

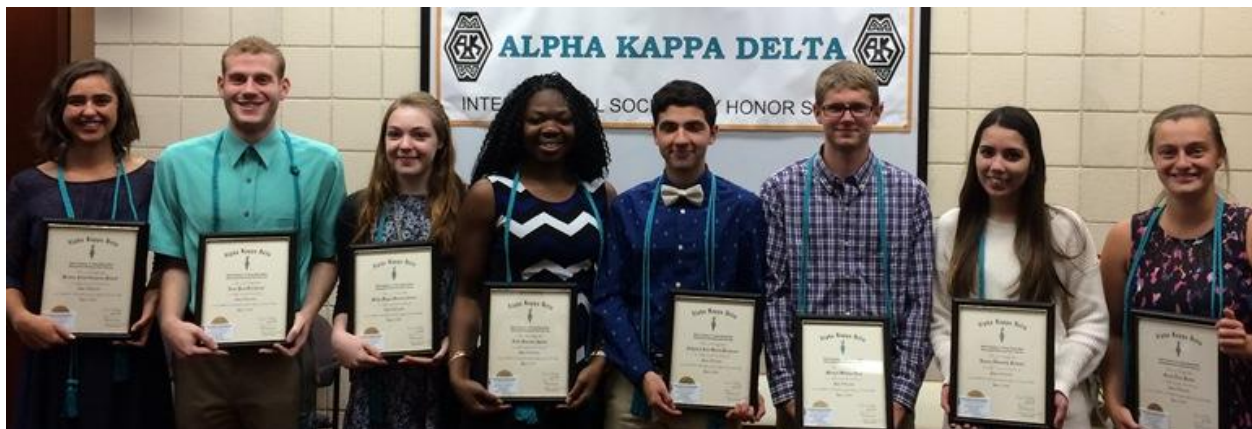
The Department of Sociology and Criminology held its annual **Spring Recognition Ceremony** on Friday, June 3, 2016—to initiate new members into Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD); recognize this year’s Sociology/Criminology thesis writers (for Distinction in the Major); and to recognize our award winners for this year.

### **Alpha Kappa Delta Initiation Ceremony**

*Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD) is the International Sociology Honor Society. AKD’s purpose is to promote excellence in scholarship in the study of sociology, the research of social problems, and such other social and intellectual activities as will lead to improvement in the human condition. This is a merit-based award.*

#### **2016 Inductees**

**Della Agbeke**  
**Mitchell Alton**  
**Kaitlyn Brassette**  
**Alejandro Garcia Fernandez**  
**Molly Gummersheimer**  
**Lauren Padama**  
**Sarah Porter**  
**Kristen Powell**  
**Evan Steinhorst**



(AKD initiates: Kristen Powell, Evan Steinhorst, Molly Gummersheimer, Della Agbeke, Alejandro Garcia Fernandez, Mitchell Alton, Lauren Padama, Sarah Porter. Not pictured: Kaitlyn Brassette)

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## Distinction in Sociology and Criminology

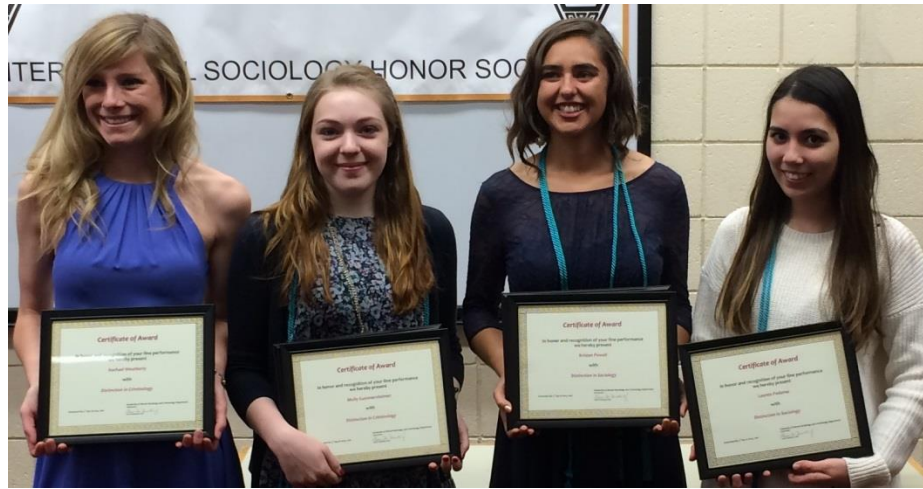
*Distinction in Sociology & Criminology* is awarded to students who successfully complete a senior thesis in either Sociology or Criminology. Distinction was awarded to:

**Molly Gummersheimer** (Criminology)

**Lauren Padama** (Sociology)

**Kristen Powell** (Sociology)

**Rachael Weatherly** (Criminology)



(Soc/Crim thesis writers: Rachael Weatherly, Molly Gummersheimer, Kristen Powell, Lauren Padama)

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## Sociology/Criminology Awards

*The OMNI Award for Sociological Contribution in the Area of Public Policy* is presented to a Sociology/Criminology student who has demonstrated outstanding work in the area of Public Policy. The 2016 winner of this award is **Alejandro Garcia Fernandez**.

*The William H. Key Award for Outstanding Work in Applied Sociology* is given to the student who excels in the internship or practicum research. **Molly Gummersheimer** is the 2016 Key Award winner.

*The Wilbert E. Moore Award for Outstanding Scholarship* is given to the student who has exemplified excellent scholarship through an article, paper, or presentation. The 2016 winner of the Moore Award is **Lauren Padama**.

(Our OMNI, Key and Moore Awards were formally given out on Thursday, May 19, at the Pioneer All-University Awards Ceremony)



(Award winners: Molly Gummersheimer, Alejandro García Fernandez, Lauren Padama)



(Soc/Crim Faculty: Jared Del Rosso, Scott Phillips, Jeff Lin, Karen Albright, Paul Colomy, Lisa Martinez, Hava Gordon, Raúl Pérez)

The ceremony was followed by a luncheon for students, guests, faculty and staff.