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Alpha Epsilon Lambda Programs

Alpha Epsilon Lambda (AEL) is a national honorary society whose purpose is to recognize and reward outstanding leadership and scholarship among graduate and professional school students. All activities of the program are designed to promote this purpose.

Dr. Capece serves as AEL Executive Director and manages the group's operations from LaBelle, Florida with the assistance of visiting university students who serve as interns for AEL and various community and regional scientific, educational, and service projects in southwest Florida.

AEL was created in 1990 and currently has chapters at 36 major universities in the United States. Directors include Dr. John Capece, Carole Glover-Kuriatnikova, and Suresh Ramamurthi. The mission of Alpha Epsilon Lambda is to:

- Confer distinction for high achievement,
- Promote leadership development,
- Promote scholarship and encourage intellectual development,
- Enrich the intellectual environment of graduate education institutions, and
- Encourage high standards of ethical behavior.

The founders designed AEL with the intention of promoting greater interaction and cooperation between the campus graduate student advocacy organizations (graduate student associations, councils, senates, unions, etc.) and the graduate school (faculty and administrators). This was to be accomplished by providing a forum in which advocacy issues would not be a focus, thus allowing students, faculty and administrators the opportunity for shared leadership and participation in an organization intended to simply recognize the achievements of graduate students and to provide service to the graduate students and college.

Membership in Alpha Epsilon Lambda forms the central activities of the organization. Through four membership categories - Member, National Member, National Fellow and Governing Member - Alpha Epsilon Lambda recognizes student academic achievements with most eligible members having excellent scholarship in their particular academic discipline.

Chapter activities vary from campus to campus, but each is expected to initiate members twice a year. All chapters must adhere to sponsor a project in service to campus graduate students. All chapters must adhere to any campus regulation pertaining to student organization on their campus.



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Academic Excellence and Leadership Honor Society
Graduate Students Honor Society
Founded in 1990



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What is AEL?



Alpha Epsilon Lambda (AEL) is a non-profit organization with the specific objective of recognizing the academic excellence and leadership accomplishments of the graduate and professional school students.

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New AEL Lapel Pins Available



To the attention of Chapter contact persons: We have AEL new pin options available today. As you review the photos please feel free to give suggestions on the current designs. Since your preferences and suggestions are important for us, we would greatly appreciate if you take time to fill out the below survey forms and return to us for our review and consideration.

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CONGRATULATIONS to our NEW MEMBERS!

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AEL National Member for 2005



Jennifer Marie Butler, Communication Studies graduate student was awarded the status of AEL National Member on April 22, 2005.

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AEL Honorary Member for 2005



Nancy W. Keteku, U.S. State Department Regional Educational Advising Coordinator for Africa has been recognized as the AEL National Honorary Member for 2005.

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Contribution to the Graduate Keynote Newsletter

Dear AEL Members, You are welcome to contribute to the AEL Graduate Keynote Newsletters to come in the future!

Please send to the AEL national headquarter address your articles about your chapter activities, photos, ideas or quotes, that you would like to appear on the next edition of the Graduate Keynote. Let your graduate fellows know about your unique achievements.