

WHY INDUCT SHH MEMBERS THIS FALL?

Did COVID-19 offset your plans? Are you looking to increase participation in your SHH chapter?

The Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica leadership offers the following reasons for you to plan an induction ceremony for this fall.

PEAK MOTIVATION

As the year goes on, students get bogged down with coursework and other activities. Starting off the year when kids are fresh and ready to get involved is optimal! They can start on your chapter's projects & activities before they're over-committed to other clubs or organizations (or even jobs). Catch them when their enthusiasm is at its peak!

COMBINE SHH INDUCTION AND NSE/NPE AWARDS

2020 National Spanish and Portuguese Exams percentiles and placements will be sent out in August. Your department can celebrate those accomplishments as part of your induction ceremony. Present NSE/NPE medals and SHH certificates in one event.

COME BACK TO THE NEW YEAR WITH A FRESH START

SHH can allow students to come together in solidarity with new and seasoned members! Students also feel more unity and a part of SHH when they have the whole year to participate, which fosters additional opportunities and prepares them for scholarship applications as well, both from SHH and AATSP as well as other organizations.

CATCH KIDS BEFORE SCHEDULING DECISIONS

Spring inductions may happen close to or after registration for the following year. An earlier induction allows students to be involved in your chapter so it may even influence them to continue taking Spanish or Portuguese for full membership benefits.

SCHEDULE YOUR CEREMONY BEFORE THE CALENDAR IS FULL

Many chapters already choose to do fall inductions simply because the students are too busy for an induction ceremony in the spring. Reserve your location and students before all the calendars are booked.

MENTORING

Fall induction gives a great opportunity for current members to mentor new inductees all year long! Build a strong chapter with students who understand their roles as members.

REMEMBER

No matter the time of year that you hold an induction, students must have already completed at least three semesters of Spanish or Portuguese prior to induction, be currently enrolled in Spanish or Portuguese, and be a sophomore, junior, or senior.

A fall induction would imply that all students are currently enrolled in Spanish/Portuguese 3 or higher.

If you have a strong middle school program, requiring that students must be in level 3 helps avoid the feeling that freshmen are excluded.

Visit the SHH website for [more reasons](#) and [information to start a chapter](#).

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