



ALPHA SIGMA NU BOOK AWARDS ELIGIBILITY AND EVALUATION

Entries must first meet basic eligibility requirements before further evaluation. If a book is deemed ineligible, it will be eliminated from the competition. Further evaluation is heavily-weighted toward research and scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Any active or emeritus member of the faculty or administration of Alpha Sigma Nu member institutions, who has published a scholarly book, either as sole author/editor or co-author/editor, is eligible.

The submitted scholarly work must carry a publication date in the three-year period ending with the year prior to the award year. For this year's competition, the book must carry a publication date between 2013 and 2015.

The submission must be in a corresponding field to the Book Awards category for the current year. This year's category is *Professional Studies*. Works must fall under one of the following fields: *Architecture, Business Administration, Communication, Education, Engineering, Foreign Service, Law, Social Work, Counseling Psychology, etc.*

Ineligible works include text books, practitioner guides, self-published works, magazine articles, unpublished monographs, works of fiction, memoirs, and poetry collections.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- ❖ Serious and exact scholarship representing a significant contribution to the discipline
- ❖ Relevant topic of continuing importance to scholars across several disciplines
- ❖ Authority in interpretation: *depth and breadth of expertise represented*
- ❖ Spirit of objectivity
- ❖ Research findings handled with skill and assurance: *accurate, thorough, clear cross-referencing and indexing*
- ❖ Well-written and readable writing style