

**NURSE LEADER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Thank you for your interest in Sigma, the honor society of nursing. Comprised of over 135,000 nurses from around the globe, Sigma is recognized as one of the most distinguished nursing organizations and a world leader in nursing scholarship, leadership, and service.

**Membership Criteria:**

No matter where you are in your nursing career if you meet the criteria for consideration and are currently a nursing professional or a student in a post-licensure graduate program you may apply to join as a Nurse Leader. Requirements are:

* be a registered nurse, legally recognized to practice in your country;
* have a minimum of a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent in any field; and
* have demonstrated achievement in nursing.

**Application:**

***Part 1. Personal Information***

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Should Sigma use your “business” or “home” email address for communication?

***Part 2: Curriculum Vitae (CV), Biosketch, or Resume***

Please attach your current curriculum vitae (CV), biosketch, or resume.

***Part 3. Achievement in Nursing***

Please briefly describe your achievement in nursing in scholarship, leadership, and/or service and attach to this application. Examples for each area are provided below. The examples are meant to be illustrations of possible achievements and are not meant to be specific requirements for application.

*Scholarship*

• Engaging in evidence-based practice projects at the unit or institutional level.

• Engaging in quality improvement programs that bring about change to practice, patient care, or organizational policies.

• Receiving a research grant.

• Conducting research and disseminating findings.

• Mentoring of junior nurse researchers.

• Publishing in a peer-reviewed professional journal.

• Developing evidence-based educational programs for nurses.

• Designing and instituting contemporary educational models to influence nursing education.

• Being recognized as an expert in a nursing or other health-related area.

*Leadership*

• Chairing a committee within an organization and collaborating with interdisciplinary groups.

• Holding a leadership position in a professional nursing, other health-related, or community organization/association.

• Mentoring others to help prepare them for leadership positions.

• Engaging in healthcare policy development or advocacy work.

• Being recognized by an organization/institution/agency for providing exemplary leadership in a specific area or on a specific project.

• Leading the development and implementation of original nursing projects designed to improve patient care or the functioning of the healthcare organization.

• Serving as an external consultant or reviewer to professional or educational organizations (e.g., accreditation site visitor, external program consultant).

*Service or Practice*

• Working with a non-profit organization that does global outreach and relief work.

• Facilitating the work of a homeless health clinic.

• Organizing and sustaining ongoing volunteer recruits to work in a food bank.

• Developing and leading projects and activities to promote well-being, such as a spiritual support group for nurses, Relay for Life, suicide awareness and prevention, opioid abuse epidemic awareness and prevention.

• Sustaining volunteer community service for organizations such as The Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity, Doctors without Borders, or Rotary International.

• Implementing shared governance models within an organization or institution.

• Serving on institutional/organizational governance committees.

• Developing and monitoring preceptor programs for new nurses.

• Developing a nurse residency program.

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR APPLICATION!***

**PLEASE SUBMIT TO THE RHO FACULTY COUNSELOR BY EMAIL**

Visit Rho web page for name & contact information:

<https://nursing.umich.edu/about/nursing-michigan/sigma-rho-chapter/officers-committees>

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