Applications are invited for Omicron Delta Kappa’s

**Paul N. Derring Scholarship**

The Alpha Omicron Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society invites applications for the prestigious Paul N. Derring Scholarship, recognizing outstanding leadership and service by a member of the *current* sophomore class (Class of 2020). A scholarship of $4000 will be awarded for the 2018-2019 academic year to the individual selected.

The scholarship, presented at the spring O∆K initiation ceremony, honors Paul N. Derring, former executive secretary of the YMCA Program and eminent figure of the university. Under his leadership for nearly half a century, the YMCA served as a center for campus life programming. Mr. Derring also served the university as its coordinator of religious, cultural and recreational affairs, exhibited a strong interest in student life, and served for many years as the faculty advisor to the Alpha Omicron Circle.

**Eligibility and Criteria:** Applicants for the scholarship should possess impeccable character and have exhibited leadership in one or more of the following areas recognized by Ο∆Κ:

\* Scholarship

\* Campus, Government, Local and Religious Affairs

\* Publications

\* Performing Arts

\* Athletics

A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 is required for applicants to be considered.

**Recognition:** Presentation of the award will be given at the ODK Spring Induction Ceremony in Late April. The $4000 scholarship will be credited to the recipient’s student account in $2000 payments for the Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 semesters.

**Application Components:**

* Applicant Information (see below)
* Essay (500 words or less) describing your most significant leadership role or accomplishment as it pertains to one of the above 5 areas recognized by Ο∆K.
* Resume or Curriculum Vita.
* One letter of recommendation sent on your behalf from a faculty member or administrator.

Applications are due electronically **by 5:00pm Friday,** **March 23rd, 2018** to **dlghokie@vt.edu.** Components of the application should be submitted electronically as Word file attachments in one email, with the subject of your e-mail being “Derring Scholarship”. Reference letters should be sent on your behalf. For more information, please contact **Danielle Garrett at dlghokie@vt.edu**

**Paul N. Derring Scholarship Application**

**Applicant Information:**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Local/Campus Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Academic Year/Anticipated Graduation Class: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Major/Minor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Short Answer:**

Please provide a list of your extracurricular activities and ways you display leadership in this organizations/positions:

**Reference Information:**

Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Reference E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Reference Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please ask your reference to submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf to **dlghokie@vt.edu.** We ask that the recommendation letter emphasize specific reasons the reference feels the applicant is deserving of this recognition.