

The History of Delta Kappa Lambda

Delta Kappa Lambda (DKL) is the 11th chapter of The International Marriage and Family Therapy Honor Society, *Delta Kappa*. The Lambda chapter was installed at the University of Akron's Marriage & Family Therapy program in 2015, by Ulia Fisher - its first and founding president. The chapter transitioned into the honor society from an existing and much honored Society For Advancement of Marriage and Family Counseling/Therapy (SAMFC/T), a student run organization in the MFT department.

The decision to join with *Delta Kappa* was based on the exciting opportunities and benefits that are offered by the honor society, and the vision that it sets for its chapters worldwide. Specifically, high standards in clinical work, research, education and supervision. As well as, connecting students within and outside of the chapter. Joining the honor society has made an impact on our program in its very first year. The Mentorship program, unique to our chapter, has been a runaway success with our MFT students. Lifetime friendships and connections have been made, with the benefits that come from it - such as networking, referrals and support. Other successful programs are the *DKL* Award program, giving back to the local community with an annual food drive, and training seminars. *Delta Kappa Lambda* fits our vision of the systemic paradigm, as we have shown that we can be the catalyst for positive change in our society, and advancements in the MFT field.

Delta Kappa Lambda installation:

www.deltakappamft.org/news/welcomelambda

The Vision of Delta Kappa Honor Society

Delta Kappa, The International Marriage and Family Therapy Honor Society, has three primary aims. (1) To train emerging leaders in the field of marriage and family therapy to assume the mantle of leadership in the profession; (2) To provide a structure for developing scholarly forums that present cutting edge research and theory on marriage and family therapy to practitioners on an ongoing basis at the local, state, regional, national, and international level; (3) To recognize and promote the achievements of marriage and family therapy clinicians and scholars.

Delta Kappa is making efforts to connect student and professional members across the world through events and research collaboratives, to keep the MFT profession on the cutting edge of advancements.

Delta Kappa link:

www.deltakappamft.org

Welcome to Delta Kappa Lambda. Together, we make families strong!

Ulia Fisher,
Delta Kappa Lambda, Founding President