

# The Cornerstone

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**Tau Beta Pi**  
The Engineering Honor Society

## Letter From the Historian

Welcome back actives!

I hope you all are having a great semester so far and are looking forward to midterm season (and elections). For those who conducted electee interviews, I hope they went well and that you all had the chance to connect with many of our amazing new electees! If any of them seemed a little *too* enthusiastic... well, keep an eye out - we might have a future president on our hands!

In today's meeting, we will be voting on our candidates as we review the eligibility code (attached below) and discuss the amendments and bylaws. This is crucial to the membership of our electees for future chapters, so every voice counts!

In the meantime, don't forget to sign up for volunteering events and tutoring opportunities. Mindset meetings are coming up soon, so keep an eye out for those! We'd love to see you there! 😊

As always, feel free to submit feedback at [tbpmig.org/digitalcornerstone](https://tbpmig.org/digitalcornerstone), or [tbpmig.org/cornerstonecontribution](https://tbpmig.org/cornerstonecontribution). You can also reach out to me directly at [tbp.historian@umich.edu](mailto:tbp.historian@umich.edu). Happy voting!

- Arthur, The Best Puzzlemaker

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### Meeting Agenda

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### Upcoming Events

- TBP X SWE Fall Social: 10/3  
5:30-7:30 pm
- Mindset 1 Training: 10/3  
6:00-7:00 pm
- NAP Stewardship Workday - Bluff Natures Area: 10/5  
1:00-4:00 pm

## Eligibility Code For New Members

In order that there may be a more uniform basis for selection of members for Tau Beta Pi, these suggestions are offered. It is expected that a copy of this statement be given to each active member before every election, and it may at times serve as a general expression of our policy in the selection of members.

It is the purpose of the Society to mark in a fitting manner those who have conferred honor upon their alma mater by distinguished scholarship and exemplary character as students, or by their attainments as alumni. Distinguished scholarship, while the primary requisite for admission, must not be considered the sole criterion. After the scholastic requirements have been fulfilled, the selection shall be based on integrity, breadth of interest both inside and outside of engineering, adaptability, and unselfish activity.

We consider that true integrity is the sine qua non for membership in Tau Beta Pi, that it transcends in importance scholarship, activity, and every other qualification. Without private and public integrity, we believe that no organization is worthy of existence. Under integrity, we include honor and high standards of truth and justice. Breadth of interest sufficient for eligibility in this Association will enable people to maintain their positions in their community by the exercise of qualities other than engineering ability.

True engineers must be able to adapt themselves ingeniously to all circumstances and conditions, making them conform to the desired purpose. The rating of people on the degree of unselfish activity manifested, is intended to indicate that Tau Beta Pi believes that none can become worthy engineers without the welfare of associates, organizations, and the community at heart.

It is furthermore expected that they display willingness to aid and assist in worthy causes by their actual campus record. However, the fact that people may not have shown unselfish activity to an appreciable degree throughout their courses of study is no infallible indication that they would not if the opportunity offered. The most conspicuous illustrations of this are those students who are self supporting, for which due allowance must be made and due credit given.

In fine, it is in this capacity for the unstinted giving of their best, without thought of remuneration, that we believe lies one of the most sensitive tests for determining candidates' rights to bear the name and wear the Bent of Tau Beta Pi.

## The Best Puzzles