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1. Information Sheet
2. Electee Requirements & Deadlines
3. Character Evaluation
4. Electee Exam
5. Forms for Working with Minors
6. Service Project Descriptions

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**Office Hours - Winter 2023**

Please come visit us at our office hours located in the bullpen (1226 EECS). We can answer any questions and help you with your electee exam!

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** Deadline to complete all electee requirements

### Officers

**Executive Committee**
- **President**: Riley Garliauskas (tbp.president)
- **Vice President**: Denise Schlaugtman (tbp.vicepresident)
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- **Leeland Pierce**: EECS, lep (Faculty Advisor)
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- **Pritpaul Mahal**: EECS, pritpaul (Alumnus Advisor)
- **Ranadeep Mitra**: CS, ranadeep (Alumnus Advisor)
- **Simon Li**: CS, simontii (Alumnus Advisor)
- **Michael Benson**: EECS, mblassen (Grad Student Advisor)
- **Kate Giammalvo**: ME, kgiamm (Grad Student Advisor)
- **Zack Goldston**: CS, zwgold (Undergrad Student Advisor)

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Electee Requirements - Winter 2023
Tau Beta Pi MI-G

The following is a list of the requirements to join Tau Beta Pi MI-G

I. REQUIRED MEETINGS
If you cannot attend a meeting, first email the Vice President at tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu. Be sure to look over a copy of the meeting’s agenda at For Members/Meeting Minutes on the website. You must then make up the meeting with one extra hour of service or one extra social event, approved by the vice president. Elections can only be made up with a service hour. All meetings (except Initiation/Banquet) will begin at 6:30pm. See Information Page for locations.

   i. First General - January 17
   ii. Second General - January 31
   iii. Third General - February 21
   iv. Fourth General - March 14
   v. Elections - March 28
   vi. Fifth General - April 4
   vii. Initiation & Banquet - April 15

II. 16 SERVICE HOURS
We recommend you complete at least 4 hours by Second Actives (February 14th) and you are required to complete 8 hours by Third Actives (March 21st). A portion of your 16 hours will come from the following mandatory events. You may do a maximum of 5 independent hours of service (hours not associated with Tau Beta Pi) provided you show adequate proof of your involvement, and that the hours do not count for another society.

   Signing up for a service project is a commitment to attend; you must un-sign up at least 24 hours in advance or you will have to complete an extra hour of service projects.

   i. **Volunteer for one hour of TBP tutoring.**
      Our tutoring service pairs students interested in receiving tutoring (mainly for intro-level classes) with qualified TBP tutors. TBP tutors will meet with the student several times throughout the semester and receive service hour credit for the hours they have spent tutoring as verified by the student. Tutoring sign-ups are due before New Initiatives II (February 7th), but you do not have to complete them by this date! We also provide group tutoring where students can come and go freely, which also counts as tutoring hours.

   ii. **Participate in at least 3.5 hours of K-12 Outreach service events.**
      Each electee must participate in at least one approved K-12 Outreach event for a minimum of 3.5 hours. Any hours over this requirement will count towards your remaining service hours. The following events can count to fill this requirement:

         i. **MindSEts:** February 19, March 12, April 2
         ii. **Cub Scouts Day:** March 19
         iii. **Merit Badge Day:** March 25

      ***In order to volunteer at any of the K-12 events, you must turn in a university background check form and complete the Boy Scouts of America Youth Protection Training at (my scouts.org). See the page titled “Forms for Working with Minors - Winter 2023” for details on the forms due January 31th.***
III. 2 SOCIAL EVENTS
Social events include escape rooms, TG’s, movie nights, game nights, intersociety events, etc. One of these activities should be completed by Third Actives (March 21).

IV. 2 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENTS
Professional development events include things such as corporate information sessions, Sustainability Hour talks, MLK Luncheons, or mock interviews.

V. ELECTEE TEAM ACTIVITIES
You must attend at least three Electee Team activities with at least half of your Electee Team present. One of the three activities must occur with at least half of another electee group present. See vice president if unable to attend three electee team meetings.

VI. CHARACTER EVALUATION
You must complete an Electee Interview Questionnaire regarding exemplary character and submit your answers, along with a copy of your resume, to the website by Friday, January 27th at 11:59 pm. The interview questionnaire can be found under Electee Resources on the website (tbp.engin.umich.edu). Your resume should be submitted to your website profile. Interviews last about 25 minutes and starts no later than 5 minutes after start time, which will require a total commitment of 30 minutes. Interviews will take place in person in the Duderstadt rooms 1120A and 1120D on February 1-3. Sign up for your interview on the website (tbp.engin.umich.edu/calendar/event_list/).

VII. MENTORSHIP PROGRAM - “TBPALS”
You must participate in the chapter mentorship program over the course of the semester. The goal of this program is to help develop connections with active TBP members and electees, provide insight into the electing process, and offer academic and career guidance as well as fostering connections by forming groups of 3-4 members who meet over the course of the semester. You will be contacted soon via email with more information.

VIII. PAPERWORK
i. 6 Casual Peer Interviews
The interviews are to get to know your fellow members in Tau Beta Pi a little better. These interviews should be casual. At least two of the people interviewed must be active members. Think of 6 creative questions to ask members — no mundane questions will be accepted (“What is your favorite color?”). Please record the responses of your interviewees on paper or in a Google or Word document. No e-mail interviews are allowed. If possible, please have your interview subject sign the sheet afterwards. The first electee team meeting is dedicated to completing your peer interviews! Turn in interview questions and answers by Fifth General (April 4th) to the TBP Office (1226 EECS) or to the Vice President via email.

ii. Electee Exam
The electee exam tests your knowledge of the history of TBP and our chapter. It is not meant to be stressful. We encourage you to work on it together and drop by office hours to ask officers for answers! Please don’t ask for answers via e-mail — we want to get to know you! Turn in the completed exam by Fifth General (April 4th) at the TBP Office (1226 EECS), at meetings, or directly to the Vice President via email.
IX. ONE-TIME MEMBERSHIP FEE OF $100.
A one-time fee to be a member of Tau Beta Pi, which pays for electee supplies, the banquet, your bent, your certificate, your lifetime membership, etc. given to the Treasurer, Mitra Mokhlesi. Checks should be made out to Tau Beta Pi. Cash is also accepted. **This is also due by Fifth General (April 4th)**. If this fee poses a significant financial burden, please reach out to the Vice President for more information about a fee waiver as soon as possible.
Exemplary character is one of the requisites for membership in Tau Beta Pi. In addition to being active members of the engineering community, Tau Beta Pi members must meet the highest standards of moral character. Our chapter will assess your character through written essays and an interview.

Electee Interview Questionnaire:
The first component of the character assessment in Tau Beta Pi is the Electee Interview Questionnaire. You will be required to complete the questionnaire with three fun questions, three short answer questions, and one essay question. The questionnaire can be found under Members → Electee Resources and submitted to the website, while your résumé should be submitted to your website profile. Submit your questionnaire responses and résumé by Friday, January 27th at 11:59 pm.

Some of the short answer questions will provide you with the opportunity to share a part of your personality with us. Others will ask for your opinion on topics related to academic integrity. While some may not directly relate to your character, these questions will allow us to better understand you and your thinking.

As an organization that stresses the importance of exemplary character in our members, the essay is a crucial part of character assessment. This (one page) essay is a rather open-ended assignment, and we encourage you to get creative with your description. Nevertheless, exemplary character is not an arbitrary concept, and we are looking for specific evidence that you know what this important quality means. Tau Beta Pi members should meet the highest standard of moral character. The quotes on the following page may help inspire you on the subject of exemplary character, but don’t limit yourself to those ideas.

The questionnaire can be found and completed under Members → Electee Resources at tbp.engin.umich.edu. Be ready to discuss your answers during your interview.

Interviews:
The interview is the most important part of character assessment. Interviews will be held in-person on February 1-3 in the Duderstadt, rooms 1120A and 1120D. You must sign up for an interview slot. The interview will take 30 minutes, and you will be interviewed by one or two of our Active members. Dress is business casual. Electees can be denied membership on the basis of a negative interview, so take the process seriously. Don’t stress too much about this, though, because it rarely happens. Interviewers will review the résumé and the answers to the Electee Interview Questionnaire you submitted by Friday, January 27th at 11:59 pm. Sign up for interviews on the website: tbp.engin.umich.edu/calendar/event_list/

- **Interview Dates:** February 1-3
- **Location:** Duderstadt Center Rooms 1120A and 1120D
- **Requirements:** Dress is business casual

Submit your questionnaire answers under Members → Electee Resources at https://tbp.engin.umich.edu/members/electees/electee_groups/ and your résumé to your website profile by Friday, January 27th at 11:59 pm.

If you have any questions or scheduling issues, please contact the Vice President (tbp.vicepresident@umich.edu).
Quotes about Character

“Character, not circumstance, makes the person.”
   – Booker T. Washington, American educator and civil rights activist (1856-1915)

“Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.”
   – Abraham Lincoln, 16th U.S. president (1809-1865)

“It is with trifles, and when he is off guard, that a man best reveals his character.”
   – Arthur Schopenhauer, German philosopher (1788-1860)

“Weakness of attitude becomes weakness of character.”
   – Albert Einstein, Swiss-American mathematician and physicist (1879-1955)

“Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, vision cleared, ambition inspired, and success achieved.”
   – Helen Keller, American author, activist and lecturer (1880-1968)

“When the character of a man is not clear to you, look at his friends.”
   – Japanese Proverb

“The right way is not always the popular and easy way. Standing for right when it is unpopular is a true test of moral character.”
   – Margaret Chase Smith, American Senator (1897-1995)

“The best index to a person’s character is (a) how he treats people who can’t do him any good, and (b) how he treats people who can’t fight back.”
   – Abigail Van Buren, American columnist (1918-2013)
Electee Exam - Winter 2023
Tau Beta Pi MI-G

INSTRUCTIONS:
This exam will cover the history and organization of Tau Beta Pi at a national level as well as the history and organization of our chapter, Michigan Gamma. This exam is not meant to be difficult, and you should not stress about it. Please complete this exam and turn it in to the Vice President, Denise Schlautman, or the TBP office (1226 EECS), no later than the Fifth General meeting, April 4th. There is an envelope next to TBPs storage area labeled “Undergraduate Electee Exams”.

THE EXAM HONOR CODE
I have given and received aid on this examination. I have exposed no honor code violations. (There are none!)

Name: ___________________________ Uniqname: ___________________________
(Please print)

1. Name all of the officers of Michigan Gamma, their positions, and majors (there are 17).

2. Name all of the faculty, alumnus, and student advisors of Michigan Gamma and their departments.

3. When and where was Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society founded?

4. Who was the founder of Tau Beta Pi?

5. Where is the national headquarters of TBP located?
6. With what other organization did TBP merge in 1974, and why?

7. What is the original Tau Beta Pi yell?

8. What is the revised yell?

9. Create a Michigan Gamma yell. (Make a remix with the same format!)

10. Which founding (charter) member of Michigan Gamma has a North Campus building named after him?

11. Where are the 3 brass bents (permanently mounted) located throughout campus?  
   EXTRA CREDIT: Where is the fourth?

12. List the national requirements to be considered for TBP membership as an undergraduate.

13. List the ideals of Tau Beta Pi Honor Society as stated in the preamble of our constitution.

14. What is the symbol of the TBP motto?

15. What are TBP’s colors?
16. Identify a Tau Beta Pi laureate from Michigan Gamma.

17. Name 3 other schools in the same district as Michigan Gamma.

18. Get at least 5 signatures from Tau Beta Pi actives from Michigan Gamma who are not officers. (There are over 7500 of them - remember, once a member, always a member).

19. Get at least two signatures of current Tau Beta Pi officers, signed with their non-dominant hand and not in pen or pencil. Going to office hours is a great way to find these!
OFFICER/ADVISOR QUESTIONS
Below are some interesting facts about the officers and advisors of Michigan Gamma posed as questions.

20. Which officer/advisor is left handed?

21. Which officer/advisor makes video games in their spare time?

22. Which officer/advisor cycled more miles than are in the entire Tour de France over the course of this past summer?

23. Which officer/advisor has a strong dislike for Clemson? BONUS: Which officer/advisor’s hometown is Clemson?

24. Which officer/advisor is certified to handle lab mice?

25. Which officer/advisor went dumpster diving in the 3rd grade for their retainer? BONUS: Did they find it?

26. Which officer/advisor went to the ER because they got an earbud tip stuck in their nose?

27. Which officer/advisor knows how to surf?

28. Which officer/advisor’s arm length is considered an official unit of measurement for Cub Scouts Day?

29. Which officer/advisor can speak four languages? (HINT: there are two!)

30. Which officer/advisor successfully juggled three eggs in front of an audience of more than 100 people?

31. Which officer/advisor can eat three burgers in a meal?

32. Which officer/advisor has a young son who was born in March 2021?

33. Which officer/advisor has high-fived the founder of Khan Academy?

34. Which officer/advisor can dislocate their shoulder on command?

35. Which officer/advisor has visited eight countries in Asia (but has not yet visited Canada)?

36. Which officer/advisor did club swimming for 10.5 years?
37. Which officer/advisor can read subtitles faster than speakers can speak?

38. Which officer/advisor first-authored a 12-page paper about the physics of an egg drop from a drone? (for TBP of course)

39. Which officer/advisor has been on a zero-G roller coaster with the fastest acceleration (in the US)?

40. Which officer/advisor has made a 1:1 recreation of the Hungarian Parliament Building in survival Minecraft?

41. Which officer/advisor broke their arm by falling out of a tree house (and then learned how to write with their non-dominant hand)?

42. Which officer/advisor danced competitively and competed against 2 people who were on the most recent season of So You Think You Can Dance?
43. Who’s who? Guess the officer from their baby picture.
BULLPEN QUESTIONS (1226 EECS)

44. Where is the Michigan Gamma office and have you been there?
   **If you answered "no," go there right now**

45. What is SWE’s motto? (bonus points if you write it how it’s displayed on their sign in the bullpen)

46. Who was the TBP President when you were born?

47. Which US president congratulated MI-Gamma on the 100th anniversary of our founding?

48. Our office cabinet has pictures of the bents from what colleges?

49. What org’s office is directly adjacent to the TBP office?

FUN BONUS PROBLEMS

50. Write the 3 letters that should come next in this series:

   B A A C E E D I I E M M F ___ ___ ___

51. What should the seventh line in this pyramid be?

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52. What is the next symbol in the sequence?
ADDITIONAL BONUS

53. To the optimist, the glass is half full.
    To the pessimist, the glass is half empty.
    To the engineer, the glass is ________________.

54. What do you get if you cross a grape with an elephant?

55. How many times can you fold an 8.5” by 11” piece of paper in half?

56. What do you call a Local Area Network in Australia?

57. Fill in the blank: "I take 10 steps with a _____________ left vision / Study the disorders we’ve absorbed inside the village”

58. Fill in the blank: "Obviously dead ______________, and spent every red cent / To rule you, and still drop more jewels than schools do / Or even TV news that’s designed to fool you”

59. Fill in the blank: "When I consider how my light is spent / E’re half my days, in this dark world and wide, / And that one Talent which is death to hide / Lodg’d with me useless, though my Soul more _____________”

60. A man has a barrel with filled with oil that weighs 100 pounds, and then he puts something into it. Now the barrel weighs less than 100 pounds. What did he put in the barrel?
The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Public Schools, and the Boy Scouts of America require anyone volunteering with children to complete background checks. This means that in order for anyone to volunteer and interact in any way with youth at TBP Events, he or she must complete a background check form. Before you can complete the background check, you need to opt-in to the process by filling out the background check opt-in form (tbpmi.ga/opt-in). Please do this as soon as you can. After you do, the K-12 officers will submit your name to receive a background check, and in the days after, you will receive an email from a third-party (GIS) to complete a background check form (check your spam). You must submit a screenshot of the end of the survey by January 31 (Second General) in order to volunteer with youth at MindSET, Cub Scout Day, or Merit Badge Day. You will not receive a confirmation email unless something is flagged. If you are unable or unwilling to complete the form and submit the background check, your participation at K-12 events will be limited to roles that ensure non-interaction with youth.

The University of Michigan requires that all individuals volunteering with minors also complete training. To fulfill this training requirement, Tau Beta Pi is requiring members to complete Youth Protection Training, offered through the Boy Scouts of America. It takes around an hour to complete and can be found at tbpmi.ga/ypt. You will need to create an account before proceeding to take the training online, and after completing online training, you must save your certificate as a PDF document and send it to the K-12 officers.

Submit the screenshot of the background check and the YPT certification at tbpmi.ga/ypt-confirm. If you have any questions about the background check or training, or if you do not wish to complete the background check, please contact the K-12 officers, Tara and Yicheng (tbp.k12outreach@umich.edu).

To summarize, please complete the following by 2nd Gen (January 31):


2. Boys Scouts of America Youth Protection Training (YPT) at tbpmi.ga/ypt. Submit the certificate that will be emailed to you to tbpmi.ga/ypt-confirm.

*If you miss any of these deadlines but wish to participate in events involving youth, you may contact the K-12 Officers to check if there is enough time to complete the background check prior to the event.
The following projects and descriptions are examples of some of the service projects that our chapter has carried out in the past. The complete list of service projects that will be done this semester is uncertain given that we are still transitioning to majority in-person projects. However, this list should give you a good sense of the different types of service projects that we undertake. If you see an event you’d like to participate in that hasn’t been scheduled, you may also take the lead on it yourself. This semester is a great time to have creative ideas and exploit TBP resources for service events. Also, if we have a large amount of electees and general motivation to do larger scale community service, we have a community outreach plan set up that consists of a lot of groundwork/direct interaction with the Michigan/Ann Arbor community. If you are interested in any of this please contact Drew Boughton (tbp.service@umich.edu); it is never too early to start getting involved in leadership. Note that the list below is only a taste of the service projects we have carried out.

APO Blood Drive: Covid-safe, in-person. APO hosts a Blood Battle blood drive, and they need volunteers! Sign up for to help screen and register donors/lay out snacks.

Arb Restoration: Covid-safe, in-person. If you like the outdoors, this project is for you! We help to keep the Nichols Arboretum the beautiful place it is by clearing out dead trees, picking up litter, and performing assorted groundskeeping tasks. Previous projects have included maintenance and re-routing of the stream that runs through it, planting, and various other types of light outdoor work.

Botanical Gardens: Pre-Covid. The University of Michigan has its very own Matthaei Botanical Gardens that houses exotic plants from around the world. Volunteer opportunities range from planting/maintaining the gardens to administrative work.

Cancer Center: Pre-Covid. The U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center provides its patients diagnostic, treatment, and support services in a collaborative environment. Past projects include putting together patient information packets for clinics and preparing Valentine bags of homemade cards and candy for patients.

Cub Scouts Day: In-person. Cub Scouts Engineering Day is a TBP-organized event for local Cub Scouts troops to receive their engineering badges. Activities include bridge building, egg drop, circuits, and floor plan. Volunteers are needed to help run these stations and to lead groups of Cub Scouts through the stations.

Detroit Partnership: Covid-safe, virtual. DP Day is the largest day of service learning at the University of Michigan. TBP sends volunteers to work alongside Detroiters and fellow U of M students on a variety of tasks. The event is a chance to learn about the city, have fun and make a difference.

Diag Clean-up: Pre-Covid. Work with fellow TBP members to help clean the North or Central campus Diag and its surrounding areas.

Food Gatherers Soup Kitchen: Pre-Covid. Food Gatherers help prepare a warm meal, serve it, and clean up afterwards at the Delonis Center in Ann Arbor, which temporarily houses approximately 90 homeless people and serves regular meals to the community that have trouble making ends meet. This project directly benefits certain members of the Ann Arbor community that need food.
Food Gatherers Warehouse: Pre-Covid. Food Gatherers collects surplus food from businesses around the community to alleviate hunger. Volunteers are needed to help out at Food Gatherers’ warehouse with activities including cleaning the warehouse and sorting and packaging food.

Habitat for Humanity: Pre-Covid. Habitat for Humanity seeks to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness and has built more than 300,000 houses around the world. This is a great hands-on activity where we help build a local house for a family in need. NO experience is necessary. Experienced builders will help you and tell you exactly what to do.

Hands-On Museum: Pre-Covid. The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum aims to inspire people to discover the wonder of science, math and technology. Have fun with kids while learning cool science facts! Past events include helping children make their own microbes, exploring unique musical instruments, and celebrating DNA day.

KnitWits: Virtual/in-person supplies pickup. KnitWits helps the less fortunate during the cold winters by creating warm clothes from donated material. We tie together scraps of fleece to make blankets, hats, and scarves for the homeless here in Ann Arbor. No experience is necessary; instructions and materials all provided!

Leslie Science Center: Pre-Covid. The Leslie Science and Nature Center, situated on 50 acres of fields, woods and prairie in the heart of Ann Arbor, focuses on the public education of science and conservation. It has nature trails, a Critter House, and a solar-powered Nature House. Help them prepare for one of their biggest activities - Animal Haunts! Volunteers are need for clearing trails, creating a maze in the prairie, carving pumpkins, etc.

MRelay: Pre-Covid. MRelay is Michigan’s Relay for Life Event. TBP collaborates with other engineering organizations to sponsor a team to attend the actual event where team members take turns walking around a track or designated path at all times to signify that cancer never sleeps. Additionally, we host fundraising events to raise money and awareness for cancer research.

Recycle Ann Arbor: Pre-Covid Recycle Ann Arbor’s ReUse takes donations of reusable material such as furniture, housewares, and lumber, and then resells them to the public or donates to other non-profit organizations. Volunteers are needed to maintain the center; tasks include sorting materials, making displays, cleaning, and some outdoor work.

Ronald McDonald House: Pre-Covid. The Ronald McDonald House is a place for parents who have children receiving medical treatment at the UM Hospital to live and take care of their children during a difficult time. We prepare a dinner for the families.

Sequoia Place: Covid-safe, socially distanced. TBP has paired up with HKN go to a local retirement home (Sequoia Place) on alternating weeks to help the residents with technical support for 2 hours (Word, GMail, stereos, etc).

Smithsonian Virtual Volunteering: Covid-safe, virtual. Come to this event to work on transcribing various projects, documents, and correspondence through the Smithsonian Digital Volunteers program!