The Chapter Annual Report covers activities from Fiscal Year 2015 (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015) and allows the chapter to provide the officer list and other important chapter information for Fiscal Year 2016 (July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016)

Chapter ID Number: 45
Date Report Finalized: 9/30/2015

Chapter Name: University of Cincinnati
Region: NC
Constituency: Research/Doctoral Univ (RD)

Current Fiscal Year
Active Members: 174
Inactive Members: 831
Initiates Elected: 12

Previous Fiscal Year
Active Members: 197
Inactive Members: 505
Initiates Elected: 11

I. Good Standing Status: Yes
   1. Current officers on file? Yes
   2. Delegate sent to at least one of the last 3 annual meetings? Yes
   3. Chapter Annual Report on file? Yes
   4. At least one new initiate in the last 2 years? Yes

II. Local Support Payments from Sigma Xi This Year: $2829.80

III. Chapter Officers

Officers for Fiscal Year 2015

President Holland, Christy K. (christy.holland@uc.edu)
Vice President Heikenfeld, Jason C. (heikenjc@ucmail.uc.edu)
Treasurer Matter, Stephen F. (mattersf@ucmail.uc.edu)
Secretary Vonderheide, Anne M. (pawleca@ucmail.uc.edu)
Administrative Assistant
Contact Officer Hanson, Margaret M. (margaret.hanson@uc.edu)

Officers for Fiscal Year 2016
IV. Delegate for Upcoming Annual Meeting

To remain in good standing, the chapter must send a delegate to at least one Annual Meeting every 3 years.

Date the chapter last had representation at the Sigma Xi Annual Meeting: 6/2/2014
Delegate: Ronald Millard

V. Chapter Operations

Identified new chapter leaders? Yes
Developed a chapter leader succession plan? Yes
Increased the number of members involved in or attending chapter activities? Yes
Reached out to inactive chapter members? Yes
Nominated new faculty, researchers or institutional leaders for Sigma Xi membership? Yes
Sent a student to the Sigma Xi Annual Meeting and Student Research Conference? No
Had a student involved in the Student Research Showcase? No
Communicated with chapter members via the Sigma Xi online chapter community? No
Communicated with chapter members via an electronic newsletter? Yes
Chapter mentored another chapter? No
Chapter worked with high school students? No

VI. Chapter Activities

Would you like to self-nominate the chapter for a chapter award? No

Activity Type: Chapter Networking Event
Name of Activity: UC Sigma Xi Fall Mixer
Activity Date: 11/4/2014
Activity Details: The fall mixer included networking opportunities during a cocktail reception, recognition of new members, a call for officer nominations, recognition of National GIAR Awardees, presentations by the graduate awardees, and award presentation of the Sigma Xi Young Investigator Award.
Activity Was: Created and organized by chapter
Activity Participation: 50
Activity Participation Percentage: 95
Activity Years Occuring: Continuing
Activity Chapter Health: Yes
Name of Activity: Graduate Student Grants-in-Aid of Research Awardees Announced
Activity Date: 2/2/2015
Activity Details: The UC Sigma Xi chapter is accepts applications from full-time matriculated undergraduate and graduate students for Grants-in-Aid of Research awards in all areas of science and engineering. Three-four awards are made annually. Students use the funds for travel expenses to and from a research sites, to present research results at a national science or engineering meeting, or for purchase of consumable research materials and supplies or non-standard laboratory equipment necessary to complete a specific research project. Funds are not used for stipends or salaries. Recipients must be a full-time UC student, but are not required to be an Associate Member of the Sigma Xi (Honorary) Research Society at the time of application. Applicants are encouraged to apply for Associate Membership in Sigma Xi under the sponsorship of a Full Member. Each recipient’s primary faculty research project mentor must be an active (dues-paying) Full Member of Sigma Xi (National and UC Chapter). Students who have received a UC Chapter or National Sigma Xi grant-in-aid of research (GIAR) award within the last two years are not eligible for a UC Chapter award.
Activity Was: Created and organized by chapter
Activity Participation: 30
Activity Participation Percentage: 50
Activity Years Occurring: Continuing
Activity Chapter Health: yes
Activity Share Details: Yes
Activity Target Audience: Undergraduates, Graduates
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Name of Activity: Young Investigator Award
Activity Date: 2/2/2015
Activity Details: The UC Chapter of Sigma Xi receives nominations annually for the Sigma Xi Young Investigator Award. This annual award, presented in conjunction with the Office of the Vice President for Research, recognizes a junior faculty member at UC for their early career distinguished research accomplishments in a field of science or engineering appropriate to Sigma Xi. This award is made possible by the Violet M. Diller Endowment to the UC Chapter of Sigma Xi and the Office of the Vice President for Research.
Activity Was: Created and organized by chapter
Activity Participation: 2
Activity Participation Percentage: 100
Activity Years Occurring: Continuing
Activity Chapter Health: yes
Activity Share Details: Yes
Activity Target Audience: Professionals, Members
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Activity Type: Chapter Annual Meeting
Name of Activity: Spring Mixer
Activity Date: 4/9/2015
Activity Details: The spring mixer serves as our annual meeting and includes networking opportunities during a cocktail reception, recognition of new members, recognition of new National GIAR Awardees, recognition of the new UC Sigma Xi GIAR awardees, and recognition of the High School Teacher Award. Each Spring the Young Investigator faculty awardee presents a public lecture during the meeting. Prof. Hairong Guan gave the lecture in Spring 2015 and was presented with a $500 award. We also announce each of our graduate student Grants in Aid of Research winners and the High School Teaching Award. This event starts with a mixer of food and drink and invite the entire UC community, members and non-members.

Activity Was: Created and organized by chapter
Activity Participation: 60
Activity Participation Percentage: 80
Activity Years Occuring: Continuing
Activity Chapter Health: yes
Activity Share Details: Yes
Activity Target Audience: K-12, Undergraduates, Graduates, Professionals, Members
Activity Modified Date: 9/30/2015 3:33:33 PM