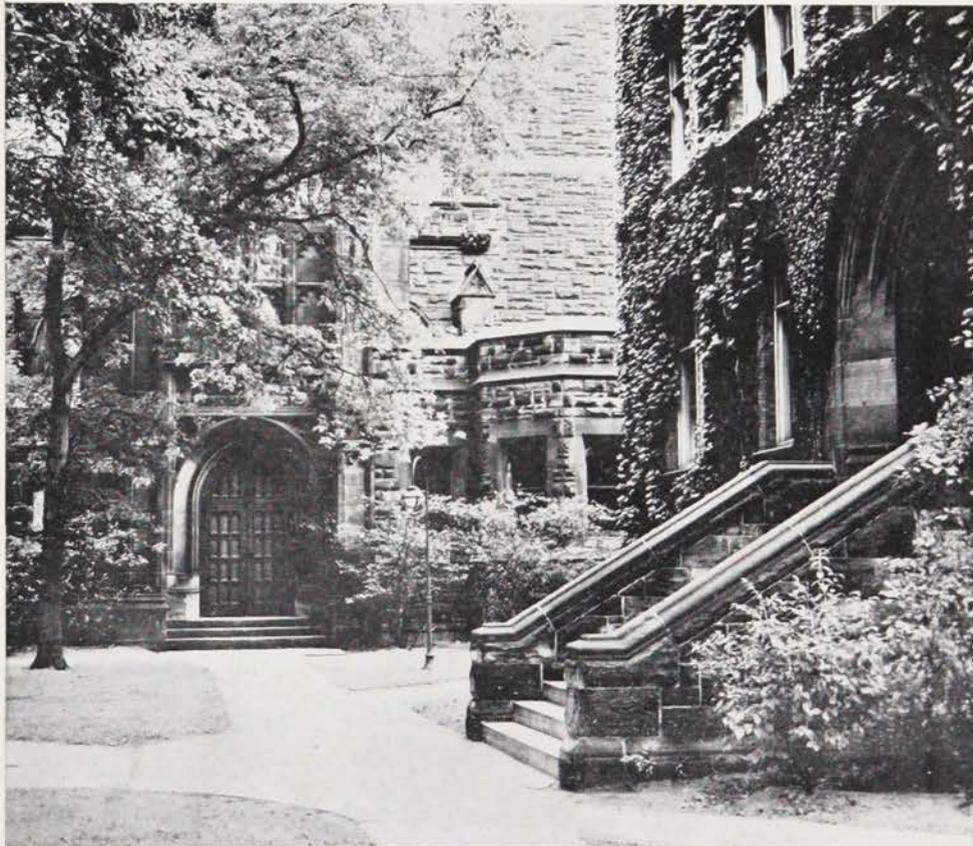


Flora Stone Mather College Main Building





THE PHYSICS BUILDING, ADELBERT COLLEGE



CLARK HALL AND FLORENCE HARKNESS CHAPEL,  
FLORA STONE MATHER COLLEGE

## ADELBERT COLLEGE

ADELBERT COLLEGE, an undergraduate liberal arts college for men, provides a broad training in the liberal arts and at the same time prepares many of its students for admission to professional schools. Graduates of the College are awarded the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, or Bachelor of Business Administration. The general course extends over four academic years.

## FLORA STONE MATHER COLLEGE

FLORA STONE MATHER COLLEGE, the undergraduate liberal arts college for women of Western Reserve University, offers to its students a variety of unusual educational opportunities leading to the degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science.

The fundamental liberal arts curriculum may include one of a number of programs designed to prepare the students for vocational as well as cultural objectives. As undergraduates, students may prepare for careers in many fields, including among others, primary or secondary education, dietetics, medical technology, scientific research, statistical research, drama, interior decoration, clothing design, journalism, or merchandising.

The graduates of Mather College have been successful in a wide variety of professional and business endeavors, various civil and social contacts, home and community interests. It is the purpose of the College to train young women for these broad responsibilities.

## THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School offers studies in the arts and sciences leading to advanced degrees.

Graduates of recognized universities and colleges who have good scholastic records, or persons with equivalent training, may be admitted. Outstanding seniors in the colleges of Western Reserve University may under certain conditions be admitted in advance of formal graduation.

The usual degrees conferred are Master of Arts, Master of Science, Master of Education, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Laws, Doctor of Juridical Science, Doctor of Education, and Doctor of Philosophy.

## THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

The School of Architecture is a professional undergraduate school for men and women accepting students directly from high schools and students who have gained additional credits from other colleges. The school offers a ten-session course, which may be completed in four or five years, depending upon the student's desire to attend summer sessions.

**Bachelor of Architecture.** Comprehensive examinations as determined by the faculty are normally required. They are given during the fourth or fifth year. The faculty reserves the right to refuse graduation for improper conduct, insufficient attendance, low grades, or similar causes.

**Master of Arts.** The Graduate School supervises graduate credit leading to the degree of Master of Arts with a major in Architecture.

The faculty advises as to requirements of the State Board of Examiners of Architects for Ohio. Students are advised to consider the advantages of meeting the requirements of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards.

## THE SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

THE SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY offers to both men and women a four-year course, which at present may be accelerated to three years. The freshman class convenes about the middle of September each year. The School also cooperates with schools of liberal arts in offering combined courses that lead to both the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Doctor of Dental Surgery.

Instruction consists of lectures, recitations, written and practical tests, and work in anatomical, bacteriological, biochemical, histological, pathological, physiological, and dental technical laboratories, as well as personal attendance and work in the clinics during the final two years. Students are admitted to clinical practice after satisfactory completion of courses in the first two academic years.

As far as possible, courses are arranged so that students may begin their clinical experience with the simpler operations and progress to more difficult ones through systematically graded steps. A definite number of operations and a satisfactory standard of proficiency are required in the junior and senior years in all lines of clinical procedure before the student is eligible for graduation.

## THE FRANKLIN THOMAS BACKUS LAW SCHOOL

The Franklin Thomas Backus Law School is a graduate professional school for men and women offering the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

The teaching of law in Western Reserve University aims at three objects: 1) knowledge of the historical development of our laws and institutions, 2) mastery of the various laws and their underlying principles, 3) power to apply these rules and principles to actual cases. Emphasis is placed on the development of the power of legal reasoning, and the case method of instruction is employed.

In addition to the subjects on which the student will be examined by State Bar Examiners, the Law School offers elective courses in the whole field of law.

The student is encouraged to make a critical analysis of existing conditions in the law with a view to attaining an intelligent approach to problems of legal reform.

## THE SCHOOL OF LIBRARY SCIENCE

THE SCHOOL OF LIBRARY SCIENCE is a graduate professional school for men and women, accredited by the Board of Education for Librarianship of the American Library Association. Fulfillment of one academic year's work leads to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Library Science (B.S. in L.S.)

The degree of Bachelor of Science in Library Science is conferred for completion of 30 credit hours of prescribed work with a minimum average of B.

## THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

The School of Medicine is a graduate professional school, training men and women for the various branches of medical practice and for medical research. It offers the degree of Doctor of Medicine, as well as opportunity for post-graduate work in the various medical fields.

The entering class is limited to 75 students in order that each student may be offered the best opportunities for laboratory facilities and clinical material. Selection of students is based upon evidence of scholarship and upon estimates of the desirability of the applicant as a future physician. Applicants under the present regulations must have at least three years of college work; they are required to take the aptitude test of the Association of American Medical Colleges and the graduate record examination of the Carnegie Foundation, except when specifically excused by the School.

The specific undergraduate course requirements are based upon the present legal requirements of most state medical boards. They consist of at least two year's work in chemistry, a year of biology, a year of physics, and a year of English, completed in institutions approved by the American Medical Association.

## THE FRANCES PAYNE BOLTON SCHOOL OF NURSING

THE FRANCES PAYNE BOLTON SCHOOL OF NURSING offers a Basic Professional Program for College Graduates leading to the degree of Master of Nursing, a Basic Professional Undergraduate Program leading to the Diploma in Nursing, and Advanced Professional Programs for

Graduate Nurses leading to the degrees of Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Master of Science in Nursing, and a Certificate in Public Health Nursing.

The school is able to offer its students extraordinary advantages of educational experience in a large city as a result of affiliations or associations with the University Hospitals, the Cleveland City Hospital, the Toledo State Hospital, the Cleveland Visiting Nurse Association, the University Public Health Nursing District, the Cleveland Division of Health, the Cleveland Public Schools, the Cleveland Associated Charities, the health programs of Cuyahoga, Lorain, Crawford, and Marion Counties, the State Department of Health, the State Department of Welfare, and health programs in industrial concerns.

#### SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

THE SCHOOL OF PHARMACY, open to men and women, operates under the General Code of Ohio, and offers a four-year course leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy. Courses for graduate credit leading to advanced degrees with a major in pharmacy are given under supervision of the Graduate School.

The School is a member of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, and is accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education. Its affiliation with University Hospitals provides excellent facilities for training in Hospital Pharmacy. The head of the Department of Pharmacy in the School of Pharmacy serves as directing Pharmacist of University Hospitals, and courses in hospital pharmacy are directed by hospital pharmacists. Students

are given opportunity to manufacture U.S.P., N.F., and special formulae products. Under direction of the Department of Pharmacognosy medicinal plants are cultivated at Squire Valleevue Farm, certain areas of which are used as field laboratories.

#### SCHOOL OF APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCES

THE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCES is a graduate professional school for men and women. It is a charter member of the American Association of Schools of Social Work. It offers two major divisions within the general field of social work: 1) Social Case Work, and 2) Group Work. Within the division of Social Case Work five special branches are offered: Child Welfare, Family Case Work, Medical Social Work, Psychiatric Social Work, and Home Economics in Social Work. Candidates for the Master's degree may also be admitted for specialization in Community Organization, Statistical Methods and Research, Social Administration, or a combination of Social Case Work and Group Work. Graduate students not seeking the degree may take individual courses upon approval of the Admission Office. In addition, institutes and special courses for staff workers in social agencies are held throughout the year at specified times.

The graduate professional degree of Master of Science in Social Administration is conferred by the University on the satisfactory completion of the basic four-semester program. A thesis is required of all candidates for the degree. A special certificate that is signed by the Dean is issued to those who complete an advanced or third-year program of specialization.



HISTORY OF CLEVELAND COLLEGE



CLEVELAND COLLEGE, DOWNTOWN CENTER OF THE UNIVERSITY



Western Reserve University  
Cleveland College, Downtown Center on Public Square

## CLEVELAND COLLEGE

CLEVELAND COLLEGE was founded in 1925. During the preceding decade there had been a growing demand for a downtown college in Cleveland similar to the type that had been developed in other large business and industrial centers. The establishment of such an institution had strongly been recommended by the Survey Commission of the Cleveland Foundation in its report on higher education in Cleveland, published in 1925.

The College was created as an independent corporation in close affiliation with Western Reserve University and Case School of Applied Science. The year after the founding it was incorporated as one of the colleges of Western Reserve University, at the same time retaining its own board of trustees. Although the corporate connection with Case School was severed in 1934, the two institutions still cooperate in matters mutually helpful to their respective student groups. In 1942 the Cleveland College Corporation was consolidated with the University corporation. An advisory committee of the University Board of Trustees now devotes itself to the special problems of Cleveland College.

The work of the College was begun in a commercial building on the northeast corner of Euclid Avenue and East Twentieth Street. In 1929 the College was moved to the former Chamber of Commerce Building

which it now occupies. This property was purchased in 1942 by the University to provide a permanent location for Cleveland College.

At the outset the college offered only evening courses in the arts and sciences, business administration, and engineering. Soon requests for day courses became so insistent that in 1927 a few courses were scheduled at morning hours. These morning classes gained rapidly in popularity, so that today complete curricula are offered in arts and sciences and in business administration at both day and evening hours. The work in engineering was transferred to Case School under the separation agreement of 1934. In February, 1936, a work-study program of cooperative education was introduced which combines college study with practical working experience under supervision.

Over the years Cleveland College has achieved a unique place for itself in the community. In a very real sense it has been a pioneer institution in promoting adult education both locally and nationally. Shortly after the outbreak of the war, Cleveland College, in keeping with the policy adopted by the University as a whole, established continuous sessions, reducing the time required for the completion of the degree program from four years to three years or less. Western Reserve University was one of a limited number of universities in the country selected by the Military Government Division of the War Department to conduct a Civil Affairs Training School. This school was centered at Cleveland College, utilizing the faculty and the resources of the entire University.

For a number of years, as a part of its service to the community, Cleveland College has offered work in cooperation with various civic and professional groups, including the Cleveland Chapter of the American Institute of Banking, the National Institute of Credit, the Cleveland Chapter of the Chartered Life Underwriters, the Cleveland Advertising Club, and the Cleveland Real Estate Board.

The College has adjusted itself to serve the veterans eligible under the special acts of Congress. It has developed courses, programs, and counseling services to help both veterans and civilians in their adjustment to changes in work and outlook.

Cleveland College, as the downtown center of Western Reserve University, is more than a college offering courses to the public; through a wide variety of services it has become an integral part of the cultural, civic, and business life of the whole community.



HISTORY OF SIGMA RHO DELTA

SIGMA RHO DELTA FRATERNITY - 1947



FRONT ROW (left to right): Dave Hope, Robert Dantio, George Spanagel, Robert Pollock, Robert Martin, James Helm, Francis French.

SECOND ROW: Walter Stepanek, Roderick McKinnon, Don Chervenak, Sigmon Comiensi, Fred Mueller, Francis Kaye, Robert Marquardt.

THIRD ROW: William Grierson, Richard Corrigan, Andrew Teklitz, John Sutula, Elmer Stetz, John Stacy, Daniel Lopatnikov, Edward Granzeier.

FOURTH ROW: Ronald Donovan, Harry Rees, John Wathen, Robert Gaynor, Milton Fredrickson, Nicholas Lesko, Fred Schoditsch.

NOT PICTURED: Robert Shirley, Kenneth Stark, Joel Rudd, Larry Brenders, Thomas Cleary.

## SIGMA RHO DELTA FRATERNITY

The formation of Sigma Rho Delta Fraternity was the inevitable result of the association of active, public-spirited minds. Its founders, through daily contact in the affairs of student life that give college training a humanistic as well as a factual aspect, naturally tended to rely on one another for intellectual stimulation. Mutual interest in the advancement of student government, entertainment, and service to the student body knit them into a compact, if unofficial, group. The step up to the status of an organized society was an easy and natural one, and so, in December of 1937, the fraternity began its life. It was the first fraternity at Cleveland College and throughout its career has easily maintained the reputation of dignity and high standard that belong to a pioneer organization.

A chronological history of Sigma Rho Delta, as contained in its official book of minutes and the records of its historians, gives only the month-by-month progress of the fraternity. For a true evaluation of the fraternity's growth, the personal development of each Brother would have to be scrutinized with painstaking care. A tremendous task indeed, if all the subtle nuances of progress in each man's character were to be considered.

Suffice it to say that each one of its members, both past and

present, will readily attest the progressive influence toward good that close association with fellow Sigma Rho Deltans has developed within him. The benefits a man derives from contact with a fraternity group cannot be measured in any standard terms. Nor can a full appreciation of these benefits be stated.

We are only given casual, infrequent glimpses into our present state of development. It is, therefore, in the realm of future time that we must look before we can say just what factor contributed to this advancement or what specific circumstance led to that success. Rather are the past and present influences vaguely felt and appreciated and then evaluated as good or bad.

We who are members of Sigma Rho Delta, testify that we have derived beneficial stimulation from our participation in the growth of the fraternity. We base our testimony, not on any demonstrable phenomena or recordable event, but on an inner sense which, although not defineable, is nevertheless reliable enough in our minds to allow us to offer it as evidence.

One singular event deserves mention in this statement. It is the Fourth Anniversary Dinner held on December 7, 1941. This banquet was to mark a turning point in Sigma Rho Delta's history but as it turned out, a very different result was realized than that which was originally planned.

Preliminary arrangements for entrance into Delta Sigma Pi

had been completed and Mr. H. W. Wright, Grand Secretary-Treasurer of the national fraternity, was on hand to outline the final procedure.

The meeting was interrupted by the announcement of the Pearl Harbor disaster. Negotiations were dropped immediately and shortly afterward Sigma Rho Delta was deactivated for the duration of the war. In March of 1946, with the return of the majority of its members, the fraternity was revived and contact established with Delta Sigma Pi.



Mr. J. C. ... Age: 21  
 1125 East 12th St., Cleveland, Ohio  
 Birth: August 27, 1895  
 Birthplace: Cleveland, Ohio  
 Education: College of Arts, Case  
 1918  
 Religion: Catholic  
 Present Address: 1125 East 12th St.  
 Date: June 1921  
 Position: Junior Chemist  
 Employer: East ...  
 College: Case ...  
 Date: January 25, 1921  
 Previous Activities: ...



**STATISTICS ON ACTIVE MEMBERS**





































Name: Fred P. Mueller

Age: 24

Home Address: 3404 West 117th Street, Cleveland, Ohio

Date of Birth: November 13, 1922

Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio

Color of Hair: Brown

Color of Eyes: Blue

Weight: 150 lbs

Height: 5 ft, 11 inches

Nationality: American

Religion: Catholic

Graduate of: John Marshall High School

Class of: January 1941

Name of Father: Fred C. Mueller

Mother's Name:

Cleveland College Status: Senior

Date of Initiation: May 1941

Extra-curricular Activities: Sigma Rho Delta Fraternity;

Treasurer, Junior Class.





Name: Harry D. Rees, Jr. Age: 27  
Home Address: 1509 Bidwell Ave., Rocky River, Ohio  
Date of Birth: September 29, 1919  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Hair: Brown Color of Eyes: Blue  
Weight: 195 lbs Height: 6 ft, 1 inch  
Nationality: American Religion: Catholic  
Graduate of: Rocky River High School, Rocky River, Ohio  
Class of: 1938  
Name of Father: Harry D. Rees  
Name of Mother: Esther M. Duggan  
Cleveland College Status: Junior  
Date of Initiation: August 18, 1946  
Extra-curricular Activities: Sigma Rho Delta Fraternity;  
Publicity Chairman, Sophomore Class





















Name: John B. Wathen, Jr. Age: 26  
Home Address: 1777 Wickford Road, Cleveland, Ohio  
Date of Birth: March 27, 1920  
Place of Birth: Louisville, Kentucky  
Color of Hair: Brown Color of Eyes: Brown  
Weight: 190 lbs Height: 6 ft, 3 inches  
Nationality: American Religion: Protestant  
Graduate of: South Side School, Memphis, Tennessee  
Class of: 1938  
Name of Father: John B. Wathen  
Name of Mother: Augusta Oeltjen  
Cleveland College Status: Sophomore  
Date of Initiation: January 19, 1947  
Extra-curricular Activities: Sigma Rho Delta Fraternity





Name: Richard Guyon Age: 28  
Date of Birth: June 1, 1918  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Blue Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 160 lbs Height: 5 ft, 11 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Christian Scientist  
Graduate of: James Ford Rhodes High School  
Father's Name: Michael Guyon  
Mother's Name: Dzion  
Cleveland College Class of: June 1941  
Date of Initiation: Charter Member

Name: Edward D. Landers Age: 30  
Date of Birth: November 5, 1916  
Place of Birth: Kansas City, Missouri  
Color of Eyes: Blue Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 156 lbs Height: 6 ft  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Presbyterian  
Graduate of: Soldan High School, St. Louis, Missouri  
Father's Name: Louis H. Landers  
Mother's Name: Ladye E. Holiday  
Cleveland College Class of: 1939  
Date of Initiation: Charter Member





Name: Frank A. Lauer Age: 30  
Date of Birth: April 16, 1916  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Blue Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 155 lbs Height: 5 ft, 8 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Protestant  
Graduate of: West High School  
Father's Name: Michael Lauer  
Mother's Name: Jane Prass  
Cleveland College Class of: 1940  
Date of Initiation: May 13, 1938

Name: Robert C. Jones Age: 27  
Date of Birth: December 11, 1919  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Blue Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 165 lbs Height: 5 ft, 10 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Protestant  
Graduate of: Lakewood High School, Lakewood, Ohio  
Father's Name: Robert T. Jones  
Mother's Name: Elsie Asson  
Cleveland College Class of:  
Date of Initiation: Spring 1939

Name: Paul R. Lambert Age: 25  
Date of Birth: August 13, 1921  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Brown Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 170 lbs Height: 5 ft, 10 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Protestant  
Graduate of: Shaw High School  
Father's Name: Benjamin F. Lambert  
Mother's Name: Adeline Roberts  
Cleveland College Class of: 1943  
Date of Initiation: January 2, 1942

Name: James W. Gould Age: 25  
Date of Birth: July 4, 1921  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Blue Color of Hair: Blond  
Weight: 160 lbs Height: 5 ft, 9 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Protestant  
Graduate of: Collinwood High School  
Father's Name: S. G. Gould  
Mother's Name: Hazel R. Backus  
Cleveland College Class of: June 1943  
Date of Initiation: January 1943



Name: Angelo T. Pournaras Age: 29  
Date of Birth: January 18, 1918  
Place of Birth: Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Color of Eyes: Brown Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 180 lbs Height: 5 ft, 11 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Greek Orthodox  
Graduate of: East Technical High School, Cleveland, Ohio  
Father's Name: Theodore Pournaras  
Mother's Name: Georgia Chafouros  
Cleveland College Class of: 1941  
Date of Initiation: Charter Member

Name: Neil S. Schart Age: 29  
Date of Birth: October 30, 1917  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Blue Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 175 lbs Height: 6 ft, 1 inch  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Protestant  
Graduate of: East Technical High School  
Father's Name: William L. Schart  
Mother's Name: Jessie Torry  
Cleveland College Class of: 1943  
Date of Initiation: Charter Member

Name: James T. Ryan Age: 25  
Date of Birth: January 17, 1922  
Place of Birth: Reno, Nevada  
Color of Eyes: Brown Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 153 lbs Height: 5 ft, 9 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Catholic  
Graduate of: Oneida High School, Oneida, New York  
Father's Name: William J. Ryan  
Mother's Name: Genevieve Hogan  
Cleveland College Class of: September 1946  
Date of Initiation: May 12, 1941

Name: Hyatt P. DeGreen Age: 23  
Date of Birth: January 24, 1923  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Grey Color of Hair, Brown  
Weight: 165 lbs Height: 5 ft, 10 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Methodist  
Graduate of: Bedford High School, Bedford, Ohio  
Father's Name: Peter DeGreen  
Mother's Name: Julia Thieret  
Cleveland College Class of: 1944  
Date of Initiation: January 2, 1942

Name: John Salechuk Age: 27  
Date of Birth: May 28, 1919  
Place of Birth: Sagamore, Pennsylvania  
Color of Eyes: Green Color of Hair: Brown  
Weight: 190 lbs Height: 6 ft  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Greek Catholic Orthodox  
Graduate of: Lincoln High School, Cleveland, Ohio  
Father's Name: Michael Salechuk  
Mother's Name: Helen Patchen  
Cleveland College Class of: 1947  
Date of Initiation: 1941

Name: John B. Stacy Age: 24  
Date of Birth: August 13, 1922  
Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio  
Color of Eyes: Grey Color of Hair: Black  
Weight: 145 lbs Height: 5 ft, 9 inches  
Nationality: American  
Religion: Catholic  
Graduate of: Lakewood High School, Lakewood, Ohio  
Father's Name: Joseph Stacy  
Mother's Name: Mae Lucille Baron  
Cleveland College Class of: 1947  
Date of Initiation: May 12, 1946

Name: Richard E. Corrigan

Age: 25

Date of Birth: February 27, 1921

Place of Birth: Cleveland, Ohio

Color of Eyes: Blue

Color of Hair: Brown

Weight: 160 lbs

Height: 6 ft

Nationality: American

Religion: Catholic

Graduate of: John Marshall High School

Father's Name: William Corrigan

Mother's Name: Kilrain

Cleveland College Class of:

Date of Initiation: May 12, 1946

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Subscribe our names to this petition.

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Donald L. ...

James B. ...

William ...

James ...



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March 14, 1949

Mr. [Name]  
[Address]  
[City]  
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Dear Mr. [Name],

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LETTERS OF COMMENDATION

CLEVELAND COLLEGE  
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY  
CLEVELAND 14, OHIO

HERBERT C. HUNSAKER  
DEAN

March 14, 1947

Mr. Henry G. Wright  
Delta Sigma Pi  
222 W. Adams Street  
Chicago, 6, Illinois

Dear Brother Wright:

As you know, Sigma Rho Delta, our local fraternity at Cleveland College, for many years has been interested in meeting the qualifications for membership in Delta Sigma Pi. We are now convinced that the present membership is organized on such a basis that its application merits serious consideration.

You may recall that shortly after I came to Cleveland in 1941 a committee representing the international fraternity talked with our local fraternity and the officers of the college about the possibility of their affiliation at that time. As you are well aware, shortly thereafter we were at war and in our institution as well as others most fraternities became inactive. It was not until the spring of 1946 that Sigma Rho Delta had enough active members in college to warrant its reorganization. They inducted eight new members that spring, twelve during the summer session, and last fall they initiated ten new members and had a total of thirty-two in their active membership. This spring they have pledged twelve additional members.

This group of young men over a period of years has demonstrated its high quality in its membership and its stability in organization. On the basis of this record we of the faculty and the administration believe that Sigma Rho Delta will, as a local fraternity, gain greatly by their affiliation with Delta Sigma Pi. We are equally confident that ultimately the prestige and strength of the international fraternity will be greatly enhanced by accepting our local fraternity into its membership.

I sincerely hope that this application of Sigma Rho Delta for membership in Delta Sigma Pi will be acted upon favorably.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

*Herbert C. Hunsaker*

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CLEVELAND COLLEGE  
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March 5, 1947

Mr. H. G. Wright  
Grand Secretary-Treasurer  
Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity  
222 W. Adams Street  
Chicago 6, Illinois

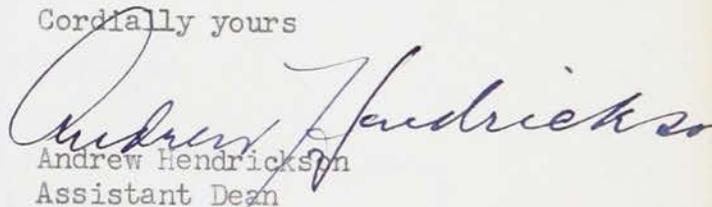
Dear Mr. Wright:

This letter is to support formally the application of Sigma Rho Delta Fraternity to become affiliated as a Cleveland College chapter of your national fraternity.

I can recommend this group of students individually and collectively in very high terms. Of course you understand that Cleveland College is a city college, and fraternities might operate on a somewhat different basis here than in campus colleges, but I am sure that this group fulfills in all major ways the chief functions of a college fraternity. Also, because many of these students combine work with their study program, they may not in some cases be able to achieve the high degree of scholarship that members of campus fraternities sometimes achieve. However, all of the members must, in order to maintain their chapter privileges in Cleveland College, keep their scholastic achievement at or above a "C" average. Many of them have "A" and "B" averages. Whatever loss might be sustained through this combination of work and study on the part of some members is, I am sure, more than offset by the high degree of maturity and practical experience which is gained through this process.

To summarize, I take pleasure in recommending to you this excellent group of interested, responsible, hard working, and likable young men, majoring in Business Administration at Cleveland College.

Cordially yours

  
Andrew Hendricks  
Assistant Dean

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WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY  
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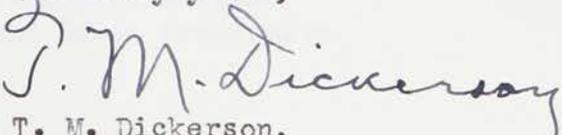
Dear Mr. Wright:

It is my understanding that one of our local fraternities, Sigma Rho Delta, has applied for admission as a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi. Sigma Rho Delta is a local fraternity which was organized here about 1936, and now has thirty-two active members and about sixty on the inactive list, many of whom have indicated that they will become active again if the group is accepted as a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi. I know quite a few of the members of this fraternity and they are excellent young men.

In establishing new chapters of Delta Sigma Pi, I am sure you are interested in knowing something about the faculty and the student body in the institution which is applying for the charter. At the present time we are organized as a Division of Business Administration rather than a separate school because in the past we have felt that the curriculum could be better administered under this type of organization. However, we are planning to establish a separate School of Business within a short time. We have twenty or more full-time teaching staff and a large number of part-time instructors who are drawn out of business and the professions to teach some of our evening classes. We have a total of more than 4,000 students taking courses in Business Administration, about 1,600 of whom are full-time students. We grant the degrees of Bachelor of Business Administration and Master of Business Administration, providing majors in General Business, Accounting, Banking and Finance, Industrial Organization and Management, Marketing and Merchandising, or Secretarial Science.

A chapter of Delta Sigma Pi in Western Reserve University should be a very good chapter because of the interest of both teachers and students. I hope that your Grand Council will see fit to approve the petition of this group of fine young men.

Sincerely yours,



T. M. Dickerson,  
Director, Division of  
Business Administration

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P.S. At the present time I happen to be a member of the Grand Council of Beta Alpha Psi.

T.M.D.

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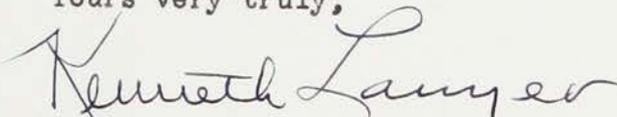
Sigma Rho Delta represents a well-selected group of Cleveland College students, most of them Business Administration majors. As I look down the list of their membership during the past year, I would say that they are for the most part better than average students.

When measured in terms of student activities they are really outstanding. Among their workers are included various class officers, publications editors, and athletic leaders. Their social parties have been open to the entire college, have set a high standard, and they have cooperated heartily in staging all college affairs.

In the field of business, they have done a number of interesting things. Speakers on business topics have appeared before their group and under their sponsorship before other college groups. Their newest venture is an exhibition of "Better Printing for Better Merchandising" which will attract entries from all over the United States.

In my opinion they have a strong background of scholarship, college activities, and proven interest in the study of business. I consider them excellent candidates for a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi.

Yours very truly,



Kenneth Lawyer, Advisor  
Sigma Rho Delta Fraternity

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