



The Andy Dickson Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was created by Andy's family and alumni of the Phi chapter in memory of Andrew 'Andy' Dickson (Phi'83), a member who exemplified the Sigma Alpha Mu ideals and was always there as a friend and brother. In his honor, this scholarship will be awarded each year to an undergraduate who best exemplifies Andy's traits of friendship, brotherhood, leadership, and dedication. Leadership, both in the chapter and on campus, will be a key consideration. A nomination by a current ΣAM member in good standing is required.

Andy Dickson Memorial Scholarship 2022 Recipients:

Jared Garson, Mu Psi, '19 - Miami University OH (\$2,500), nominated by Lyle Yaggy, Mu Psi, '22. Jared, a senior majoring in Finance with a focus in real estate and gerontology has served as the Sergeant at Arms and multiple terms as the Vice Prior, Risk Management for the Mu Psi Chapter. He has also served on the Octagon's Undergraduate Advisory Committee. Jared shared that "knowing that people think of me when they are at their best or their worst means a ton as they know I will always be there for them."

"Jared is an ideal leader because he brings up those around him-he never lets someone become lost or accomplish less than their ceiling. He has made a lifelong impact on our chapter and myself and is the ideal Sammy man." Lyle Yaggy

Charlie Ezgur, Rho, '19 – University of Illinois (\$1,000), nominated by Aviv Zelniker, Rho, '20. Charlie, a senior majoring in Recreation, Sport, and Tourism, has held roles as Prior, Alumni Recorder, and House Manager for the Rho Chapter. He played a key role in the resurgence of the chapter and guiding the house's renovation. Charlie sites his membership in SAM helping him develop as a person and a leader, and that "brotherhood will empower us to overcome any obstacle."

"Charlie is a good leader and a good brother, by his ability to remain humble, learn from others, listen to outside perspectives, and believing in other chapter members." Aviv Zelniker

Andy Dickson Memorial Scholarship Past Recipients:

2021 – Mason Schmidt (Mu Psi/Miami University) \$3,000

2020 - Seth Murawsky (Sigma Tau/University of Oregon) \$2,500

2019 - Samuel Spelsberg (Beta Psi/University of Virginia) \$2,000

2018 - Rocco Cimino (Delta Beta/American University) \$2,000

2017 - Jimmy Humphrey (Beta Psi/Virginia) \$2,100

2016 - Bryce Ericksen (Gamma Kappa/Texas A&M) \$2,000

Honorable Mention: Jake Sidransky (Mu Epsilon/Univ of Miami) \$1,000

2015 - Corey Schneider (Sigma Theta/Texas) \$1,900

2014 - Omri Saadi, (Mu Epsilon/Univ of Miami) \$1,500

2013 - Joshua Kolapo (Delta Eta/West FL) \$1,000

Past Recipient Information:



Mason Schmidt, Mu Psi, '18, Miami OH

2021

Mason Schmidt, Mu Psi, '18/Miami of Ohio, nominated by Carson Nichols and Lyle Yaggy. Mason, a senior majoring in Secondary Science Education in Life Sciences and Chemistry. Carson held roles in the Mu Psi Chapter as Recorder, Candidate Educator, and Undergraduate Advisory Committee. "Mason Schmidt has been an incredible member and leader of the Mu Psi chapter and has stepped up in times when the chapter has needed him to. He has taken every single leadership role in this fraternity extremely seriously and has always kept the respect of his brothers no matter if they disagreed with him on a big decision or not." Carson Nichols

"Mason is a cornerstone member of the Mu Psi Chapter of Sigma Alpha Mu. I know that myself and many other members of the fraternity would attribute Mason's friendship and leadership as a major reason for joining and continuing to be invested in our chapter." Lyle Yaggy



Seth Murawsky, Sigma Tau, '18/Oregon

2020

Seth Murawsky (Sigma Tau, '18), nominated by Jacob Souza (Sigma Tau '18), a History/Education major at the University of Oregon, who plans to graduate in 2021 and become a teacher. The current chapter prior, and one of the founding members of Sigma Tau chapter, Seth has also held roles as recruitment chair and candidate educator. And he has been very involved in Jewish activities with Oregon Hillel, Chabad, and the ΣΑΜ Foundation's Jewish Endeavors Initiative.

In his nomination, Jacob shared that Seth "is the true exemplification of a brother of Sigma Alpha Mu. He is selfless, a great leader, and an even better friend. Seth took on a role that many would not have been able to step into, and he flourished. Currently during his tenure as Prior, he has created an environment of growth and brotherhood."



Samuel Spelsberg, Beta Psi '18/Virginia

2019

Samuel Spelsberg (Beta Psi, '18), nominated by Andrew Hufford, is a junior Computer Science/Statistics major at the University of Virginia. Samuel reduced meal plan costs as the chapter Exchequer and instituted a new mentorship program between current Beta Psi Chapter undergrads and alumni. He is also very involved in campus and community activities.

According to Andrew Hufford (Beta Psi, '18), "Everyone loves him and wants him to be around, that cannot be said for many, but is definitely true about Sam. When I have issues, I go to Sam first. He always knows what to say and how to put a positive spin on things, For Samuel, the most important thing about being a Sam member is "making friendships and connections with people that I know will last my lifetime."



Rocco Cimino (right), (Delta Beta, '16/American University) nominated by Kyle Dimovitz (left)

2018

"I truly believe Rocco Cimino's actions are worth of the highest precepts of true manhood, democracy, and humanity." Kyle Dimovitz (American U., '16)

"Andy's traits which this scholarship highlights are what truly defines a brother in my opinion. To be recognized for my efforts on a platform of this magnitude with an award of this prestigious is an honor I never could have dreamed of." Rocco Cimino (American U., '16). Rocco graduated from American University in 2019 with a degree in Political Science.



Jimmy Humphrey (Beta Psi/Virginia '14) nominated by Jared Fogel

2017

"In his many roles for Beta Psi, Jimmy has become one of the most respected leaders not just in our fraternity, but also at UVA." Jared Fogel (Virginia, '14)

Jimmy attests that "no decision in my life has had greater impact than joining Sigma Alpha Mu. Invaluable are the friendships I have made, the network I have created, the life lessons I have learned, and the personal development I have experienced."

Jimmy graduated from the University of Virginia in 2017 with a degree in Finance.



Bryce Ericksen, Gamma Kappa, '14/Tx A & M)

2016

"The leadership, friendship, and brotherhood that Fra Dickson exuded is something I'll continue to strive for, and I am humbled to represent him as a scholarship recipient."

Bryce Ericksen (Gamma Kappa/Texas A & M, '14)

Honorable Mention, Jake Sidransky was nominated by peers from his chapter.



2015 recipient Corey Schneider (Sigma Theta, '12/Texas, left), nominated by Brandon Gabay (right)

2015

"Corey has shown the type of leadership that often goes unnoticed. Rather than leading our chapter to having bigger parties, Corey developed us into better people." Brandon Gabay (Sigma Theta, '12/Texas)

"I take great pride in my diverse array of activities both in and out of the classroom and understand that it all comes at a price. I am very excited to continue my pursuit of excellence in college and beyond and have enormous gratitude for your support along the way." Corey Schneider (Sigma Theta, '12/Texas)

Corey Schneider is a senior at University of Texas, majoring in journalism. He is active on campus with Hillel, UT Television, and referees UT club sports.



2014 recipient Omri Saadi, Gamma Tau, '12/Texas

2014

Omri Saadi was nominated by his entire chapter for his efforts not only as an outstanding leader but as a 'go to' person for other members of the chapter. Omri Saadi graduated in Spring 2015 from University of Miami with a degree in accounting. He served as Prior, House Manager, Philanthropy Chair, and IFC rep.

"I understand that Andy was everything you could want in a brother, and the fact that I have been compared to him for traits like leadership, dedication, and brotherhood is one of my greatest achievements." -Omri Saadi

2013

Josh Kolapo, (Delta Eta, '10) who served as Prior for his chapter at University of West Florida and received the award his senior year, recently completed his Masters in Higher Education at University of South Florida and now works as an area coordinator for Hobart and William Smith College.