



## **AKΨ Gamma Nu Application**

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**1 PowerPoint Slide which includes:**

- Name
- Picture
- Hometown
- Class Year
- Fun Fact

**Your Resume**

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*Please fill out all 5 questions*

Full Name: Sarah Maria Schmider

Expected Graduation Date (Month/Year): May 2021

**1. Have you previously rushed Alpha Kappa Psi? (Yes/No)**

No

**2. What other organizations/extracurriculars are you a part of?**

Babson music collective

I will join the sustainability club

**3. How will you contribute to the fraternity? (max 300 words)**

When I was in middle school, I used youtube videos to learn how to make duct tape wallets, eventually coming up with my very own wallet design. In high school, instead of writing a paper as my final on Macbeth, I produced a video project. Now, I often make jewelry out of clay or produce watercolor paintings as gifts for friends and family. Whenever possible I attempt to infuse creativity into what I do.

I will contribute my creativity to Alpha Kappa Psi. If a brother wants somebody to talk to about a business idea, I would love to help by giving my opinions and input on how to further develop the idea. When there are fundraisers, I will help to come up with creative ways to raise money and advocate for Alpha Kappa Psi. If a brother is interested in learning how to watercolor paint or play the piano, I will gladly teach them. My creativity plays a large role in everything I do and I am excited to share it with Alpha Kappa Psi.

**4. How do you measure success? (max 300 words)**

I measure success by the way I feel when I wake up in the morning. I consider myself to be successful when my first emotion is happiness and I feel content with life. Sometimes, the joy is caused by something career related, such as a good grade or landing an internship. Other times, it will be caused by something that might not seem as significant, such as completing a difficult workout or meeting a new friend. Often it is caused by knowing that I've made somebody smile or because I helped a peer with their homework. In the long run, all of these small successes accumulate and develop into the achievement of my long-term goals, which are to lead a happy life and leave a positive impact on the world. Therefore, when I feel like I've woken up on the right side of the bed and I'm ready to conquer the day, I know that I've come at least a little bit closer to becoming what I define as a successful person.



**5. What previous experience from your past makes you feel like you relate to AKPsi?**

In 2016, I completed an internship in management with the Lake Forest Symphony, a small music business which manages a professional orchestra. I was able to explore how my passion for music could be incorporated into the business world.

My internship, however, was not only valuable because I gained business experience. Though they are older than me, I formed unexpected connections with the other employees. They became my mentors and my friends. I recognized the value in collaborating and connecting with people from varying backgrounds who share common goals. Learning about many different perspectives is important to becoming a well rounded person.

At Alpha Kappa Psi, I know I will feel that same camaraderie with my brothers. The opportunity to be surrounded by a diverse group of people who are all passionate about business and are willing to share their experiences in order to help others learn from them excites me. Just like the employees at the Lake Forest Symphony inspire me to pursue a career in business, the brothers I have met during recruitment at Alpha kappa Psi inspire me to work hard and pursue my passions. I am excited to make friends with people that I wouldn't usually get the opportunity to meet and I am looking forward to learning about their experiences and outlooks on life.