



Dear Student:

The Sigma Chi Fraternity at the University of Rochester would like to congratulate you on the completion of your first semester here at U of R. We understand that you were a very successful student and/or athlete in high school and would like to offer you an opportunity to apply for the Sigma Chi Emerging Leaders scholarship.

The Sigma Chi Scholarship will be awarded to those University of Rochester freshmen who have been successful academically, athletically, and have made significant accomplishments as leaders in their respective academic institutions, teams, and communities. Enclosed is an application for the Sigma Chi Scholarship. The winner will receive a **\$500** scholarship to help pay their tuition. We will also recognize several semi-finalists in a ceremony to be held in late January. The scholarship will be awarded to a male freshman who has the potential to go on to become a leader at the University of Rochester.

The fundamental purpose of the Sigma Chi Fraternity is to cultivate an appreciation of and commitment to the ideals of friendship, justice, and learning. These ideals and objectives have been the heart of Sigma Chi since it's founding by seven men at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, on June 28, 1855. These seven men believed that the principles they professed were imperfectly realized in other fraternal organizations. Although the vision of Sigma Chi was based upon the notion of shared ideals, they believed that true brotherhood would thrive best among men of different temperaments, talents, and convictions.

You will find all of these principles to be practiced at the Gamma Pi Chapter of Sigma Chi. Sigma Chi has the largest international endowment and the strongest alumni of any fraternal organization for a very simple reason: once you're a Sig, you're a Sig for life. Our chapter gives you distinction and a sense of family belonging that helps you improve your character, while practicing the lessons we teach. With a goal of becoming the preeminent collegiate leadership development organization, Sigma Chi has invested millions of dollars towards leadership programs which are available to all brothers. While joining Sigma Chi is not a requirement of either applying for or winning this scholarship, we urge you to accept the challenge and join us in the preparation of the Sigma Chi tradition. Becoming a Sigma Chi is thus spending the rest of your life knowing that you are never alone in your continuous quest to be the best. For more information be sure to check out the Sigma Chi website at [www.sigmachi.org](http://www.sigmachi.org).

The application must be postmarked by **January 31, 2009** and should be sent to:

**Sigma Chi Fraternity, Inc.**  
**c/o Jeffrey Anderson**  
**University of Rochester**  
**Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs**  
**510 Wilson Commons**  
**Rochester, NY 14627-0443**

We will make semi-finalist selections in mid January 2009, and will notify the recipients of their selection. If you have any questions concerning the Sigma Chi Scholarship, please feel free to email me at [Jeffrey.h.anderson@gmail.com](mailto:Jeffrey.h.anderson@gmail.com). On behalf of the Sigma Chi Fraternity at the University of Rochester, I wish you well in the rest of your college career and beyond!

Sincerely,

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