



# Order of the Sword & Shield

National Honor Society for Homeland Security, Intelligence,  
Emergency Management and all Protective Security Disciplines

## Student Induction Application

*You may also apply online at [www.SecurityHonorSociety.org](http://www.SecurityHonorSociety.org) for faster processing.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Write your name as you want it to appear on the induction certificate.

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Use the address where you would like us to send the induction package.

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail (non-school) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (secondary) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

University or College \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Degree or Program \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Type (B.S., A.S., Minor, Masters, Certificate) \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of credits needed to earn degree or certificate \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of credits completed to date \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative grade point average (GPA) for all credits \_\_\_\_\_

Class rank (for graduate programs if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Academic honors and awards (scholarships, merit awards, dean's list, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Extra-curricular scholastic activities \_\_\_\_\_

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If granted academic membership in the **Order of the Sword & Shield National Honor Society** (Omicron Sigma Sigma), I will accept its mission and the values of ethics, excellence, knowledge, and peace. I promise to promote these values and to abide by all policies and procedures of the Society. I also pledge to use my education for the benefit of my community, nation, and the world in which we live.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Please Attach:**

One letter of academic recommendation

An unofficial transcript or copy of complete grade report

Payment (\$75.00 check or money order payable to "Order of the Sword and Shield")

**Send completed application package to:**

Prof. Jeffrey P. Grossmann, JD  
Order of the Sword & Shield  
P.O. Box 972  
Coram, NY 11727

**Visit us on the web at:** [www.SecurityHonorSociety.org](http://www.SecurityHonorSociety.org)

**Please note that applications may take 4-6 weeks to process.**

The Order of the Sword & Shield National Honor Society is a volunteer academic recognition organization which relies upon student and faculty administration. Staff members donate their time and effort to help make our Society a unique and rewarding experience for all members.

# Requirements for Acceptance

The **Order of the Sword and Shield** is open to any undergraduate, graduate, or certificate student who is enrolled in a **Homeland Security, Intelligence, Emergency Management, or Protective Security Studies** program. Some programs in the Protective Security discipline include the following. (not a complete listing):

- Computer Systems Security
- Criminal Justice
- Criminology
- Critical Infrastructure Protection
- Information Assurance
- Information Security
- Loss Prevention
- National Defense
- National Security
- Organizational Continuity
- Organizational Security
- Peace and World Security
- Personal Protection
- Private Security
- Protection Management
- Risk Management
- Safety
- Security Administration
- Security Management
- Security Systems
- Strategic Planning
- Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Please note that this is not a complete listing of all Protective Security disciplines and that the Society reserves the right to include/exclude any proposed academic program after careful review.

The following academic criteria **MUST** be satisfied at the time of induction:

1. Completion of **ONE HALF (1/2)** of the applicant's total number of credits required to earn the degree or certificate, including completion of **ONE HALF (1/2)** of all credits required by the Homeland Security, Intelligence, Emergency Management, or Protective Security Studies discipline; and
2. Have achieved an overall **3.25** (undergraduate) or a **3.50** (graduate) cumulative **GPA** or higher (on a scale of 4.0) for **ALL CREDITS**, including transfer credits; or be in the top 20% of such program; and
3. Provide **ONE (1)** academic letter of recommendation which **MUST** attest to the applicant's "outstanding academic performance" in his or her coursework; and
4. Provide an "unofficial" **transcript** or grade report.

The completed application package must be accompanied by a check or money order made payable to the "**Order of the Sword and Shield**" in the amount of \$75.

Questions regarding this application or the subsequent review process may be directed to [info@SecurityHonorSociety.org](mailto:info@SecurityHonorSociety.org).