

**Phi Sigma Tau
International Philosophy Honor Society
Gamma Chapter Mission Statement**

Phi Sigma Tau Gamma Chapter is the official Philosophy Honor Society at California State University, Chico. Our purpose as an organization is twofold: to confer distinction on students having high scholarship and a personal interest in philosophy, and to promote philosophical thinking on the campus.

As An Honor Society

The objective of the Gamma Chapter of Phi Sigma Tau is to recognize academic excellence and scholarship in the field of philosophy. Our aim is to do this through a number of means: (1) admitting members who meet the academic expectations of the organization; (2) promoting student research and the presentation and publication of that research; (3) providing students with opportunities to engage with the brightest and best minds of their field. We meet regularly to advance all of these goals, by welcoming new members, hosting faculty presentations and guest lectures by philosophers from all over the nation, and by giving students the opportunity to present their research before the club in a more formal setting.

As A Philosophy Club

Our further objective is to, following our international charter, popularize interest in philosophy among the general collegiate public. This means making available to the public events which feature various kinds of philosophical engagement. We do this through presentations and discussions, roundtable events, movie nights, book sales, and panel forums. Our goal is to ignite an interest in philosophical questions among our peers and fellow faculty. Furthermore, we aim to strengthen the interdisciplinary relationship between philosophy and the other departments and disciplines on our campus. We believe philosophy is a bridge by which various fields of study can relate, and so are seeking to encourage interdisciplinary dialogue and events. It is our hope to see a philosophical revival take place in the academy, wherein students and professors alike once again take care to live the examined life.

In summary, Phi Sigma Tau Gamma Chapter is dedicated to developing and honoring academic excellence as well as philosophical interest.