Dear MSU Student:

The Montana State University chapter of The Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity is offering their Spring Balanced Leader Scholarship to all freshman and sophomore students of Montana State University! *Four scholarships totaling $2000 will be given away to students who exemplify SigEp’s ideals of a balanced lifestyle exhibiting Leadership, Sound Mind and Sound Body.*

SigEp believes in living a Balanced Life through Sound Mind and Sound Body. Learning to balance extracurricular activities and academics is a great example of this theory in action. A student who is able to practice stability in their life, we feel, will be better equipped to deal with the demands of college life. Recognizing these students who exhibit balance and all around excellence is one way to promote these ideals. Therefore, we are offering this series of Balanced Leader Scholarships to freshman MSU students who have excelled in the development of a Sound Mind and Sound Body.

To qualify, you must be a freshman or sophomore undergraduate who is not affiliated with a Fraternity or Sorority and is attending Montana State University in the Spring of 2015. To apply, complete and return the application to:

Balanced Leader Scholarship  
Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity  
1717 Greek Way Apt. A  
Bozeman, MT 59715

Or email applications to:  
sigep.msu.bl@gmail.com

Applying for the Balanced Leader Scholarship in no way obligates you to join SigEp.

Applications must be received by January 9th, 2015. Should you have any questions with regard to the Balanced Leader Scholarship, please contact Cody Oswalt (503-351-6115) or Daniel Aylesworth (406-239-5051) or email sigep.msu.bl@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Cody Oswalt and Daniel Aylesworth  
Balanced Leader Scholarship Chairs
Sigma Phi Epsilon
Balanced Leader Scholarship Overview

After the applications have been reviewed, a number of finalists will be selected and notified via email and phone. The finalists will then be interviewed for further evaluation. Upon completion of the interviews, a series of events hosted by SigEp, which are entirely free for the finalists, will take place to allow the finalists as well as the scholarship administrators to get to know each other in a relaxed environment. Although attendance for any of the events is not required, these events constitute additional opportunities to interact and connect with your fellow leaders and scholarship administrators. Once the events come to a close, we will be holding an awards banquet to announce the winners. Attire is business casual.

We would like to conduct the scholarship interviews around the first week of the fall semester. If you are unable to have your interview at this time, we will find an alternative time to conduct your interview with you.

About Sigma Phi Epsilon – MT Beta RLC

The Montana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon was originally founded on April 22, 1961. In 1984, the SigEp house at Montana State University was closed due to low membership. The Montana SEC (Sigma Epsilon Colony) was started again in 2002, and after receiving its charter in October 2010 the chapter now has 54 undergraduate members. The Montana Beta Chapter has received local recognition as the 2011 Fraternity of the Year at MSU, as well as national recognition as SigEp’s Chapter Home of the Year for the three of the past four years in our 27 chapter region. In addition, Montana Beta chapter has received national recognition for outstanding success in academics, membership development, and continued alumni support. The Montana Beta Chapter is unique among the fraternities at MSU in being a completely dry fraternity. In addition, there is no live-in requirement for members and no pledge system for new members. The chapter also earned a cumulative 3.54 GPA in the Spring of 2013, which was the highest among all Greek organizations on campus in addition to having then second highest GPA’s of all SigEp chapters nationally.

The Montana Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon at MSU also was designated as a Residential Learning Community (RLC) in February of 2011. Sigma Phi Epsilon established the RLC program in 2000 to recognize chapters with a powerful learning environment. Out of 232 SigEp chapters nationwide; only 55 chapters have received this distinction. A key component of the RLC program at Montana Beta is Dr. Brian Kassar, a live-in faculty fellow who provides assistance and guidance to members and their academic careers. The chapter provides study areas and designated study hours as a part of the RLC distinction. For the chapters RLC efforts, it received a grant of $9,300 in August of 2013 to further its developmental academic programs.

If you would like to learn more about our chapter/SigEp, feel free to visit our website at montana.edu/sigep or visit our national website at sigep.org.
Sigma Phi Epsilon – Montana Beta RLC
Balanced Leader Scholarship
(Application is to be typed or legibly written)

Basic Information:
Please list your most current information regarding:

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Gender: __________________________________________________________

Home City: ___________ Home State: ________________ Phone: ____________

Email Address: ____________________________________________________

Birth Date (DD/MM/YYYY): __________________________________________

Academic year (Term Year): __________________________________________

Scholastic Information:
Please list your most current information regarding:

High School Name: _________________________________________________

Cumulative H.S. or College GPA (if applicable, un-weighted, 4.0 scale): __________

ACT Score: __________________________ SAT Score: __________________________

Intended Major: ____________________________________________________________

All applications will be reviewed and scholarship finalists will be selected. All finalists will be interviewed as part of the scholarship selection process. If selected as a finalist, will you be able to be interviewed during the first week of the fall semester? If you are unable to be interviewed during the first week of school, a makeup interview at a later date will be coordinated.

Yes _______________ No _______________
Leadership, Service and Achievement Information:

Extracurricular Activities and Leadership Positions Held:

Community Service:

Honors, Awards, Scholarships:

Interests or Hobbies:

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I, ________________________ certify, under penalty of disqualification, that the above and attached information is true to the extent of my knowledge at this time.

Signature of Applicant:______________________________ Date:________________________