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Quick Facts

- The award recognizes chapters that serve as role models and promote Psi Chi's purposes.
- This is the first time Winthrop's Psi Chi chapter has received the Southeastern Regional Award.



Merry Sleight-Ritzer

ROCK HILL, S.C. - **Psi Chi**, the national honor society in psychology, has selected Winthrop's Psi Chi chapter as the winner of this year's **Southeastern Regional Chapter Award**.

Associate Professor of Psychology Merry Sleight-Ritzer, the chapter's faculty adviser, and **psychology major Chelli Lowe** prepared the submission, a 12-page documentation of the chapter's activities over the past three years.

Psi Chi presents the regional award to chapters that serve as role models for others and promote the society's purposes of encouraging, stimulating and maintaining excellence in scholarship and advancing the science of psychology. Winthrop competed alongside chapters across Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Winthrop's chapter of **Psi Chi** will receive \$500 and a certificate to display in the **Department of Psychology** as part of the award. The department will use the award to improve chapter and department communication with psychology alumni, according to **Department of Psychology Chair Joseph Prus**.

For the past two years, the chapter has won **Psi Chi's Model Chapter Award**, and recently Winthrop psychology students won five **Regional Research Awards**, sponsored by **Psi Chi**, at the Southeastern Psychological Association Conference.

Sleight-Ritzer said the **Southeastern Regional Chapter Award** identifies Winthrop's chapter of **Psi Chi** as "a model for other chapters across the nation."

"The Regional Chapter Award is the most prestigious recognition of our work," she added. "Our selection for this award reflects the outstanding leadership of our officers, engagement of our students and support by our departmental faculty."

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