

MEREDITH COLLEGE

2018-2019 Student Handbook

STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

There are over 100 organizations and clubs on Meredith's campus offering a variety of opportunities for participation and leadership, and addressing most students' interests, e.g., academics, politics, honors, service, religion and professions. In order to be a member of a Meredith College student organization and to hold office, a student must currently be enrolled in at least one credit hour at Meredith College. Constitutions of all organizations are maintained by SGA Senate in the Office of Student Leadership and Service. Full privileges of an official Meredith student organization include an organizational account, access to reserving space on campus, access to apply to SAF, a presence on college publicity materials, eligibility for awards, an email account, a roster list, participation in the activities fairs, and access to all services related to publicity on campus. Student organizations must register in the fall semester each year. Students who are interested in starting a new organization at Meredith should speak to the SGA Senate chair or visit the Office of Student Leadership and Service to obtain a copy of the Guidelines and Procedures for Establishing New Organizations at Meredith. New organizations will only be considered in the fall semester.

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Student Government Association

As early as 1905, Meredith took an important step forward when it introduced student government, apparently the first college in the state to do so, and one of the first in the South (Mary Lynch Johnson, *A History of Meredith College*). Since that time Meredith students have held an integral role in the shaping of the policies, philosophy, and tradition of the college.

Executive, legislative, and judicial branches comprise the basic structure of the current Student Government Association, with numerous boards and committees completing the structure.

The purpose of the association shall be to promote, in cooperation with the administration, the general welfare of the student body; to promote by example and precept scholarship, citizenship, and integrity; to act as a liaison with students, alumnae, faculty, staff, administrators, and trustees; to serve as the official advocate of the students; to receive and investigate student grievances; and to encourage students to become active participants in self-governance. See the Constitution of the Student Government Association and By-Laws for detailed information.

All Meredith undergraduate students are members of the Student Government Association and are encouraged to become involved in all its functions. Student involvement is crucial to the effective governance of the campus and vital to the educational process of each student. Each student has a voice in this government through participation in the election of officers, interaction with their class representatives on each branch of the government, self-involvement in the various branches, and an open-communication policy with student government officers. Opportunities for student leadership and involvement are open to all students through campus elections and membership on numerous boards and committees.

The elections schedule is available through the Office of Student Leadership and Service, and detailed information about positions and elections is included in the Constitution of the Student Government Association and By-Laws.

The SGA office is located on the second floor of the Cate Center; the email address is: sga@email.meredith.edu.

Executive Board Serves as the coordinating body of all branches of the Student Government Association and is made up of the president, vice president/senate chair, treasurer/student activities fee committee chair, secretary, freshman member-at-large, adviser, and the chairs/presidents of the Student Life Committee, Elections Board, Association of Meredith Commuters, Honor Council, Residents Housing Association, and WINGS. President: Emily Slusser

Association of Meredith Commuters Serves as a liaison between commuter students and the on-campus community. Provides an opportunity to address commuter concerns needed during association meetings. Several organizations have commuter representatives to address concerns and serve as advocates for commuter students. Informs commuter students of campus-wide functions and builds the commuter

student community through programmed activities and services. All commuter students are members and are encouraged to attend meetings and events and participate in activities. President: Lexie Hill

Elections Board Supervises and promotes all class and campus-wide elections, as well as all student referendums called by the SGA Executive Committee. Chair: Megan Evans

Honor Council Serves as the head of the judicial body of student government. Fosters and protects the community environment, both socially and academically, and promotes personal integrity and responsibility in each student. The Review Board and Residence Hearings Committee are also branches of the Honor System. Chair: Jada Labriado

Residents Housing Association Provides the opportunity for resident students to discuss problems, policies, and procedures. The Residents Housing Association is composed of an executive committee, members and all residents living in an on campus residence hall. Residence directors attend as resource persons and serve as advisers to each residence hall president. The executive committee consists of the chair of the association, the vice-chair, the secretary, the treasurer, and the other appointed officers. RHA assists the residence life staff in the creation of a positive living experience and environment for all resident students through governance, programming, and community development. Chair: Calla Tyrrell

Senate Recommends changes in the SGA constitution and in the regulations of the Student Government Association, reviews and approves present and proposed organizational constitutions, and approves or rejects legislation/regulation changes to some policies governing students. Chair: Sydney Pollock

Student Activities Fee Committee Oversees the Student Activities Fee fund to the inclusiveness and benefit of the Meredith community. Chair: Taylor Keyes

Student Life Committee Studies the concerns and well-being of the Meredith College community. Any student may bring a campus concern to the Student Life Committee. Chair: Lia Hasapis

WINGS is the student organization that represents adult students seeking an undergraduate degree at Meredith College. They may be commuters or they may live on campus. The greatest populations of nontraditional students are 23 years old and greater but non-traditional students also may include younger women who are married or have children. The organization's purpose is to provide information, fellowship, support and leadership opportunities for all non-traditional students as well as to serve as a liaison between non-traditional students and the campus community. President: Julie Sullivan

Publications

Meredith College students publish *The Meredith Herald*, a weekly newspaper; *The Colton Review*, an annual arts and literary journal; and the *Oak Leaves*, an annual yearbook. Student editors and their staffs, supported by college funding and guidance of faculty advisers, take full responsibility for editing and producing these publications. The *Meredith Herald* and *Oak Leaves* supplement their budgets with the

proceeds of other approved fundraising activities. The staff of each publication is further guided by a constitution approved by the Student Government Association (SGA) Senate.

Student publications operate with full editorial independence, free from prior approval of copy. Their endeavors, however, take place within the context of the Meredith community and with an awareness of the college's mission. Editorial staffs maintain professional standards of journalistic integrity, social responsibility and ethics. They obey copyright laws. The College itself assumes no responsibility for the content of student publications.

The Colton Review (A Journal of Art and Literature) *The Colton Review* is the student literary magazine and includes poetry, prose, and art. Published once yearly and distributed free of charge, The Colton Review accepts literary submissions from all interested writers and art submissions from the Meredith community. Work is juried and only the strongest entries are published. Co-Editors: Rebecca Dowdy and Alex Rouch

The Meredith Herald *The Meredith Herald*, the student newspaper, is both a vehicle for keeping the community informed and a permanent record of events that take place at Meredith. It is the medium that allows for total campus involvement through news coverage, letters to the editor, editorials, features, cartoons, or special columns. As readers and as contributors, all members of the Meredith community have both the privilege and the responsibility to contribute to the success of the paper. Editor: Sarah Kiser

Oak Leaves The college yearbook, *Oak Leaves*, strives to capture the best memories of each year at Meredith. *Oak Leaves* shows the college campus, the academic departments and faculty, the administrative staff, the classes and their special events, the campus organizations, and the athletic and social programs offered each year. Yearbooks of the previous year are provided during the fall semester of each academic year to all full-time students. Students who are not full-time both semesters may pay for a yearbook. Seniors are responsible for having yearbooks mailed to them the fall semester following graduation or for picking them up at the College before the fall semester ends. Photographers are scheduled by the yearbook staff to photograph students, but it is the student's responsibility to make an appointment, have the appropriate photograph made, and provide any additional information needed. Editor: Quinn Ostendarp

Event Planning Associations

Meredith Activities Board

The purpose of MAB (Meredith Activities Board) is to encourage active participation by the students of Meredith College through providing a variety of social and entertainment events. These events will promote unity, community, and fellowship on campus. Events include, but are not limited to the following: Comedy Night, MC Block Party, Fall Fest, day trips (such as the movies and Busch Gardens), White Iris Ball, and more. President: Lainey Ward

Meredith International Association

Shares knowledge and understanding of the different cultures in the Meredith community. Serves as a support group for international students in the Meredith community. Promotes interest in other cultures,

as well as explores cultural values and social and political issues through interaction with other students, faculty, administration, and community groups. To facilitate this purpose, the members of the association sponsor MIA Week activities each year. President: Marie Johnson

Meredith Recreation Association

Provides co-curricular recreation activities for the entire college community. These activities include Cornhuskin', Stunt, and Little Friends Weekend. Persons interested in MRA are encouraged to contact an MRA officer, attend an MRA meeting, or email mra@email.meredith.edu. Every student who attends an MRA meeting is a member of the Meredith Recreation Association. President: Samantha Hester

Religious Organizations

Many opportunities for worship, conversation, "hands-on" ministry, lectures, retreats, conferences, and more are available to the Meredith community. The Meredith Christian Association welcomes students of all faiths and denominations. An Interfaith Council, under the administrative supervision of the chaplain, guides and coordinates all religious organizations granted permission to form a campus organization. Students interested in forming a campus religious organization or club must submit the appropriate documents to the SGA Senate for consideration for approval.

Better Together; IFYC at Meredith

The purpose of Better Together shall be to bring students of varying religious and philosophical worldviews together through promoting the ideas of interfaith cooperation as an active campus in the Interfaith Youth Core's Better Together movement. This work shall be done through respectful voicing of religious/philosophical beliefs and sharing of opinions, engaging in interfaith dialogue, and taking action through commitment to campus and community change.

President: Emily Berrier

Catholic Angels

Supported by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Raleigh, Catholic Angels is the Catholic campus ministry at Meredith College. Catholic Angels ministers to the spiritual, social and theological needs of the students, faculty and administration. We stress the values of social justice and participate in programs reaching out to the community at large. Although this group was established to minister to Catholics, it is open to all persons interested in this faith or being a part of this community. President: Sophia Weiner-Siegel

Cru

Communicates the truth of Jesus Christ and the gospel in a sensitive, relevant manner to students on campus. Provides opportunities for students to grow and be equipped for a lifetime of Christian service through Bible studies, conferences, retreats, socials, and community events. Provides multiple opportunities to be involved in mission work locally, interculturally, and internationally. Encourages an atmosphere of prayer for students and faculty. President: Mary Margaret Gill

Every Nation Campus Ministries

A diverse and multicultural group of Christian students, staff, and associate members, ENCM is committed to sharing the good news of life in Jesus Christ, helping people in their relationship with God, and providing students with training for victorious Christian living, leadership, and excellence. We strive to make a positive impact on the Meredith campus by developing students, offering biblical solutions to contemporary problems, and serving every facet of the Meredith community and ultimately the world. We often partner with the ENCM chapter at NC State, are known for our after-after-parties, make deep friendships, and are in passionate pursuit of God. President: Marie Johnson

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

The purpose of FCA shall be to provide a campus ministry that is geared toward helping athletes, coaches, and those whom they influence to learn more about Jesus Christ and serving Him. Our vision is to see our campus and world impacted for Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes. President: TBA

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

IVCF is an interdenominational multi-ethnic campus ministry open to all students. This group offers a fellowship where its members unite to share their faith in Jesus and help one another grow as disciples and witnesses to God's love and forgiveness. We offer student-led small groups where people are known, loved, and challenged on a personal level. Additionally, our weekly Community Night gatherings, social events, and other activities provide opportunities to develop life-long friendships and to grow spiritually. We care about the people and things that Jesus cares about, and our commitment to justice helps to connect us to our campus and community in meaningful ways. President: Indyah Bryant

Lutheran Campus Ministry-Raleigh

The purpose of this organization is to conduct, support and interpret Lutheran Ministry for Meredith College students. This ministry seeks to assist people in academic settings at Meredith College to discover and fulfill their vocation in Jesus Christ. President: Megan Cassimatis

Muslim Student Association

MSA is a student-run organization, and membership is open to anyone who is interested in joining. The purpose of MSA is to serve the best interest of Islam and Muslims at Meredith College. MSA will promote friendship and understanding between Muslim students and the non-Muslim Meredith community, share knowledge and practices of Islam, serve as a support group for Muslim students in the community, and conduct social, cultural, educational and religious activities on behalf of and for its members and the Meredith community at large. President: Lina Chaarawi

Reformed University Fellowship

Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) is a campus ministry of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). RUF seeks to serve the individuals at Meredith College from Presbyterian backgrounds while also welcoming and serving any individual at Meredith College who would like to be a part of our community regardless of their faith background. RUF exists to serve the students of Meredith College and in the Raleigh area by equipping them to grow in their faith and their love for Jesus as well as equipping them to

serve the specific campus of which they are a part. Large Group meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at N.C. State University. Small group meetings are held in various locations on Meredith's campus throughout the week. All are welcome. President: Logan Joyner

Young Life College

The purpose of YLC is to help Meredith students grow in community with one another, explore questions about God, and develop their leadership skills to better serve their peers and those younger than them in the surrounding community. YLC offers a fun, accepting community for college students to be part of while exploring or deepening their own Christian faith, providing opportunities for college students to engage in Young Life ministry with local middle school and high school students, and offering activities like weekly club meetings, small group Bible studies, and community service opportunities in an effort to positively impact the campus and surrounding community. President: Olivia McKain

Service Organizations

Circle K

The purpose of the Meredith College chapter of Circle K International, in conjunction with other collegiate chapters of this organization, is to promote the emotional and physical well-being of families (placing special emphasis on children) through monetary donations, service projects, and individual volunteer work in the Raleigh area and wherever their services may be needed.

President: Genesis Martinez

Curamericas

The Curamericas club is a service-based public health organization. The club works in partnership with the nonprofit organization, Curamericas Global, which is based out of Raleigh, NC. The main goal of Curamericas Global is to provide healthcare services to mothers and children in impoverished communities around the world. The Meredith College club assists Curamericas Global with fundraising event planning, and other projects. They also have a separate goal as an organization to carry out local public health based service projects such as working with children's hospitals, volunteering with national organizations, and participating in networking and other local events. This organization is open to all people of all majors and is an effective way to gain service, fundraising, and nonprofit experience.

President: Marissa Stephenson

Sisters United

Sisters United is an organization that promotes opportunities for the advancement of women worldwide. We work to raise awareness and combat issues such as human trafficking, domestic violence, and sexual assault through awareness events, trainings, and volunteering. President: Lindsey Norris

Classes

Freshman Class President: TBD

Sophomore Class President: Alexis Stephens

Junior Class President: Alli Barrow

Senior Class President: Hannah Howell

Class officers coordinate traditional class events.

Clubs

American Chemical Society

ACS is a professional association for chemists, chemical engineers, and professionals from other related fields. ACS is the largest scientific society in the world. Membership to the MCACS will give an opportunity for students of a chemical science to become better acquainted with chemistry, to secure the intellectual stimulation that arises from a professional association, to obtain experience in preparing and presenting technical material before chemical audiences, and to foster a professional spirit among the members. ACS activities include Science Fest, Chemistry Career Panel, National Chemistry Week Celebrations at Museum of Natural Sciences, etc. President: Jessica Bunn

American Choral Directors Association (ACDA)

ACDA is the organization for prospective choral directors, potential music educators, and those interested in music here at Meredith. Nationally, it consists of professional choir directors that participate in the organization and help attend and set up ACDA conferences. At Meredith, the club works to foster a love for music. President: Savannah Hahn

American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA)

AIGA (American Institute of Graphic Arts) is the premier professional association for graphic design. This is the first place designers go to discover it, discuss it, understand it, appreciate it, and be inspired by it. Here at the Meredith chapter we exchange creative ideas and information, participate in group critical analysis, research and advance education, and partner with other local and national AIGA chapters. The purpose of AIGA is to set the national agenda for the role of design in economic, social, political and cultural contexts while also providing students experience designing with their fellow peers. AIGA is the oldest and largest membership association for professionals of all backgrounds and experiences and is the first welcoming step to the wider world design. President: Katherine Dorn

American Society of Interior Designers

The ASID Student Chapter at Meredith College is a national professional association for interior designers that helps to provide opportunities that promote professional development. Members are encouraged to participate in networking events with current students, alumnae, and professionals within the interior design industry. The chapter also allows members the opportunity to attend conferences as well as local and national chapter events. Membership is open to majors and minors in interior design. Co-Presidents: Kathryn McNeill and Lauren Hopper

Angeles Latinas

Angeles Latinas serves a dual role at Meredith College addressing the concerns of self-identified Latinas, thus resulting in the education of our culture on Meredith College's campus as ethnic minorities. Members will include students who self-identify as Latinas and others who are interested in learning about or support the Latino culture and community. Angeles Latinas will promote sisterhood among self-identified Latinas at Meredith College through academic support, building of identity, and community involvement. Angeles Latinas hopes to serve as an educational environment, developing understanding in our community by promoting campus dialogue through discussions, cultural events, lectures, and

recreational activities. Co-Presidents: Brenda Perez & Pamela Gonzalez

Angels for the Environment

Angels for the Environment (A4E) is Meredith College's primary environmental organization. The mission of A4E is to increase awareness of environmental issues, engage Meredith students in projects to help the environment, and to provide opportunities for students to appreciate the environment. Throughout the year, A4E hosts meetings which focus on educating students about a variety of environmental issues. A4E also engages its members through service projects, outdoor activities, and activism. For the wider campus community, A4E puts on events such as environmentally-themed game nights, documentary screenings, and an annual stargazing night. A4E is a sisterhood of passionate women who love the environment and who actively make a difference. President: Sarah Shelton

Arab Culture Club

The purpose of this club is to help foster an appreciation for the Arabic language and Arab culture among students from all backgrounds, Arabs and non-Arabs. Along with the cultural aspects Arab Club would use this as a platform to bring awareness to conflicts within the Middle East, and to help spread understanding and tolerance at Meredith. The Arab club welcomes all to learn and experience the many traditions, cultural dishes, dances, and songs that are found across the Arab countries. President: Noor Elmaghrabi

Artists' Alliance

The purpose of the Artists' Alliance is to provide fellowship through a series of informative lectures, social activities, and community events that enhance the Meredith learning experience. President: Victoria Mulcahy

Avenging News

Avenging News is a student-led organization that helps members of the Meredith community learn skills that include video production, photography, script writing, public speaking, and video/photo editing. The purpose is to help students gain a digital experience that is necessary in a news studio but can be carried to a variety of disciplines. Co-Presidents: Yessy Anorve-Basoria and Indyah Bryant

Black Student Union

The purpose of the Black Student Union is to support and empower strong Black (Black Africans, and other Afro cultures) women and unify and promote positive perceptions of Black cultures. The Black Student Union promotes awareness of Black cultures on Meredith's campus through assisting in the planning and organizing of events and programs geared towards the interest of Black students. The Black Student Union also seeks to encourage interaction with diverse student organizations at Meredith College and surrounding campuses in order to promote diversity and acknowledge and celebrate the cultural diversity found within the Meredith College community. President: Daphne Moore

Broyhill Business Fellows

The purpose of Broyhill Business Fellows is to take a leadership role in the Business School by participating in activities that enhance skills, planning special functions, and projects throughout the year, and improving the communication between students and faculty of the School of Business. Members should set an example of excellence and contribute to the improvement of the School,

College, and broader society through leadership and service activities. President: Carol Jablonski

Canaday Math & Computer Science Club

The Canaday Math and Computer Science Club, or Math/CS Club, promotes interest in mathematics and computer science and provides information on the current applications of these subject areas.

Membership is comprised of students and faculty that have an interest in mathematics or computer science. President: Catherine Jones

College Democrats

The purpose of College Democrats is to stimulate college students' political thought and interest in government affairs and to support and promote the ideals and principles of the Democratic Party of the United States. President: TBA

College Republicans

The College Republicans Club holds monthly meetings and planned activities in order to get students involved in politics and to make them more aware of the party's principles and ideals. President: TBA

Colton English Club

Encourages participation of all students who are English majors or who have English-related interests.

Named after Miss Elizabeth Avery Colton, a professor of English at Meredith from 1908 to 1920.

President: Abigail Ojeda

Communication Club

The Communication Club provides an opportunity for the education and fellowship of Meredith College Communication majors and those interested in the fields of human and mass communication. The club seeks to offer opportunities for growth and development in the

Communication field, including panels, speakers, internships, socials, and networking relationships.

President: Hannah Naylor

Extra Theatre Company

Provides an organized forum through which Meredith students may produce theatrical works that are not a part of the scheduled theatrical season. Membership is open to all Meredith students interested in theatre.

President: TBA

Female Empowerment at Meredith

Fem. or Female Empowerment at Meredith is a group that seeks to bring Meredith students together in a judgment-free environment for discussion of various topics concerning society, culture, and the female experience. Fem. also often participates in service projects and community engagement opportunities surrounding women's rights and issues of gender injustice and inequality. President: Rachel Crawford

FUEGO

FUEGO is a Latin Fusion Dance Team whose purpose is to form lasting bonds between members while educating individuals about the Latin culture through the art of dance. President: TBA

History and Politics Club

The club promotes awareness of historical perspectives in relationship with today's problems, focuses on political problems, and fosters an interest in the study of history and politics. The club also monitors current events and is dedicated to sponsoring related activities as well as serving as a means of cultural exchange among all Meredith students who have an interest in history or politics. President: Huma Hashmi

International Society of Pharmaceutical Engineering

The Student Chapter of ISPE is a club that focuses on building a network of professional connections between Meredith College students and professionals and companies in the Raleigh area. The club opens up many opportunities for internships and jobs through the connections made at conferences, club meetings, volunteering, and company tours. President: Delena Carcamo-Melgar

La Tertulia Spanish Club

Promotes interest, on and off campus, of the Spanish language and cultures by presenting informative programs and cultural activities involving the Hispanic communities abroad and here in the USA. President: TBA

Le Cercle Francais French Club

Fosters interest in and a better understanding of the French language and culture. President: TBA

Meredith Accounting and Finance Association

Established in 1985 for all students with an interest in the field of accounting and finance. Informs students of current accounting and finance issues and educates them about available career alternatives. Co-Presidents: Ellen Blevins and Janelle Sandford

Meredith Advocates for Young Children

Open to all students in child development and related fields. Committed to improving the quality and availability of services for children from birth through age eight. Activities include speakers, discussions, hands-on learning and volunteer opportunities. President: Alexis Tennant

Meredith Anime Angels

The purpose of MAA shall be to provide a special interest group that can help Meredith students connect to others having the same interests. MAA will strive to expand Meredith College's understanding of Japanese culture and offer ways to join the information/influence of anime with many different majors and fields of study, such as history, ethics, philosophy, graphic design, etc. MAA will also encourage community participation in relevant events such as local conventions. MAA will provide a safe and friendly environment in which Meredith students can watch, discuss, and critique anime. President: Savi Swiggard

Meredith Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

A national professional organization open to students majoring in any area of human environmental sciences (i.e., child development, foods and nutrition, clothing and fashion merchandising, interior design

and family and consumer sciences). President: Carolyn Saylor

Meredith Educators

Meredith Educators is the organization for students who are interested in teaching and education- related issues on the Meredith College campus. This organization seeks to provide knowledge, support, discovery, and connection in the educational field through speakers, workshops, service events, networking, and professional development. President: Allie Manchester

Meredith Fashion Association

Provides for the professional development of fashion merchandising and design students at Meredith College and those involved in the CRC program. Membership is open to students majoring/minoring in clothing and fashion merchandising and those who have a general interest in this major.

Co-Presidents: Gatlin Chandler and Marely Topete

Meredith Future Therapists

Meredith Future Therapists is an organization for students who are interested in therapeutic fields such as occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech therapy. This organization seeks to provide support, connection and knowledge through speakers, volunteer opportunities, and socials. As a result they hope students will become prepared to apply for graduate school, develop contacts with professionals in the therapeutic fields, and gain a more confident understanding of therapeutic fields. President: TBA

Meredith Health Professions Society

The purpose of this organization is to encourage excellence in pre-health (pre-medical, pre-dental, pre veterinary, etc.) study. Our endeavors promote cooperation and contact between pre-health students and health professionals within the community. Other endeavors encourage pre-health students to provide their services to the surrounding community. We also aid in the gathering and binding of students with similar interests for the benefit of, charities, the community, and for themselves. This organization provides opportunities to improve participation, not only for the Meredith community, but also for the greater Raleigh community and beyond, while aiding our members in better preparing themselves for future goals. President: Rana Oueijan

Meredith Hues

Meredith Hues is a volunteer group of multicultural freshmen who promote the College to multicultural high school students by attending college fairs with admission counselors, participating in student panels at open house events, and building relationships with prospective and admitted high school students.

President: TBA

Meredith Immigrant and Refugee Club

The purpose of this club is to help any refugee or immigrant in need, but more specifically those in the Raleigh area. Activities include service work in the Meredith community and surrounding areas and exposing students to a community of refugees and current events in the world. President: Ana Lucia Rodriguez

Meredith Nutrition and Wellness Association

Designed for any major interested in topics related to nutrition and wellness. Established in 1989 to promote nutrition throughout the Meredith campus and surrounding Raleigh areas, to market the dietetics program at Meredith College, and to explore career opportunities in the areas of nutrition, food service and wellness. President: Lizzie Gildner

Model United Nations

Promotes the understanding of functions, structures, procedures, committees, and principle organs of the United Nations. The club seeks to develop a greater knowledge of the nations of the world, their policies, and the nature of their involvement in the United Nations. The club also attends at least one Model United Nations conference a year. President: TBA

National Alliance on Mental Illness

The purpose of the Meredith College chapter of NAMI is to fulfill the purpose of the national organization. NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. This organization focuses on educating, supporting, and spreading awareness regarding the topic of mental health and mental health issues. We offer support to those who have mental illness or are affected by mental illness. President: Jessica Disher

National Association for Music Educators

Conducts programs and activities that build a vital musical culture as well as an enlightened musical public. President: Jasmine Barnes

Native American Student Association

The purpose of the Native American Student Association is to raise awareness about Native Americans through cultural engagement, recognition of the eight tribes of North Carolina, and implementing traditions. Native American speakers, potters, and other significant figures will visit Meredith to enhance NASA'S purpose. Our association will not discriminate against members who are not Native American and we highly recommend that non-Native Americans join as well. President: Ashley Graham

Peer Educators Advocating Responsible LifeStyles (PEARLS)

PEARLS is a student-led initiative that addresses health topics related to college-aged students. The goal of PEARLS is to have peer educators provide students with the necessary information to help them make informed decisions about their health. The group is comprised of proactive, energetic students who have an interest in health promotion and want to make a difference at Meredith. President: Rachel Reis

People Opening Eyes Through Speech

The purpose of POETS (People Opening Eyes Through Speech) shall be to increase student awareness of spoken word poetry and create opportunities for students to engage with that art form. President: Rachel Crawford

Psychology Club

Shares the importance of psychology with members of the Meredith community and beyond. Emphasis on interesting aspects of psychology and having fun through events like Psychology Week, the Special Populations Dance, the Carolinas Psychology Conference, and other special projects. President: TBA

Social Work Club

Members participate in social justice-related activities on campus and in the community to promote interest and awareness in the field of social work, as well as serves as the student advisory club to the social work program. All majors are welcome. President: Lindsey Norris

Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)

A professional society that allows students the opportunity to participate in programs that will enhance job skills and networking opportunities. A concentration in human resources is not required to become a member of SHRM. Affiliated with Raleigh-Wake Human Resource Management Association. President: Callie Crawford

Sociology/Criminology Club

This organization is for sociology/criminology majors or minors and anyone who is interested in sociology or criminology. The club sponsors events such as Sociology/Criminology Week and is involved with the social needs within in our community. Co-Presidents: Leah Foil and Haley Parish

Spectrum

Meredith's gay-straight alliance provides a support group for all members of the campus community who have concerns regarding issues of sexual orientation. Members include people who identify as lesbian, bisexual or transgender; people with family and friends who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender; and others who are interested and supportive. Spectrum serves as an educational forum, fostering tolerance and understanding by promoting campus dialogue through films, discussions, and lectures. President: Avni Chaudhari

Sports Science Association

This organization explores the importance and the use of sport in the community through various activities including: attending sporting events at school and in the community; volunteering at health or sport related events; recruiting local professional guest speakers; and participating in other social activities for the interest of the members. Membership is open to any interested Meredith student. President: Maggie Griffin

Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)

SAAC provides athletes' input regarding institutional athletic policies in order to enhance the total student-athlete experience, promote opportunity for participation in athletics, protect student-athlete welfare and foster a positive student athlete image. President: TBA

Tavola Italiana

Tavola Italiana is a club for students who have an interest in Italian culture, language, and food. This group welcomes all to join for further discovery and celebration of all things Italian. President: Lilly Wood

White Iris Circle

The White Iris Circle enhances the image of Meredith College by using the talents of students in recruitment events. The White Iris Circle is an invitation-only organization. Students will be invited to join based on their academics, leadership, and ability to promote Meredith. President: Alexan Bailey

Honor Societies

Alpha Kappa Delta

Alpha Kappa Delta acknowledges and promotes excellence in scholarship in the study of sociology, the research of social problems, and such other social and intellectual activities as will lead to improvement in the human condition. Co-Presidents: Sami Schmidt and Haley-Anne Parish

Alpha Lambda Delta

The national honor society for first-year students. Freshmen who have completed their first semester with an overall GPA of 3.5 and rank in the top 20% of their class are inducted during the spring semester. President: Hailey Camper

Alpha Psi Omega

Honorary national theatre fraternity. Membership is earned by theatre participation both on stage and backstage and also by maintaining a high grade point average. President: Emeligh Eiden

Alpha Sigma Lambda

Alpha Sigma Lambda National Honor Society is devoted to the advancement of scholarship and recognition of nontraditional students pursuing their first bachelor's degree. A nontraditional student at Meredith College is identified as a woman 23 years of age or older at the time she begins classes in her most recent admission to Meredith College. Students invited for Alpha Sigma Lambda membership induction are identified as being in the top 20% of the class of nontraditional students seeking a first baccalaureate degree who are matriculated in an undergraduate degree program and who have earned at least 24 graded credits at Meredith College, with a 3.2 minimum GPA. These college credits must not include transfer credits, and at least twelve credits of the student's total credits (transfer and Meredith combined) should be earned in courses in Liberal Arts/Sciences, not including applied Arts/Sciences courses.

Chapter Councilor: Tom Manning

Beta Beta Beta

The Tau Xi Chapter of Beta Beta Beta was installed at Meredith in 1982. The organization recognizes the interest and achievement of faculty and students in biology. Members are junior or senior science majors who have taken at least 12 credit hours in biology and have a 3.2 average in biology courses and a 3.0 GPA overall. President: Olivia Higgs

Edwin H. Sutherland Criminology Honor Society

The Criminology Honor Society fosters a community of young scholars dedicated to enhancing their

understanding of the causes, prevention, control and treatment of crime and delinquency. The Society also strives to link the mission of the College to help its members become more well-rounded and effective academicians and practitioners in the many fields of criminology and criminal justice with a commitment to social justice and service through their community internship placement.

Co-Presidents: Leah Foil and Alexis Jones

Iota Sigma Pi

The purpose of Iota Sigma Pi is to promote excellence and service in the field of chemistry. Iota Sigma Pi is an honor society for women in chemistry that strives to not only encourage excellence within individuals, but also to strive to reach out and encourage excellence within others. This organization wishes to aid in establishing a more predominant image of women in the field of chemistry and showing the world around them that women can excel in a field that has historically been predominantly male. Iota Sigma Pi will engage in service projects to reach out to the world around them, such as in low income communities, in order to promote education not only in our generation, but the next generation as well. This type of service enables the organization not only to come together but also to branch out and set an example of successful and caring women. These service projects will allow for members to see the difference that they can make in the world. President: TBA

Kappa Delta Pi

An international honor society that promotes excellence in and recognizes outstanding contributions to education. Kappa Delta Pi strives to maintain a high degree of professional fellowship among its members, to quicken professional growth, and to honor achievement in educational work. To these ends, it invites to membership persons who exhibit commendable professional qualities, worthy educational ideals, and sound scholarship, without regard to race, age, color, religion, sex, or disability. Membership is composed of those students who excel and maintain excellence in the department of education. Students must be accepted into the department of education; additionally, undergraduate students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 and graduate students must maintain a GPA of 3.75.

President: Stephanie Zavaleta

Kappa Nu Sigma

Organized in 1923, this scholastic honor society takes its name from three Greek words Kallos, Nous, and Sophia, meaning beauty, sound mindedness, and intelligence. The purpose of the society is to promote scholarship at Meredith. Membership is limited to students with junior hours who have a 3.9 GPA or better and students with senior hours who have a 3.8 GPA or better. At least 59 of these hours must be taken at Meredith. President: Sydney Spadaro

Kappa Omicron Nu

Kappa Omicron Nu is a national Honor Society for students seeking a major in the Human Environmental Sciences Department and Nutrition, Health, and Human Performance Department at Meredith College. The four majors in Human Environmental Sciences include: child development, fashion merchandising and design, family and consumer sciences, and interior design. The two majors in Nutrition, Health, & Human Performance include sports science and foods and nutrition. Students are chosen from the sophomore, junior and senior classes for this honor. To be eligible for membership, a student must have a minimum

grade point average of 3.0 (overall and at Meredith) and be in the upper 25% of her class, have declared a major (first and second majors) in the Department of Human Environmental Sciences and Nutrition, Health & Human Performance, have completed 45 semester hours and have shown evidence of superior personal qualities and leadership potential. Students join Kappa Omicron Nu by invitation only. President: Ana Lucia Rodriguez

Kappa Pi

Kappa Pi is an Honorary Art Fraternity. Eligibility for membership is based primarily on achievement in the field of art. Minimum requirements for consideration for membership is the completion of twelve semester hours of art courses at Meredith, a 3.0 GPA in art courses (on a 4.0 scale), and a 2.0 overall GPA. Using these minimum requirements as a baseline, the art department faculty nominate students to membership. Individuals are nominated because they have committed themselves to truth, sincerity, excellence, and achievement in their daily lives. Furthermore, these individuals have set personal goals to challenge themselves to reach their full potential. President: Victoria Mulcahy

Lambda Pi Eta

Lambda Pi Eta recognizes, fosters, and rewards outstanding scholastic achievement in communication studies; promotes and encourages professional development among communication majors; provides an opportunity to discuss and exchange ideas in the field of communication; and establishes and maintains closer relationships and mutual understanding between communication studies faculty and students. President: TBA

National Honor Society for Dance Arts

The Purpose of NHSDA shall be to encourage exploration of dance education pedagogy, choreography, performance, research, community outreach, and advocacy in the context of a broad dance program. NHSDA will stimulate dialogue and networking between students, faculty and experts in the field to promote the use of standards in dance education curriculum and teaching methods. Finally, NHSDA will strive to develop future leaders in the field of dance arts education and performance. President: Hannah Geelhart

Omicron Delta Epsilon

The International Honor Society for Economics is one of the world's largest academic honor societies. Omicron Delta Epsilon has 652 chapters located in the United States, Canada, Australia, the United Kingdom, Mexico, Puerto Rico, South Africa, Egypt, France, and United Arab Emirates. It is not required that students major in economics in order to become members. Membership is available to any student with a genuine interest in the study of economics. Undergraduate candidates for election to membership in any chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon must have an overall scholastic average of at least a 3.1; have completed at least twelve credits in economics (ECO courses) with an average of 3.2 or better; and have taken at least 6 hours of ECO courses at Meredith College. Adviser: Dr. Anne York

Phi Alpha

The national social work honor society. Membership is open to Meredith students who are admitted to the social work program, have completed at least six semester hours of social work, and have an overall grade

point average of 3.0. President: Tania Martinez

Phi Alpha Theta

An honor society that recognizes undergraduate students who have demonstrated a vital interest in history by excelling in their study of history and in their overall academic studies. Membership is by invitation only. Adviser: Dr. Dan Fountain

Phi Beta Lambda

Phi Beta Lambda seeks to develop and demonstrate business knowledge and leadership skills through academic competitions, community service projects, fundraising activities, and networking. President: Sydney Spadaro

Pi Delta Phi

National French honor society. To be eligible for membership a student must have taken five courses in French including one in French literature. She must have a GPA of 2.8 in general studies and have a 3.0 average in French. President: Nour Nachet

Pi Kappa Lambda

National honorary society for musicians. Members are chosen from the faculty, graduate students, senior and junior classes each year based on scholastic achievement and musicianship. Adviser: Dr. Jim Waddelow

Pi Mu Epsilon

A national society that promotes scholarly activity in mathematics. For overall eligibility, a student must have credit for at least two calculus courses and a minimum of two other courses at the 200 level or above. A minimum of two courses must have been taken at Meredith. Specifically, to be eligible for membership, a senior (90 or more credit hours) must have completed at least six courses in mathematics at the 200 level or above with a grade point average of 3.2 or higher. In addition, she must maintain an overall grade point average of at least 3.0 or higher or be in the upper third of her class, whichever is higher. A junior (60 to 89 credit hours) must have completed at least five courses in mathematics at the 200 level or above with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. In addition, she must maintain an overall grade point average of at least 3.2 or be in the upper quarter of her class, whichever is higher. A sophomore (26 to 59 credit hours) must have completed at least four courses in mathematics with a grade point average of 4.0. In addition, she must maintain an overall grade point average of at least 3.2 or be in the upper quarter of her class, whichever is higher. President: TBA

Pi Sigma Alpha

The National Political Science Honor Society. Student members shall be initiated from among juniors, seniors, or graduate students as they meet the following qualifications: completion of fifteen quarter hours or ten semester hours of work in political science including at least one course not open to students in the first two years of collegiate work; maintenance of an average grade of "B" or higher in all courses in political science, and maintenance of general scholarship to place such students within the upper third of their class; and fulfillment of any additional requirements prescribed by the Meredith chapter. The chapter

Secretary-treasurer and the chapter adviser shall certify the eligibility of student initiates. No elections of initiates shall be necessary. Adviser: Dr. Whitney Manzo

Psi Chi

The national honor society in psychology, Psi Chi is both an affiliate of the American Psychological Association and a member of the Association of College Honor Societies. To be eligible for membership, a student must be in the top 35 percent of her class in general scholarship, have an overall 3.0 average in psychology, have completed three semesters of college courses and be a registered major or minor in psychology. President: Victoria Penna

Sigma Delta Pi

National Spanish honor society. Requirements for membership are completion of at least six semester hours in the 300 level of Spanish at Meredith or the equivalent (including at least three semester hours in a 300 level literature course) with a minimum GPA of 3.0 in these classes, rank in the upper 35 percent of her respective class, and completion of at least three semesters of the college career.

Adviser: Dr. Astrid Billat

Sigma Tau Delta

National English Honor Society. This organization recognizes English majors and minors for their academic achievements in the English language and literature. The Alpha Iota Rho chapter of Sigma Tau Delta was established at Meredith in the spring of 2000. To be eligible, Meredith students must have declared their English major or minor and should have completed at least three semesters of course work while maintaining a GPA of 3.0 or better in their English courses, and rank in the top 35% of their class. Inductions will be held in the spring semester. President: TBA

Silver Shield

Honorary leadership society that serves to recognize junior and senior students who promote by example and precept a well-rounded student life, an understanding between faculty and students, a high standard of honor and cooperation in the student body, the ideals and traditions of Meredith, and commitment to the honor system. Members are selected from the rising and present senior classes by members of the organization and the faculty. The selection is made on the basis of constructive leadership, honor, service to the school, and scholarship. President: Catherine Jones

Theta Alpha Kappa

National honor society for the academic study of religion. This organization is to promote and recognize excellence in the academic study of religion; promotes student research in the field; and provides a forum for the exchange of shared interests. President: Ellie Jones

Cultural Programs

Campus-sponsored cultural programs are generally open free of charge to Meredith students. Such opportunities are part of the total educational experience.

- Convocations provide a forum for spiritual, intellectual, cultural, and social ideas through speakers or performances from various fields.
- Symposia are offered occasionally to explore in-depth ideas and issues of concern to the College community.
- Arts series include:
 - ❖ Meredith Performs Series—Student theater, music, and dance productions, as well as other outstanding artists, lecturers, and performers, enhance the College’s program.
 - ❖ Recitals—Meredith students, faculty, and guests perform in concert.
 - ❖ Art Exhibits—Student art majors and other artists display their works at the galleries in Johnson Hall and Gaddy-Hamrick Art Center, as well as other campus locations.
- Lectures—Regionally and nationally acclaimed proponents of the arts speak on campus. Convocation, Worship, Student Assembly/Meetings. The period from 10 to 10:50 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays is reserved for convocation, worship, and assemblies. Convocations for the entire Meredith community are held throughout the year. As an integral part of the academic program, these convocations are planned to stimulate and add to the community’s spiritual, intellectual, and cultural enrichment. All students are encouraged to attend. Services of worship are on Wednesdays. The community seeks to foster its heritage as a Christian institution by meeting together regularly for worship. All members of the College community are encouraged to attend. Student assemblies convene on Mondays or Fridays. They may be required as deemed necessary by the Executive Board of the Student Government Association or by the Student Senate.

Intercollegiate Athletics

Meredith offers opportunities for participation on eight intercollegiate teams: basketball, cross country, softball, lacrosse, soccer, tennis, track and field, and volleyball. Cross-country, soccer and volleyball are offered in the fall, with practice beginning the week prior to the first day of classes. Tennis practice begins after classes start and includes a short fall schedule of competition with the official season in the spring. Basketball and indoor track compete during the winter season, followed by softball, lacrosse, tennis, and outdoor track in the spring. Students who wish to participate in one or more sports are encouraged to confer with coaches for consideration.

Students also have the option of participating as team managers and event staff.

For contact information of individual coaches please follow the link:

<http://www.goavengingangels.com/information/directory/index> or contact Jackie Myers, Athletics Director, in the Office of Athletics at 919-760-8205.

Performing Arts

Dance & Theatre Companies

Meredith Dance Theatre (MDT) is a faculty-directed contemporary modern dance company. Students take company class twice per week in fall and spring; participate in guest artist residencies; produce a full concert each November; and travel to an American College Dance Association conference each Spring. Participation in MDT is by auditions held in April, August, and November each academic year. For further information contact Carol Finley, Artistic Director, at 919-760-8015.

DanceWorks

The Dance Program's spring concert, DanceWorks, is open to all Meredith students to choreograph and perform any genre of dance. Student choreographers hold auditions, rehearse weekly, and participate in a series of faculty-guided showings and adjudications throughout the semester. Faculty and guest artists create work in repertory classes that are open to all Meredith students. Students register for DAN 461 or 462 to participate.

Meredith Jazz and Tap Company

A student-directed performance group for jazz and tap genres that performs a full show each year and participates in DanceWorks and other campus activities. Auditions are held each fall during the first week of classes. Contact Carol Finley (919-760-8015) for further information.

Meredith Ensemble Theatre (MET)

Meredith Ensemble Theatre offers a season of theatre to Raleigh and the campus community. This performance series serves as the principle laboratory experience for students majoring in theatre. Volunteers also come from other majors, staff, faculty, and friends of the College. Extensive theatre experience is not required to work with MET, but plan to work hard, make friends, learn, and have fun. Actors, singers, and dancers come to open auditions for main stage and studio productions. Backstage production staff can stage manage or help with sets, properties, costumes and makeup, lighting and sound, the box office, or publicity. You may choose to receive credit for your involvement associated with productions by registering for a theatre practicum. See the theatre faculty or visit http://www.meredith.edu/academics/schools/arts_and_humanities/theatre/student_resources for details.

Musical Groups

Meredith Chorale

The Meredith Chorale is a prestigious touring choral group that represents Meredith on an annual tour and on many other occasions in churches, schools, and concert halls. In addition, the Chorale sings for many major campus events. Membership is by audition. A year-long commitment to the group is expected. One credit hour.

Meredith Chorus

The Meredith Chorus is a large choral ensemble, open to all students who enjoy singing. It performs frequently—in chapel, in the annual Christmas concert, off campus for both church services and concerts,

and at other campus events. Membership is open, without an audition, to all interested students. All are welcome. One credit hour.

Encore!

Encore! is a small group of singers that performs a wide variety of repertoire. Performances include concerts, dinners, club meetings and other requests made by the campus and community. Membership by audition. One credit hour.

Meredith Sinfonietta

Students who play instruments are encouraged to audition for the Meredith Sinfonietta, which rehearses regularly and performs frequently on campus and in the community. In addition, students may participate in community orchestras such as the Raleigh Symphony Orchestra. One credit hour.