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The Engineering Honor Society

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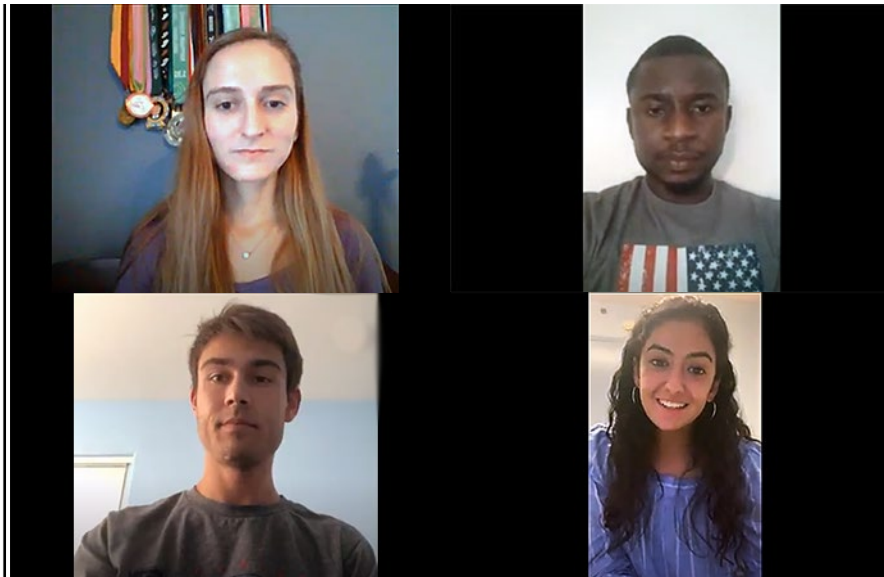
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## **Tau Beta Pi Distributes \$112,500 in Student Assistance Grants**

Knoxville, TN — Tau Beta Pi, The Engineering Honor Society, distributed \$112,500 in grants to 45 student members in amounts of \$2,500 each. The primary goal was to relieve student tuition debt and assist with students remaining in school. The decision was made that with the global pandemic and many students struggling to find summer work or internships there was no better time to spend a large portion of the Student Assistance Program (SAP) fund.

The Student Assistance Fund was created based on the interest and generosity of C.C. Young, *Illinois Alpha 1924*. An endowment fund was established in 1992 to provide funds to student members of Illinois Alpha and other Tau Beta Pi chapters who would otherwise be without financial resources to remain in college. Repayment is not required and interest is not charged.

All undergraduate students were eligible to apply, including previous scholarship recipients. The grants are not limited to the fall term as some students have already identified funding for this term, but will need help in the spring term. One of the few tenets of the SAP is that “students are asked to help others in need when and if they become financially secure.”



*Student grant recipients submitted “thank you” videos. See a few and read more about the Student Assistance Program at [www.tbp.org/memb/studentAssistance.cfm](http://www.tbp.org/memb/studentAssistance.cfm).*

**Tau Beta Pi is The Engineering Honor Society, founded at Lehigh University in 1885. With 250 collegiate chapters and 46 active alumni chapters, it has initiated more than 609,000 members in its 135-year history and is the world’s largest engineering society. (See <https://www.tbp.org/>) Contact [tbp.media@tbp.org](mailto:tbp.media@tbp.org) for more details.**

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