



## Campus News



### Jefferson State's PTK Honor Society Earns "Most Distinguished" In Alabama

Jefferson State's Shelby-Hoover Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa National Honor Society earned top honors for the fifth consecutive year by earning Alabama's "Most Distinguished Chapter" during the recent Alabama Regional Convention in Muscle Shoals.

Jefferson State ranked number one out of 32 Phi Theta Kappa chapters in the state. Judging takes place at the Phi Theta Kappa's International headquarters in Jackson, Mississippi and competition is based upon the group's hallmarks of scholarship, leadership and service.

"The students have proven year after year that working toward this goal is important to them," said Jefferson State Phi Theta Kappa Advisor Dr. Leisl Ward. "I am so proud of the Jefferson State students for their service to the community and maintaining a level of excellence in everything they do."

During recent international competitions, Jefferson State's Shelby-Hoover chapter, Beta Lambda Delta, has taken home top international honors out of more than 1,250 chapters worldwide. This chapter is also the first international repeat winner in more than twenty years.

**In addition to receiving top honors in regional competition, the Shelby-Hoover chapter was also awarded:** the Honors in Action Award, College Project Award, Honors in Action Issue Award, Outstanding Team Officer Award, Continuing Excellence in Advising Award, Continuing Chapter Excellence Award, the Five-Star Chapter Award, and the Pinnacle Award for Increased Membership.

Phi Theta Kappa, the International Honor Society of the Two-Year College, has recognized academic excellence in the two-year college since 1918. The Society is comprised of more than 1,250 chapters at community, technical and junior colleges in all 50 of the United States, in Canada, Germany, U.S. Territories, the Republic of Palau and the British Virgin Islands, making it the largest and most prestigious honor society serving two-year colleges. Membership is based primarily upon academic achievement. The organization offers a myriad of opportunities for scholarships, intellectual enrichment and personal development through programs based on the Society's Hallmarks.