Proposed Programming for the Pacific Lutheran University
Mortar Board Honor Society

The Pacific Lutheran University Mortar Board is a distinct group on our campus. Currently we do not have a leadership honor society or club. Furthermore, the student-led process of member selection is unique from other leadership recognition processes on our campus. The Mortar Board offers its members an opportunity for leadership and service in their senior year through a beneficial cohort model. The institution supports Mortar Board and is committed to helping the chapter develop a community of leaders invested in service to their alma mater.

The Mortar Board Honor Society at Pacific Lutheran University proposes the following chapter programming.

Student Leader Mentor Program
Chapter members will, in collaboration with university offices and programs, identify emerging student leaders. Chapter members will serve as mentors who provide advice, encouragement, and resource navigation during regularly scheduled meetings with their mentees in order to empower them for successful scholarship, service, and leadership.

Student Leadership Series
Chapter members will contribute to an annual student leadership series by planning and presenting several workshops. This will honor the knowledge and insight of experienced senior student leaders, offer a valuable service to the campus community, and serve as an excellent way for chapter members to develop presentation skills. Chapter members will also attend the student leadership series sessions.

Together with Parkland
Each spring, the chapter will coordinate an event that will bring our PLU campus and the Parkland community together. This event will be done in conjunction with other university programs that are strengthening PLU’s role as a good neighbor within our community.

Senior Leadership Reflections
The chapter will coordinate a senior leadership reflection event. Chapter members will share their PLU story, including the scholarship, leadership, and service experiences that have shaped their learning. Chapter members will invite faculty, staff, and other students who have significantly influenced their PLU experience to attend their presentations. Chapter members will choose from among a variety of media options for their presentation, and some will be shared during new member orientation.

America Reads
The chapter will support the Pacific Lutheran University America Reads program, which aims to improve childhood literacy through service in five area elementary schools as part of the schools’ reading programs. America Reads also supports Mortar Board’s national Reading is Leading initiative.