Getting to Know Your Executive Leadership Team

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All about Phi Theta Kappa!

Why did you join PTK?

"I began my college journey in Iowa back in 2002 where I was first introduced to Phi Theta Kappa. My overall GPA was not at a point that would allow me to be a member, but I was welcome to attend meetings and events that began a motivation to strive for more of myself. I was even made an honorary member that allowed me to attend the 2003 International Convention in Anaheim, CA. I remember thinking these people are making a difference and I want to be a part of that. Life pulled me away from college for a few years but in Winter of 2018 I returned to complete my coursework at Clackamas Community College. After my first term, I received my email invite for official membership. I literally screamed! I was over the moon excited and took no hesitation in accepting."

What is something you feel everyone should know about being a PTK member?

"Through my active involvement in Phi Theta Kappa, I have learned more about myself than I ever dreamed possible. I've also made connections with people that I am not sure I would have otherwise been exposed to. People that support me, encourage me, and that have now become more like family. I've learned how to be more resilient, more adaptable, and have gained more confidence in abilities. As a member you can take advantage of the discounts, scholarships, and Edge programming, however, being actively involved gives you so much more!"

Why did you decide to be a chapter officer?

"The first year I was a chapter officer I wanted to keep the chapter alive as all active members were graduating at the time. I also wanted to challenge myself and give back to my chapter, college, and community. As a re-elected officer I want to give back through my experience." Chapter Officer Goals:

"A few of my chapter officer goals include helping our chapter reach Five-Star status for the third year in a row. Increasing membership and awareness to be named a REACH reward chapter again. Supporting and fostering continued growth, community involvement, and connections within our college. As well as assisting and overseeing our chapter win awards at the International and Regional levels in 2021."

Life at CCC!

What is one thing that you love about attending classes at CCC?

"The care, support, and genuine desire to grow each student that radiates from instructors, staff, and administration alike."

If you could improve upon one thing on campus, what would it be and why?

"Our campus offers many opportunities for students to get involved, I would love to help promote ways in which different clubs on campus can partner and help each other!"

Plans after CCC:

"Transfer to PSU to obtain my bachelor's. I am still assessing if I will progress through my masters and potentially a doctorate."

Just for FUN!

Describe yourself using only three words:

"Passionate, Empathetic, & Dedicated"

What is your favorite quote?

""Your life is an occasion; rise to it! "- Mr. Magorium, played by Dustin Hoffman in "Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium""

If you could share your favorite binge worthy TV show, what would it be?

"F•R•I•E•N•D•S!"