2012 INDUCTION CEREMONY
For Charter and Founding Members

SIGMA BETA DELTA
International Honor Society for Business, Management, and Administration

Thursday, May 10, 2012
6:00pm
Campus Center (1C)
Green Dolphin Lounge
ABOUT SIGMA BETA DELTA

Sigma Beta Delta traces its beginnings to June 19, 1986, where, at a Beta Gamma Sigma Long-Range Planning Committee meeting in Williamsburg, Virginia, the decision was made to thoroughly examine its relationships with schools that had regional accreditation, but not specialized accreditation in business. In subsequent discussions, Beta Gamma Sigma leaders acknowledged that the business honor society is a vital participant and positive force in higher education, and should be available to all regionally accredited baccalaureate institutions.

The culmination of the discussions was a decision by the Beta Gamma Sigma Board of Governors in January 1994 to establish Sigma Beta Delta. Seven founding chapters were established early in 1994. They include: Belmont University, Houston Baptist University, McKendree College, Morehouse College, North Carolina State University, Saint Leo College and Southern University. By the end of the chartering period, June 30, 1995, an additional 54 charter chapters had been installed for a total of 61 founding and charter chapters. Today, over 350 chapters have been established in 47 states. Three international chapters have been established: American University of Kuwait, Kazakh-American Free University and United Arab Emerites which was the first international chapter.

The creation of Sigma Beta Delta follows a 200-year tradition of honoring scholastic achievement in higher education, beginning with the establishment of Phi Beta Kappa in Williamsburg, Virginia, in 1776.

MEANING OF SIGMA BETA DELTA

Sigma is the initial letter of the Greek word \( \Sigma\Phi\I\alpha \), which means wisdom. Wisdom is knowledge gained over time, analyzed and used with discernment. Wisdom is not merely information, but allows one to acknowledge information, consider its validity and relevance, and then incorporate into one's own life what is appropriate.

Beta is the initial letter of the Greek word \( \beta\varepsilon\beta\alpha\iota\omicron\varsigma \), which signifies honor. Honor is a personal quality of the highest value. Honorable persons are held in esteem, considered to be trustworthy, and admired by others because they live a life that is worthy of such recognition. Honorable persons have chosen to live a life that is bound by integrity and ethical decision-making. They respect others and are willing to provide leadership to the benefit of humankind.

Delta is the initial letter of the Greek word \( \Delta\iota\omicron\kappa\omega \), which signifies the pursuit of meaningful aspirations. Persons of wisdom and honor must aspire to a course to achieve their objectives, for goals without action are no more fulfilling than action without goals. To aspire toward the fulfillment of one's goals to serve humankind and develop personally and professionally will lead to a life of meaning and satisfaction.
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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS
Susan L. Holak
Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness

KEYNOTE AND CHALLENGE
Tomás D. Morales
President, College of Staten Island

GREETINGS
Christine Flynn Saulnier
Dean, Division of Humanities and Social Sciences

CHAPTER FOUNDATION AND CHARTER
Susan L. Holak
President, Sigma Beta Delta Chapter

INDUCTION OF HONOREES
Thomas Tellefsen
Vice-President, Sigma Beta Delta Chapter
Deepa Aravind
Secretary-Treasurer, Sigma Beta Delta Chapter

THE COLLEGE’S RESPONSE
William J. Fritz
Senior Vice President and Provost

CLOSING REMARKS
Susan L. Holak
President, Sigma Beta Delta Chapter

Please join us for a reception in the West Lounge immediately following the ceremony. New inductees will assemble for a group photograph to memorialize their induction prior to joining the reception festivities. We would like to express our appreciation to the many individuals who participated in planning and executing this evening’s event.
STATEMENT OF INDUCTION

I pledge myself to maintain and uphold the principles of Sigma Beta Delta, international honor society in business, management, and administration. I will pursue Wisdom; I will accept Honor; I will aspire to fulfill worthy goals. As a member of this chapter of Sigma Beta Delta, I will accept my responsibility to support and encourage its purposes. I will continually seek to represent well my chapter, The City University of New York – College of Staten Island, and my nation throughout my life.
HONORARY MEMBERS

Tomás D. Morales
President

William J. Fritz
Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs/Provost

ADMINISTRATION

Susan L. Holak
Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness
Professor of Marketing

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Deepa Aravind
Assistant Professor of Management

Soon Chun
Associate Professor of Business Information Technology

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Assistant Professor of Marketing

Jonathan Peters
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Chair, Department of Business
Professor of Marketing

Jihazhuo George Wang
Associate Professor of Finance

Alan Zimmerman
Professor of International Business

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Adejoke Adegoke**
Accounting

Jason Almanza
Management

Victor Argueta-Diaz
Accounting

Arian Benvenuto**
Management

William Bonamo
Business

Katherine Brigandi*
Accounting

Thomas Brigandi*
Accounting

Jillian Castore
Management

Chi Chan
Accounting

Charlene Chiu
Accounting

Michael Cianciaruso
Accounting
Francesco Cirillo**
Marketing and International Business

Delia Crocco
Management

John Danza
Accounting

Victoria D’Arienzo*
Accounting

Joseph DiMarco
Accounting

Olga Doktorovich
International Business

Alexandra Doronina**
Accounting

Mariya Feldman
Management

James Femia
Finance

Elena Ghelan
Accounting

Enid Hoxha
Accounting

Besfort Kaja
Finance and Accounting

Katie Kapitan**
Marketing

Ping Lam
International Business and Finance

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Finance and International Business

Xin Lu
Accounting

Dorothea Martin
Accounting and Management

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Accounting

Daniel O’Shaughnessy
Accounting

Nilka Otero
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Accounting

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Business

Mikhail Reshetnikov
Accounting

Michael Romano
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Eman Safi
Management

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Accounting

Rakhshanda Syed**
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Yi Zhong  
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Management

Dakshata Mhatre  
Management

Michael Rios  
Management

Ying Song  
Management