



**AHEPA**academy

## **Candidate Application Form 2011**

1st Session: June 26 – July 2, 2011\*

2nd Session: August 7 – 13, 2011\*

Early Action Application Deadline: March 1, 2011

Extended Application Deadline: April 1, 2011

\* AHEPAcademy reserves the right to cancel either session and invite accepted students to the remaining session based on enrollment.

Applications must be submitted to your local AHEPA Chapter and by email to [applications@AHEPAcademy.com](mailto:applications@AHEPAcademy.com)

## **I. Introduction to AHEPAcademy**

AHEPAcademy is a program that identifies, educates, inspires, mentors, advances, and networks exceptional Greek-American high school students as they progress through their high school, college, graduate and professional careers. The program includes a one-week AHEPAcademy on Campus session that invites one Candidate (a Greek-American high school junior selected and sponsored by a local AHEPA Family Chapter) each summer to participate in an intensive academic and interactive program in the Washington, DC area, facilitated by prominent Greek-American and Philhellene instructors from the academic, professional, and public service fields. Graduates of the AHEPAcademy on Campus session are eligible for further mentoring, access to a nationwide network of internships, and participation in continuing internet-based networking and learning opportunities throughout the end of high school, college, graduate school, and beyond.

### **AHEPAcademy 2011**

AHEPAcademy 2011 will be available to a small number of exceptional students selected and sponsored by participating AHEPA Family Chapters (i.e., AHEPA, Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles, Maids of Athena) from across the United States and Canada. Please contact AHEPAcademy at [info@AHEPAcademy.com](mailto:info@AHEPAcademy.com) and your local AHEPA Chapter to indicate your interest in applying as soon as possible and to confirm that your local Chapter is participating in sponsoring students with scholarships for AHEPAcademy on Campus. Given the cost of participating in AHEPAcademy, it is highly recommended that a student seek to obtain a scholarship from his or her local Chapter when applying, however a student's lack of scholarship funding will not necessarily determine whether or not they are accepted into the program.

The 2011 sessions of AHEPAcademy on Campus will take place from June 26 – July 2, 2011 and August 7 - 13, 2011 on the campus of George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia, in the Washington, DC suburbs. If selected as a Candidate, students will be expected to arrive on the Sunday afternoon and will be expected to remain at AHEPAcademy until Saturday morning of their respective sessions. Candidates and their families will be responsible for transportation costs to and from AHEPAcademy. (Transportation to George Mason University from both Reagan National and Dulles Airports will be provided on Sunday afternoon as well as to the airports from campus on the following Saturday.) Each sponsoring AHEPA Chapter will pay for their Candidate's food, lodging and other program related expenses during the Candidate's participation in the AHEPAcademy on Campus session from a \$1,000 AHEPAcademy Scholarship payable directly to AHEPAcademy. If a student is unable to secure scholarship funding but is otherwise accepted into the program, it is the responsibility of the student and the student's family to pay the \$1,000 tuition to attend the program.

Second Session/Consolidated Session: In order maintain its philosophy of smaller class sizes and recognizing that many qualified students may have a scheduling conflict with participating in the June 2011 session, AHEPAcademy is offering an August 2011 session scheduled for the second week of August 2011. Applicants are encouraged to mark whether they are available for either one or both of these sessions and to specify their preference on attending either session.

If based on applications received by the Application Deadline, there are not enough accepted students who are able to attend either the first or second session to create a large enough class session, AHEP Academy will reserve the right to cancel either session and invite accepted students to attend the remaining session. The need for a second session will be determined based on the applications received by the Application Deadline and AHEP Academy reserves the right to not offer or cancel the second session based on demand for one or both sessions.

## **II. Eligibility**

To be eligible to attend AHEP Academy, the Applicant must demonstrate that:

1. The Applicant is a High School Junior during the 2010/2011 Academic Year. A High School Junior is a student who is currently in the next to final year of high school. An Applicant who applies for the 2011 class of AHEP Academy will be expected to attend AHEP Academy on Campus during the Summer of 2011 and will have one final year of high school remaining, with graduation from high school in the Spring of 2012.
2. The Applicant maintains a cumulative minimum 3.5/4.0 unweighted grade point average or its equivalent or is in the top 10% of his or her high school class. Applicants must submit the most recently issued transcript corresponding to their Application Submission Date and may be asked to provide an updated transcript by their local AHEPA Chapter or by AHEP Academy during the evaluation and selection of Candidates. Applicants submitted weighted transcripts must also submit an explanatory document provided by the school describing how these weighted grades compare to unweighted grades issued by the school.
3. The Applicant is member of either the Sons of Pericles or Maids of Athena. Alternatively, any of the Applicant's parents or grandparents can be members in good standing of AHEPA or the Daughters of Penelope. (An Applicant who has a deceased parent or grandparent that was a member in good standing of AHEPA or the Daughters of Penelope at the time of his or her death meets this eligibility requirement.) If the Applicant or any of the Applicant's parents or grandparents are not currently members of any of the AHEPA Family Organizations (AHEPA, Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles, or Maids of Athena) and the Applicant does not otherwise meet this eligibility requirement, either the Applicant or any of the Applicant's parents or grandparents can join the applicable AHEPA Family Organization concurrently with the Applicant's application submission by the Application Submission Date in order to satisfy this eligibility requirement.
4. The student is of Hellenic Heritage.

Any questions or disputes regarding a student's eligibility for AHEP Academy will be referred by the local AHEPA Chapter to AHEP Academy for resolution.

### **III. Filing Requirements**

A hard copy of the application form with the required attachments, constituting an Application Submission, must be submitted to the student's sponsoring AHEPA Chapter with an electronic copy of the same to [applications@AHEPAcademy.com](mailto:applications@AHEPAcademy.com). (Completed applications with attachments should be scanned in PDF format as one file for electronic submission purposes. If you do not have ability to scan or create a PDF version of your application form and the required attachments, please contact AHEPAcademy at [applications@AHEPAcademy.com](mailto:applications@AHEPAcademy.com) for alternate filing instructions.)

The following documents are required for a complete AHEPAcademy Application Submission:

1. A completed AHEPAcademy Candidate Application Form 2011.
2. An official high school transcript, most recently issued before the Submission Deadline. Applicants may supplement their Application Submission with an updated transcript if the Applicant's school regularly issues grades between the Submission Deadline and April 15, 2011. AHEPAcademy may also in some cases request updated transcripts to finalize its selection of Candidates.
3. An official copy of the student's most recent SAT or ACT scores or PSAT/NMSQT scores, if applicable.
4. A copy of the AHEPAcademy 2011 Candidate Essay Submissions.

Hard copy Application Submissions must be either hand-delivered or certified mailed, return receipt requested, to the sponsoring Chapter by March 1, 2011 for Early Action Deadline consideration or by April 1, 2011 for the Extended Application Deadline.

A copy of the Application Submission must also be emailed to AHEPAcademy at [applications@AHEPAcademy.com](mailto:applications@AHEPAcademy.com) by 11:59 P.M. EST on March 1, 2011 or April 1, 2011 for each respective deadline. Applicants should maintain a copy of this completed application for their records.

Failure to timely file all these items may penalize the scoring of the student's application or result in the rejection of the student's application.

AHEPAcademy applications received after March 1, 2011 but by April 1, 2011 will be considered under the Extended Application Deadline. Students who apply by March 1, 2011 will receive favorable consideration over similarly situated applicants who apply after this March 1, 2011 deadline and will have first choice of attending the first or second session should there be a need to limit the numbers of either session.

## AHEPAcademy Candidate Application Form

### Personal Information

<b>Name of Applicant:</b>			
	<b>Last</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>MI</b>
<b>Date of Birth:</b>		<b>Social Security #</b>	
<b>Home Address:</b>			
<b>Street Address (Line 1)</b>			
<b>Street Address (Line 2)</b>			
	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>ZIP</b>
<b>Telephone Number:</b>		<b>Student's Email Address:</b>	
<b>High School</b>			
	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>ZIP</b>

### Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible to apply, you must either: (please check all that apply)

- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a son or daughter of a member in good standing of either the **ORDER OF AHEPA** or the **DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE**; or  
**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a grandson or granddaughter of a member in good standing of either the **ORDER OF AHEPA** or the **DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE**; or  
**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a son or daughter of a deceased member in good standing of either the **ORDER OF AHEPA** or **The DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE**; or  
**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a grandson or granddaughter of a deceased member in good standing of either the **ORDER OF AHEPA** or **The DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE**; or  
**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Dates of Membership:** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ Be a member in good standing of either the **SONS OF PERICLES** or **MAIDS OF ATHENA**.  
**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_

Furthermore, in order to be eligible, you must have an unweighted Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale or be ranked in the top 10% of your class.

Current G.P.A. (Rounded to nearest hundredth) \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Class Rank (Actual number/percentile) \_\_\_\_\_

Finally, you must be of Hellenic descent.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am of Hellenic Heritage. (Please briefly describe below)  
Yes No

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**Session Availability/Preference:**

If selected to attend AHEP Academy, I understand that I may be asked to attend either session and that AHEP Academy reserves the right to cancel either the first or second sessions based on expected class size and in order to accommodate the greatest number of accepted students.

I am available to fully participate in the following sessions of AHEP Academy:

\_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Session – June 26 – July 2, 2011

\_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Session – August 7 – 13, 2011

I would prefer to attend (mark one): \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Session \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Session \_\_\_\_\_ No Preference

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**Academic Information** (Provide all that apply.)

- a. SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_
- c. PSAT Score \_\_\_\_\_

**List all Scholastic Honors and Awards during High School.**

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**List all Extracurricular Activities during High School (include any leadership positions).**

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**List any and all Employment during High School.**

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**List any and all Community Service/Volunteering during High School.**

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**Describe your participation in the Greek-American community.**

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## AHEPAcademy Essay Submissions 2011

### Instructions and Format:

Responses to each question must be 500 words or less regardless of the existence of a two-part question. Please provide a word count at the end of each response. Essays must be in twelve (12) point font, double-spaced, in Times New Roman, Arial or Courier font-styles.

Essays should be clear, concise, persuasive and complete. There is no right, wrong or preferred answer to the questions. You are simply asked to produce a persuasive, thoughtful response demonstrating an understanding of the underlying issues pertaining to each question.

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### Question #1:

Identify a problem or concern facing the continuation or advancement of the Greek American community and describe what you as a Greek American young adult can do in the next 10 to 15 years to contribute to addressing this concern.

### Question #2:

*Greek America is better served by having its best and brightest high school and college students focus on their own personal and professional development rather than having these young adults involved in the Greek American community during these years.*

Please discuss whether you agree or disagree with this statement and why.

### Question #3:

Why do you want to participate in AHEPAcademy and what do you feel you would be able to contribute to the overall advancement and success of the AHEPAcademy Class of 2011?

**Applicant Certification**

On my honor as a Hellene, to the best of my knowledge and belief, everything I have submitted in this application is true and accurate. The attached essay submissions represent my original work and I have not received any assistance in preparing these submissions.

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STUDENT SIGNATURE

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PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

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**TO BE COMPLETED BY SPONSORING AHEPA FAMILY CHAPTER**

Our Chapter hereby acknowledges receipt of the application of the following student, and if selected by AHEPAcademy, our Chapter is willing to sponsor such student with a \$1000 Scholarship payable to AHEPAcademy:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Received

CHAPTER PRESIDENT

CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
CHAIR OR OTHER OFFICER

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Print Name

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District Number