

About

The National Honor Society in International Studies was established in 1985, and welcomed the University of California, Irvine chapter, designated Gamma Gamma on November 30, 2006. The Gamma Gamma chapter was established primarily as a means by which to honor those students at UC Irvine who have excelled in academics and demonstrated a passion for world affairs.

“Membership in Sigma Iota Rho is intended not only to enhance the credentials of its members but is meant to encourage a life-long devotion to a better understanding of the world we live in and to continuing support for and engagement in education, service, and occupational activities that reflect the mission of Sigma Iota Rho.”

Frank Plantan, Ph.D.

National Director & President of SIR



Membership Requirements

- ✓ Junior or Senior standing
- ✓ Sophomores may be eligible for adjunct membership
- ✓ Completed course work in international studies
- ✓ Attained a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher and at least a 3.3 in International Studies major
- ✓ Junior college or undergraduate transcripts required

Benefits

- ✓ Meet students interested in exploring the world and establish a network
- ✓ Participate in group discussions and events chosen by membership
- ✓ Graduation honor stole and pin
- ✓ Certificate of membership
- ✓ Opportunity to submit research paper to Journal of International Relations
- ✓ Ability as members to apply for research and travel grants



Our Members



The Gamma Gamma chapter currently has 10 members and average GPA of 3.53. We come together to share our unique perspectives from various field of social science on global events. As International Studies majors, our participation in the Gamma Gamma chapter strengthens our commitment to the vision of a peaceful global community and our university. Other fields of study include economics, management, humanities, linguistics and many more.

“Diplomacy is the art of letting someone have your way”

-D. Vare

Mission

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote and reward scholarship and service among students and practitioners of international studies, international affairs, and global studies and to foster integrity and creative performance in the conduct of world affairs.

Sigma Iota Rho is meant to encourage a life-long commitment to a better understanding of the world. Members believe in an education that suits a globalized society to make the world a better place as a student and a professional. *"Think globally, act locally."*

Crest

The crest of the society draws heavily on the meaning behind the three Greek letters that form its name. Sigma stands for "synesis," meaning prudence, iota for "ideodoi," meaning ideals, and "rho" for "rhomi," meaning power.



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Deadline

12:00pm, February 14, 2014
Applications available at SBSG 1501 or
email us at sir@mail.ss.uci.edu