

What's in it for me?

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International (DKG) is a professional honor society for key women educators. We have approximately 82,000 members in 17 countries.

<https://www.dkg.org/>

DKG offers members opportunities in

- professional development,
- leadership training,
- scholarships and grants,
- networking with educators around the world,
- fellowship and learning locally, regionally, statewide and nationwide;
- forums for presenting and publishing, and
- professional conferences and conventions.

Professional Development

The Lucile Cornet Award funds professional development, including participation in conferences, seminars, lecture series, national certification, online courses, workshops and other non-degree programs that relate specifically to an applicant's professional aspirations and/or current educational assignment. Special emphasis is placed on granting awards to early-career and second educational career educators.

<http://dkgef.org/awards.html>

Leadership Training

The Golden Gift Fund <https://www.dkg.org/content/brochure-golden-gift-fund> supports members to attend the International Leadership Management Seminar to develop member leadership, communication and management skills. Application deadline is Dec. 1, 2015 for the summer 2016 seminar. <https://www.dkg.org/content/leadership-management-seminar-application-information>

Eunah Temple Holden Leadership Fund pays for members to develop professional and Society leadership skills. <https://www.dkg.org/content/brochure-eunah-temple-holden-leadership-fund>

Jesslyn McBride Mu State Leadership/Growth held in Lake Mary, Florida, three days each June. Application deadline: May 1. <http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/committee-forms--reports.html>

Mu State Fall Workshop held in Lake Mary, Florida, two days each September. Members can present and attend workshops. Deadline to submit a workshop proposal: July 31. <http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com>

Scholarships and Grants

International Scholarships of \$6,000 for master's degrees and \$10,000 for doctorates are awarded annually to as many as 30 Delta Kappa Gamma members. The Society has awarded \$4,611,500.00 to 1,073 members since the international scholarship program began in 1940. Feb. 1, 2016, is the application deadline for funding 2016-2017.

Scholarships <https://www.dkg.org/content/brochure-international-scholarship>
<https://www.dkg.org/content/2016-international-scholarship-application-form>

The Emergency Fund awards assistance to members who have sustained loss due to natural catastrophic disasters. Recipients are recommended by chapter and state organization presidents. <https://www.dkg.org/content/brochure-emergency-fund>

Mu State Scholarships offered annually to members pursuing graduate study. Amounts range from \$50 to \$2,500. Applicant must be active member in good standing for minimum of three years; must be enrolled in a graduate program of an accredited institution of higher learning, preferably masters or doctoral degree; must provide evidence of contributions to chapter, Mu State, and DKG Society International; and must provide evidence of excellence in scholarship and community service. Mu State annual scholarships: Past Presidents' Scholarship, Mu State Founders' Scholarship, Martha Robertson Harris Scholarship in Southern History, Mu State Scholarship(s); biennial: Margaret Boutelle Scholarship, Eunah Temple Holden Scholarship, Dorothy Oliver Scholarship. Application deadline Jan. 15. Contact Beverly.Kelley@mchsi.com.
http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/uploads/5/0/6/9/5069437/mu_state_scholarship_brochure15_17.pdf

Sara Lavinia de Keni Memorial Fund may pay expenses annually up to \$2,000 for members to attend the U.S. Forum Legislative Seminar in Washington, D.C. (Mu State Bylaws, L. Special Funds b. (1))

Gilkey Fund may defray expenses (\$500) of members (with prior approval) to perform special duties such as coordination of out-of-state functions. (Mu State Bylaws, L. Special Funds 3. a.)

Big Bend Scholarship/Mary Woodbery Scholarship given to a Society member from the five Big Bend chapters who is pursuing a graduate degree. An applicant must have been an active, contributing chapter member for at least three years. It is desirable that they have held office. Amounts of the award vary. Applications may be secured by contacting Big Bend Coordinating Council, Sharon Simmon, sharonteacher49@yahoo.com.

Big Bend Chapters Grants-in-Aid given to undergraduates in the field of education who have shown promise. In the last few years, grants-in-aid have been given to mature students who are returning to complete their degrees. Applications for this scholarship may be secured by contacting Big Bend Coordinating Council, Sharon Simmon, sharonteacher49@yahoo.com.

Awards

The Educators Book Award (\$2,500) is an annual award that recognizes educational research and writings of women authors whose work may influence the direction of thought and action necessary to meet the needs of today's complex society.

<https://www.dkg.org/content/guidelines-governing-educators-award#node-3576>

Sara B. Ferguson Mu State Achievement Award is the highest honor given to a Mu State member for her service to the DKG Mu State Organization.

<http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/mu-state-sarah-b-ferguson-achievement-award-recipients.html>

Mu State Media Friend of Education recognizes a journalist or media professional who has reported professionally on education issues in Florida.

<http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/committee-forms--reports.html>

Mu State Legislative Friend of Education recognizes a legislator who has been a friend to Education in Florida. <http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/committee-forms--reports.html>

Mu State Chapter Communication Award recognizes chapters that earn 70+ points on the Mu State checklist. <http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/committee-forms--reports.html>

Project Grants DKG Educational Foundation has awarded more than \$4 million to groups or individuals to support projects that benefit children and education. For an application or to learn about projects funded in the past, <http://dkgef.org/projects.html> Delta Kappa Gamma Society International funded these project grants 2014-15.

Amount	Project	Director	Location
\$3,500	The Wonder of Words	Dianne Caron	Fredericton, NB
\$4,800	Field School in Interdisciplinary Medieval Research, Analysis and Public Interpretations Based on Archival, Archaeological and Geoscience Data in Walhain-Saint-Paul, Belgium	Debra Reid	Charleston, IL
\$3,500	A Smart Start: Home Libraries for High-Risk Children	Jenn Columbus	Salem, OR
\$1,500	Honeywell Foundation Educational Outreach Program: Visual Thinking Strategies (VTS)	Jo Ellen Bradley	Wabash, IN
\$4,000	Supporting Early-Career Educators	Marcia Kirkland	Austin, TX
\$4,298.85	Parent Teachers Partnerships	Susan Mary Frabotta	Uxbridge, MA
\$3,296	India Project--Mother Dolores and Mother Martha's Orphanage	Martha Kirgan	Kirvin, TX
\$5,000	Geneva Reads: Bridging Cultural and Economic Diversity	Anne Schuhle	Geneva, NY
\$8,880	Seiwaloaha: Building Castle Foundations	Ellen Tanoura	Honolulu, HI
\$1,751.31	Listenin' and Learnin'	Jill Brown	Ada, OK
\$6,000	Tanzania/United States Cultural Exchange	Bettie Feruzi	Mattapan, MA
\$11,000	Monte Tabor's Excellence Kids	Vianney Colombia/Campos Reyes	Tijuana, Baja CA
\$8,231	Full STEAM Ahead-Code On	Melisa M. Jones	Winter Springs, FL
\$65,757.16	Total Awarded to New Projects		

Amount	Project	Director	Location
\$627	My 2nd Time Around...an Adult Learner's Mathematical Journey Continues...	Melodie A. McGee	Columbus, OH
\$5,000	Lekotek Play/Learning program - Technology	Helene Prokesch	Atlanta, GA
\$400	Badger Girls State Scholarships	Janet Bishop	Janesville, WI
\$6,000	Developing K-5 Leaders	Paula D. Roop	Henrico, VA
\$3,500	iPad as a Tool to Excite and Learn	Iida Hyvonen	Helsinki, Finland
\$4,000	Recovering Culture thru Education...	Ann-Marie Salonen	Halland, Sweden
\$500	CAC - Child Advocacy Center of Pierce County	Rebekah Kristovich	Puyallup, WA
\$5,000	Ahfro Berekum Elementary School	Betty Jordan	Hamilton, ON
\$5,800	Saint Agnes Girls Secondary School Nutrition Classroom Project	Nancy A. Herrmann	Francis Creek, WI
\$1,500	Centro Educativo Austriaco Maxeno Textbook Acquisition Project	Kim Covill	Albuquerque, NM
\$32,327	Total Awarded to Renewed Projects		

Fellowship and learning locally, regionally, statewide and nationwide

Educational Excellence Committee promotes global projects that carry out the mission of the Society. <https://www.dkg.org/category/committee/educational-excellence>

Early-career Educators (SEE) encourages members/chapters to support early-career educators to retain quality teachers. <https://www.dkg.org/content/see-support-early-career-educators>

Schools for Africa is a Society partnership with UNICEF, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and the Hamburg Society to educate girls and boys in sub-Saharan Africa. Since 1995, DKG has maintained Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) status with the United Nations Department of Public Information. The Society was granted consultative status with United Nations Economic and Social Council in 2003. <https://www.dkg.org/content/schools-africa>

Planned Giving Opportunities allow members to ensure the work of the Society continues to support education/educators. Wills, bequests, life insurance, living gifts may be tax-deductible. <https://www.dkg.org/content/planned-giving-opportunities-brochure>

Forums for Publication

The Bulletin, DKG's Quarterly Journal is a peer-reviewed scholarly publication of original authorship. <https://www.dkg.org/content/bulletin-journal-themes-and-due-dates-through-2017>

The Collegial Exchange, DKG's new pedagogical journal The goal is to publish articles of practical and personal interest for educators. <https://www.dkg.org/content/collegial-exchange>

DKG NEWS is a newsletter published by the Society six times annually to provide members with timely information about Society business and activities. <https://www.dkg.org/category/library/publications/dkg-news>

Get Connected online publication of the Society's International Communications and Publicity Committee <http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/-dkg-get-connected.html>

The Buzz an online publication designed as a resource for communication from international committees to members, readers will find tips, news and ideas. <https://www.dkg.org/groups/buzz>

Alpha Kappa Chapter website <http://www.deltakappagamma.org/FL-alphakappa/>

Alpha Kappa Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Alpha-Kappa-Delta-Kappa-Gamma-International/412913988756695>

Mu State Florida website <http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/>

Mu State Florida Rays <http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com/>

Networking with Educators from around the World

International Speakers Fund may pay for travel expenses when a member is invited to speak at Society chapters in member countries. Submit an application every two years. When a State organization invites you, it applies to the Society to pay your travel expenses. <https://www.dkg.org/content/brochure-international-speakers-fund>

International World Fellowship Fund partners with the Fulbright Foundation and Cultural Affairs Office of the U.S. Embassy to supplement stipends of international Fulbright Scholars who are earning graduate degrees in the U.S. The Society's World Fellowship Committee maintain contact with recipients and encourage Society members to maintain contact with recipients studying in their states. Since 1960, 900 women in 120 countries have received awards totaling nearly \$3.27 million. <https://www.dkg.org/content/brochure-world-fellowship>

Professional Conferences and Conventions

Attend as many as five regional **DKG conferences** each summer, including four in the U.S. and one in Europe. Also there's an **international convention** each summer: 2016 Nashville, Tennessee. <https://www.dkg.org/events>

Insurance

A variety of insurance policies at group rates are available to members. <https://www.dkg.org/content/insurance-benefits-members-brochure>

- Personal liability insurance from **AIM**. AIM offers \$1 million coverage for K-12 public school teachers as low as \$45 per year.
- Excess major medical, cancer insurance, travel accident, Medicare supplement, hospital plus, surgical assistance, term life from **Boon-Chapman**
- Auto, home and renters insurance from **Liberty Mutual**
- Long-term care insurance via **Long Term Care Resources**
- Veterinary Pet Insurance through **Nationwide Insurance**