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VITERBO UNIVERSITY CHAPTER

National Society of Leadership and Success Frequently Asked Questions

The National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS) is a national leadership honor for college students. It is a student organization at Viterbo University advised by staff members in the Office of Campus Activities. Each year, students are invited to join Viterbo's NSLS chapter as a result of their academic accomplishments and leadership potential.

1) Who was invited to join NSLS for the fall semester?

Students are invited based on cumulative grade point average data. For specific information regarding the invitation criteria, please reach out to the chapter advisors.

2) How many Viterbo University are inducted members of NSLS?

Since the Viterbo University Chapter's founding in 2011, 703 students have joined NSLS, and 525 students have been inducted into the Society.

3) When is the deadline to sign up and pay the one-time \$85 membership fee?

The deadline to join for the 2016-2017 academic year is Tuesday, September 6.

4) What does the membership fee of \$85 cover? Are there additional costs associated with membership?

The one-time membership fee covers the following NSLS costs:

- ◆ Local chapter induction ceremony, invitations, and other chapter activities
- ◆ National scholarships and awards
- ◆ Member registration
- ◆ Member items (Training certificate, t-shirt, membership pin, etc.)
- ◆ Personal coaching for students as members
- ◆ Development of the members' web site
- ◆ Materials and staff time to train the NSLS advisors and Student Executive Board members
- ◆ Monthly newsletter
- ◆ Online job bank administration and development
- ◆ And more!

For the purposes of comparison, other honorary organizations often have annual dues. NSLS only has a one-time fee.

The NSLS website offers an online store to purchase NSLS-related materials, but these are optional and not required for membership.

5) How do students become members of NSLS? What are the steps toward induction?

In order for a student to become an inducted member of NSLS, invited participants must:

- ◆ Complete registration and pay the one-time \$85 membership fee
- ◆ Attend **one** orientation session
 - Monday, September 12 at 6 p.m. in NRC 196 OR
 - Tuesday, September 20 at 6 p.m. in NRC 196
- ◆ Attend the **Leadership Training Day**
 - Sunday, September 25 from 3-6 p.m. in NRC 196
- ◆ Attend **3 Speaker Broadcasts**
 - Tuesday, October 4 from 6-7:30 p.m. in NRC 196
 - Tuesday, October 18 from 6-7:30 p.m. in NRC 196
 - Wednesday, November 9 from 6-7:30 p.m. in NRC 196
 - Tuesday, February 7 from 6-7:30 p.m. in NRC 196
 - Tuesday, February 21 from 6-7:30 p.m. in NRC 196
 - Wednesday, March 22 from 6-7:30 p.m. in NRC 196
- ◆ Submit and have approved **3 Success Networking Team submissions**
 - Times and locations of Success Networking Team meetings will be determined by your team during Leadership Training Day
 - Each member must submit and have approved 3 online Success Networking Team submissions

Students who meet these requirements for induction are eligible to continue working toward the National Engaged Leader Award (NELA). To achieve this, students must complete an additional:

- ◆ 3 Speaker Broadcasts
- ◆ 3 Approved Success Networking Team Submissions
- ◆ 5 hours of Community Service

6) What types of activities do the members of NSLS engage in? What if a participant can't attend?

In addition to hosting induction requirement activities (orientation, leadership training day, broadcasts, induction ceremony), the Viterbo Chapter of NSLS also provides community service opportunities for the group. Members of the Student Executive Board also host activities throughout the year to keep members involved.

While the Viterbo Chapter of NSLS expects students to make arrangements to attend all required events, we understand that life happens. If a participant needs to miss an Orientation or Leadership Training Day event, they must contact one of the advisors as soon as they know of a conflict to make alternate arrangements. Speaker Broadcasts become available online following the live viewing; students who do not attend the broadcast in person can watch the online version to gain credit for attendance.

7) What is the typical time commitment that students must make to participate?

To become an inducted member, students generally spend 5-6 hours per month (approximately 60-90 minutes per week) attending NSLS events or programs. The amount of time spend on NSLS involvement is completely up to individual participants as they complete steps toward induction at their own pace.

8) What are the benefits of being an inducted member? What happens after induction?

Among benefits listed in the invitation letter students received, additional benefits to joining NSLS include:

- ◆ Networking opportunities with students and staff at Viterbo University
- ◆ Building relationships with others who are committed to pursuing leadership and academics
- ◆ Eligibility to apply for scholarships from NSLS headquarters
- ◆ Self-exploration and self-discovery
- ◆ The opportunity to apply to be part of the Student Executive Board

Once a member is inducted, they are a member for life, meaning they can participate in future events, ranging from live broadcasts, community service, and socials.

9) How can I get more information about NSLS?

To learn more about NSLS, please visit the Frequently Asked Questions page on the following website: <https://www.societyleadership.org/about/faq>.

If you have specific questions about Viterbo's Chapter of NSLS, please contact the Director of Campus Activities by emailing campusactivities@viterbo.edu or by calling 68-796-3807. You may also visit Viterbo's NSLS website using the following link: <http://www.viterbo.edu/national-society-leadership-and-success>.