

# **General Questions:**

## Is this an honor society or a club?

Upsilon Pi Epsilon is an International Honor Society only available to Computer Science and Information Systems majors.

#### How much does this cost?

UPE will cost a <u>ONE</u> time fee of 60\$. If you are an online or DL student, please use PayPal to include 60\$ to upe@acm.org. Add a note stating Saint Leo UPE if using PayPal.

## How do I join this honor society?

You join this society by visiting the Saint Leo website and typing in UPE. The website will have the application and the requirements documentation. If you are interested in being a member fill out an application before the deadline and email it to <a href="Marwan.Omar@saintleo.edu">Marwan.Omar@saintleo.edu</a> or <a href="marwight@email.saintleo.edu">reena.wright@email.saintleo.edu</a>.

## What are the requirements to join the honor society?

Any student within the CS/CIS department may qualify if they have at least a 3.0 GPA overall and a 3.3 GPA within their major course requirements. Another requirement is that they have at least 45 credit hours when seeking to join. Graduate students must have a 3.5 GPA. Students must be a candidate for a degree in CS/CIS disciplines.

#### How will I know if I am a member of UPE?

After having emailed <u>reena.wright@email.saintleo.edu</u> or <u>Marwan.omar@saintleo.edu</u> and your, GPA has been verified an invitation letter will be sent to you to join the honor society. There will be a formal induction ceremony that will take place for all accepted members.

### Do I need to attend the formal ceremony, what if I'm not an on-campus student?

Inductees are encouraged to bring family, friends, and loved ones to the ceremony. However, if the newly accepted member cannot make it, please pick up your certificate and pin with Dr. Omar School of Business room 328. Online and DL students may have to wait for certificates via mail.

# What is the benefit of me joining?

UPE is a prestigious honor society that is recognized by employers within the CS/CIS field and even some outside the field. This society has scholarships available for any member to apply and the application is easy check it out here <a href="http://upe.acm.org/scholarship.html">http://upe.acm.org/scholarship.html</a>. Any member of UPE will also gain free membership into the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM). The ACM also provides valuable benefits for being a member click the next link to find out more <a href="https://www.acm.org/membership/benefits">https://www.acm.org/membership/benefits</a>. There is a UPE pin that members are given and other memorabilia <a href="https://upe.acm.org/memorabilia.html">http://upe.acm.org/memorabilia.html</a>. UPE is not only recognized by the ACM, but also by IEEE-Computer Society.

# What if I don't have the GPA or credit requirement now?

The UPE honor society will invite new members every Fall and Spring. If you don't qualify, you can reapply during either semester to until you are an accepted member.

# APPLICATION DEADLINE September 30, 2016.