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TARA FISCHER NAMED ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA'S 2017 OUTSTANDING ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

FAIRPORT, New York – The National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta selected Tara Fischer, Associate Dean of Academic Advising at Dickinson College, to be the recipient of the Outstanding Advisor of the Year Award for 2017. Fischer has served as the ALD advisor at Dickinson College since 2015.

Under Fischer's leadership, the chapter has won two Maintaining the Flame awards (2015 and 2016), two Alpha awards (Silver-Level in 2015 and Gold-Level in 2016) for membership yield, and a Delta Bronze-Level award for total membership percentage increase in 2016. During Fischer's tenure, Dickinson students have also won national scholarships, including a James G. Stemler Study Abroad Scholarship and a Jo Anne J. Trow Undergraduate Scholarship, both awarded in 2016.

"Ms. Fischer is incredibly passionate about recognizing and nurturing the talent of students with academic excellence," said Phuong Uyen Le, vice president of the Dickinson College ALD chapter. "She is gladly available to support before and mingle throughout all the events our chapter holds and sponsors. Her enthusiasm and energy really closes the gap between a school administrator and students, and she is, without a doubt, the best advisor one could ask for."

As a college dean, Fischer does her best to put Alpha Lambda Delta's name on the map by incorporating ALD into all the new academic plans and strategies at Dickinson (most recently, getting ALD featured as one of the signature programs for both freshmen and sophomores in the new Dickinson Four program). The chapter at Dickinson has remained very active with Fischer as the advisor, attending the National Leadership Conference, and hosting campus programs such as socials, welcome breakfasts, quiz bowls, and study rooms.

Fischer will be presented with an award from Alpha Lambda Delta and will deliver a keynote address at the 2017 National Leadership Conference in Phoenix, AZ this October. The chapter will also receive a \$200 cash award. Alpha Lambda Delta takes pride in recognizing Tara Fischer from Dickinson College as the 2017 Outstanding Advisor of the Year.

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Alpha Lambda Delta is a national honor society that recognizes students' academic success in their first year at a college or university. Founded in 1924, Alpha Lambda Delta has over a million lifetime members and is present on over 280 campuses nationwide. Alpha Lambda Delta's mission is to "encourage superior academic achievement, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning, and to assist students in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their unique roles in society."

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