The Kappa Sigma Iota Endowed Scholarship Fund was established in 2005 by the Iota Alumni Association to provide scholarships to SU students who are members of the Iota Chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

The Lori & Erik Harpst Scholarship Fund was established in 2011 by the Iota Alumni Association to provide scholarships to students who need financial assistance to live on campus at the home of the Iota Chapter.

Instructions:
Please complete the attached application and submit it to the Financial Aid Office by May 1, 2020. So that the scholarship selection committee may have access to your transcript, be sure to sign your application before you submit it. You may answer questions using a separate sheet of paper.

Who may apply for these scholarships?
Any member of the Iota Chapter of the Kappa Sigma fraternity may apply if:
(1) is an active member in good standing with the fraternity,
(2) plans to enroll at the university during the 2020-2021 academic year on a full-time basis and,
(3) is making satisfactory academic progress for financial aid purposes (i.e., 2.0 cumulative GPA, completed at least 80% of all credit hours attempted, and earned no more than 175 credit hours.)

In addition to the requirements listed above, applicants for the Harpst Scholarship must be living in or have signed a lease to live in the Kappa Sigma House for a minimum period of one year.

If I am currently a pledge, may I apply for this scholarship?
Yes. You may apply for the scholarships as a pledge. Scholarship recipients must be active members in good standing with the fraternity during the period in which the award is granted.

If I meet the criteria above, does this mean I will automatically receive the scholarship?
No. These are competitive scholarships and the recipients will be selected from the pool of applicants for the scholarships.

How are the recipients selected?
Applications are solicited through announcements to the Iota Chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity. Scholarship candidates will identify themselves by completing a scholarship application, which must be submitted to the Financial Aid Office by May 1, 2020. Applications are reviewed by the Financial Aid Office. Among the eligible applicants, preference is given to members who demonstrate the highest levels of academic excellence and/or leadership in the University community. All applicants will be notified of their final status in writing by June 30, 2020.

What are the amounts of the scholarships and how many are available?
The amounts for the 2020-2021 school year have yet to be determined. The number and amount of awards will be influenced by the number and quality of applications received. The Financial Aid Office will determine who will receive the scholarships, and in what amounts.

What are the durations of the scholarships?
The Kappa Sigma Iota and Harpst Scholarships are awarded annually and are good for one year. The scholarships must be used during the regular academic year. The scholarships may not be used for summer school or for any type of program where SU funds may not be used, such as non-SU study abroad programs or the GLCA New York Semester.

Is the scholarship renewable?
The Kappa Sigma Iota and Harpst Scholarships are awarded for one year only and are not renewable. However, recipients may re-apply each year to be considered along with all other applicants for that year.

What if I have more questions about this scholarship?
You may contact the Financial Aid Office at finaid@southwestern.edu or at (512) 863-1259.
Application Deadline: May 1, 2020

Name ____________________________

Last _______ First _______ MI _______

Current Classification: ___ First-year ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior

Local Address _______________________________________________________________

Applying for (check all that apply)  ___ Kappa Sigma-Iota ___ Lori & Erik Harpst

Phone number: ________________________ E-mail Address: ___________________________

Current Cumulative GPA: ______________ Current number of hours earned: ______________

Current Major: ______________________ Minor: ________________________________

If you are an undecided major, please indicate your potential area(s) of academic interest:

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In addition to this application, please provide the following:

1. A detailed listing of any student activities, leadership roles, committees, employment experiences, community service, or any other significant activities in which you have been involved while attending Southwestern University. Also, indicate any honors, recognitions, or awards you have received while attending Southwestern University. Be sure to include details of your involvement with the Kappa Sigma fraternity. In lieu of such a listing, you may attach a resume that contains this information.

2. A personal statement that explains why you believe that you are a good candidate for the Kappa Sigma—Iota Scholarship. Include information regarding any adverse family financial circumstances that you would like the committee to consider. Statements that reflect a positive self-evaluation are strongly encouraged.

Signature Section:

With my signature below, I certify that the information provided above is true and correct, and represents my own work. I authorize the release of my grades and any additional pertinent information to the scholarship committee for the purpose of evaluating my scholarship eligibility. I understand that providing this information is subject to Southwestern’s Honor Code and that any misrepresentation of my information will subject me to possible disciplinary action and disqualify me from this scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: __________________________________________ Date: __________

Submit the completed application to the Financial Aid Office, in the Cullen Building, Suite 220, or via email to finaid@southwestern.edu.