



Nu Lambda Mu International Honors Society

Frequently Asked Questions

Does my Master’s Degree/Concentration/Graduate Certificate qualify as a “nonprofit, philanthropy, and/or social enterprise/entrepreneurship related program”?

Simply put, if the title of your master’s degree, concentration, or certificate contains the words “nonprofit,” “philanthropy,” “social enterprise,” and/or “social entrepreneurship,” your program likely qualifies.

Examples include but are not limited to:

- *Masters of Nonprofit Organizations*
- *Masters of Philanthropic Studies*
- *Masters of Public Administration with a Concentration in Nonprofit Management*

Candidates whose degrees are in public service or related programs will likely be required to provide a brief narrative on how your program directly correlates with the field of nonprofit and/or philanthropy.

If you are unsure if your program qualifies, contact Erin Vokes, Executive Director, at e.vokes@csuohio.edu.

Do I really need to have 100% of the coursework for my graduate certificate completed in order to be eligible?

If you are not specifically enrolled in a nonprofit and/or philanthropy master’s degree program, or if you are not enrolled in a master’s degree program with a nonprofit and/or philanthropy concentration, you must have all of your nonprofit/philanthropy graduate certificate coursework completed at the time of your application.

In other words, if your only academic connection to nonprofit and/or philanthropy is via a nonprofit and/or philanthropy graduate certificate, you must have all of the coursework needed to earn the certificate completed at the time of your application.

If you are currently enrolled in any coursework required to obtain the nonprofit/philanthropy graduate certificate at the time of your application, you are not eligible for the honors society at this time. >



If you will not have this coursework completed until after you have graduated, you are permitted to apply for the honors society after you have graduated.

I have 49% (or less) of my coursework completed for my nonprofit/philanthropy related Master's Degree and/or Concentration? Can I apply now?

Not yet. You must wait for the next application cycle during the following semester to apply, as your GPA and other credentials may change between now and then. We offer two enrollment cycles per year—one during the fall semester, and one during the spring semester.

Do you allow rounding when determining if the 3.7 GPA requirement is met?

We may make exceptions if your GPA is very close to the 3.7 mark (e.g. 3.65 or above). If your GPA is between 3.65—3.69, please contact Erin Vokes, Executive Director, at e.vokes@csuohio.edu to confirm if you would be eligible.

Where should I have my honors cords and certificate mailed if I am accepted?

Please note that the address you provide on your application is the address to where we will ship your materials.

You have two options:

A) Personal/Residential Address

If you have more than one personal address, be sure to use the one where you will be residing at the time the materials will be shipped (if the Spring semester, materials will be shipped in April). This method is the most secure. However, you will then need to give your certificate to your graduate advisor or NACC Representative if you wish to have the certificate presented to you at your awards ceremony. >



B) Your College/University

Contact your graduate advisor and/or NACC Representative to see if your program has an awards ceremony. If you would like your certificate and honors cords to be presented to you at your awards ceremony, we recommend you have your materials shipped to your university. **Please check with your college or university's mail room before you subscribe to this option. Some universities do not accept packages on behalf of students. Also, materials shipped to universities tend to get misplaced, so please do contact your university's mailroom to ensure the address you provide to us is correct and will reach you.**

Is the application fee refundable?

Unfortunately, the application is **not** refundable under any circumstance. If you apply for membership into the honors society and you are not eligible for induction, we cannot issue you a refund. Please thoroughly review the eligibility requirements and this FAQ guide before you apply to ensure you are eligible for induction.

Do you offer scholarships to help pay for the application fee?

Unfortunately, we do not offer financial assistance at this time.

I don't remember if I paid my application fee yet. What should I do?

Please contact Erin Vokes, Executive Director, at e.vokes@csuohio.edu. We cannot offer refunds under any circumstance, so please do not submit a duplicate payment.

How do I find out if my program is a NACC Member?

You can find a list of our current membership here: <http://www.nonprofit-academic-centers-council.org/member-centers/> >



Please note that we have several new members that are not yet reflected on that list. If you believe your university is a member but it does not appear on our list, please contact Erin Vokes, Executive Director, at e.vokes@csuohio.edu and she can confirm if your program is a member.

How do I find the name of my NACC Member Representative?

You can find the name of your NACC Representative here:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/569409d24bf11844ad28ed01/t/59b1bc41c534a51038ffca53/1504820289795/NACC-Member-Representatives-Fall-2017.pdf>

I've applied! Now what?

Once you've applied, the duty is on you to ensure your academic advisor or your NACC Representative verifies the information you have provided. We cannot make a determination on your eligibility until your advisor or representative has confirmed that your credentials are as described. We recommend you forward them the confirmation email you receive immediately after your application has been submitted.

We will not necessarily contact you by email to notify you if you have been accepted into the honors society. If you have been inducted, you should receive your honors cords and certificate at least one week before your graduation date.

If you submit an application and we determine that you are not eligible, or if we require additional information from you to make a decision, we will notify you by email.

When will I receive my honor cords and certificate?

We ship out certificates and honors cords two weeks after the application process has ended; materials should arrive at the address you provided on your application at least one week in advance of your graduation date.