

## **What to Expect at Your Tau Beta Pi Initiation**

### **The History of the Ritual**

Tau Beta Pi prides itself on its long history, including its initiation dating back to the nineteenth century. The secrecy and formality of the Ritual emphasize the seriousness of our commitment to the values of Tau Beta Pi.

### **Proceedings**

At the time of your initiation, a member of Tau Beta Pi will meet you outside the initiation room and guide you through the ceremony. At that time, you will be led into a dimly lit room where the members will present the Association's history and values. The members will then ask you to covenant with Tau Beta Pi to uphold these values.

### **Phraseology**

Our Ritual uses language, including the words covenant, creed, solemn, and promise, whose contemporary meaning may differ from the original intention of the Founder and the present intentions of the Association. Tau Beta Pi retains this language for its connection to our long and honorable traditions. If you have further questions about the language of the Ritual or what it means to be initiated, please speak with your chapter president or visit [www.tbp.org](http://www.tbp.org) <<http://www.tbp.org>>.