The Edward Alexander Bouchet Graduate Honor Society
George Washington University Chapter
Nomination Guidelines

About the Bouchet Society:

Named for the first African American doctoral recipient in the United States (in Physics from Yale University in 1876), the Edward Alexander Bouchet Graduate Honor Society recognizes outstanding scholarly achievement and promotes diversity and excellence in doctoral education and the professoriate.

The Society seeks to develop a network of preeminent scholars who exemplify academic and personal excellence, foster environments of support and serve as examples of scholarship, leadership, character, service and advocacy for students who have been traditionally underrepresented in the academy.

In the spirit of Bouchet’s commitment to these pursuits both within and without the academic realm, inductees into the honor society bearing his name should also exhibit these qualities.

Nomination Criteria for Students and Post-doctoral Fellows:

Membership into the Bouchet Graduate Honor Society is by nomination only. All student nominees must be ABD (i.e., completed qualifying exam, orals, qualifying papers or equivalent) and submit all materials listed below.

1. A current curriculum vitae
2. An abstract/description of dissertation
3. Two faculty recommendation

Application Materials are DUE Friday, February 22, 2019.
Please forward all application materials via email to Joanna14@gwu.edu

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Selection Process:

• Upon receipt of completed application materials for nominees, the Membership Selection Committee will review all applications.
• An interview process for finalists will be conducted by faculty and administrator members of the Membership Selection Committee.
• The Membership Selection Committee will then provide a recommendation of inductees for consideration to the National Steering Committee.
• The National Steering Committee reviews all nominated applications submitted from chapter institutions and reserves the right to approve or decline membership into the Bouchet Society.

Timeline:

• Deadline for receipt of nomination letters and application materials – Friday, February 22, 2019
• Announcement of new members will be on or around March 15, 2019
• Inaugural Induction Ceremony – 16th Annual Yale Bouchet Conference – Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6, 2019.

Membership Categories

Membership into the Bouchet Honor Society is by nomination only and approved by the National Steering Committee. Faculty, Alumni and Lifetime/Honorary members are invited to join the Bouchet Graduate Honor Society. Levels of membership are as listed below:

**Doctoral Student Membership** is available to any individual who is currently a doctoral student in good academic standing, and through initial research achievement in a humanities, social sciences and sciences field, shown outstanding promise as a scholar, as evidenced by independent investigation or current work on a dissertation project.

**Post-Doctoral Member** is available to any individual who has received their PhD degree over the last 6 years, and through initial research achievement in a humanities, social sciences and sciences field shown outstanding promise as a scholar, as evidenced by independent investigation, completion of the dissertation and publications.

**Faculty Membership** is conferred upon any individual who has shown noteworthy achievement as a scholar and exemplar of the Bouchet Society’s mission. The faculty should currently hold an appointment in the humanities, social sciences, or sciences fields, with a record of publication and evidence of research and teaching in their field of study. Individuals who are invited to membership have (by virtue of their scholarship, research, teaching and service) shown their commitment to ensuring excellence and equity in graduate education.
Alumni Member is conferred upon any individual who has shown noteworthy achievement as a scholar and exemplar of the Bouchet Society’s mission in the humanities, social sciences, or sciences fields and who has received their PhD from the member institution. Individuals who are invited membership have (by virtue of their scholarship, research, teaching and service) shown their commitment to ensuring excellence and equity in graduate education.

Lifetime or Honorary Member is conferred upon any individual who has shown outstanding and noteworthy achievement as a scholar and exemplar of the Bouchet Society’s mission in the humanities, social sciences, or sciences fields. Individuals who are invited to membership have (by virtue of their scholarship, research, teaching and service) shown their commitment to ensuring excellence and equity in graduate education.

Invited Membership Procedures

Faculty, Alumni and Honorary Members should submit the following upon invitation:

- Curriculum vitae or résumé
- Selected publication for the Bouchet Journal
- Personal statement depicting anticipated contributions to the Bouchet Graduate Honor Society

All materials must be received on or before Friday, February 22, 2019 to the inviter’s attention. The inviter must then submit all materials to The George Washington University Chapter of the Edward Alexander Bouchet Graduate Honor Society via email:

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