



# BETA ALPHA PSI

## **Gamma Beta Chapter**

School of Accounting  
The Darla Moore School of Business  
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Beta Alpha Psi, the national scholastic and professional accounting fraternity, was founded at the University of Illinois in 1919. In 1965, the Gamma Beta chapter was organized and officially designated at the University of South Carolina. The objectives of Beta Alpha Psi are to promote the study and practice of accounting, to provide opportunities for self-development and association among members and practicing accountants, and to encourage a sense of ethical, social, and public responsibility.

The emblem of the Beta Alpha Psi fraternity denotes the promise of the accounting profession. The rising sun signifies the profession as one rising ever higher among economic activities. The crossed keys symbolize knowledge of accounting as a means of opening the doors of the financial world. The letters Beta, Alpha, and Psi denote Scholarship, Social Responsibility, and Practicality, respectively.

Membership in Beta Alpha Psi includes those persons of good moral character who have achieved scholastic and/or professional excellence in the field of accounting, who have been initiated according to the ritual, and who remain in good standing. Minimum scholastic requirements for membership are set forth in the national bylaws. They are as follows:

- Students must be accounting majors and must have completed ACCT 401
- Undergraduate students must have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA in all courses attempted
- If the student does not have a 3.0 cumulative GPA, a 3.25 GPA in the most recent 30 hours of classes taken will also qualify the student for membership
- Regardless of the above two requirements, the student must have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA in all upper division accounting courses attempted (401 and higher)
- All returning graduate student initiates must have at least a 3.5 GPA in all graduate level accounting courses

**Beta Alpha Psi  
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Application for Membership**

(Please Print All Information)

Name (include middle initial): \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Permanent Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Undergraduate Students**

Expected Graduation Month/Year \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA in Upper Division Accounting (ACCT 401 and up) \_\_\_\_\_

If you transferred, where did you take your previous accounting classes?

Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_

**Graduate Students**

Program of study: \_\_\_\_\_ MACC \_\_\_\_\_ MTAX \_\_\_\_\_ MBA \_\_\_\_\_ MIBS \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: MBA & MIBS students must have either an undergraduate  
accounting degree or Masters accounting concentration.)

Expected Graduation (Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_

GPA in Graduate  
Accounting Courses \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA for all  
Master Level Coursework \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Institution Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Applications must have a transcript attached (unofficial is sufficient). Undergraduate transcripts are available in the advisement office on the second floor of the Darla Moore School of Business. Alternatively, students can print transcripts off of the University web site ([vip.sc.edu](http://vip.sc.edu)).

Please return the completed application to the Beta Alpha Psi office, located in Room 331 of the Darla Moore School of Business.