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8 New Members Inducted to Hofstra's Mu Kappa Chapter of Gamma Theta Upsilon, the Geographic Honor Society



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The Department of Global Studies and Geography inducted eight new students to GTU and invited past initiates and graduating seniors and faculty from the department of global studies and geography for a ceremony and lunch held at the Netherlands. Dr. Evangeline McGlynn, Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University, delivered the ceremony's keynote address. **Dr. Ruth Trumble**, assistant professor of global studies and geography and Mu Kappa faculty sponsor, and Mu Kappa co-president, **Cameron Elwell ('26)**, a dual major in Geography and Global Studies, led the ceremony and welcomed the following new 8 inductees:

Elijah Fischer
Aadi Gadekar
Christopher Jackson
James Lawlor

Jacob Restaino
Cassandra Rogers
Hannah Turner
Sophie Turner



Jacob Restaino, Dr. Ruth Trumble, Cameron Elwell



Keynote Speaker, Dr. Evangeline McGlynn

“This honor society is a wonderful way to recognize the hard work students have been doing,” said **Dr. Ruth Trumble**. “Membership is lifelong and provides opportunities to foster dialogue and support academic excellence.”



Dr. Craig Dalton, Dr. Evangeline McGlynn, Dr. Grant Saff



Mu Kappa’s Spring 2025 induction ceremony

The first chapter of GTU was founded in 1928 at Illinois State Normal University. It became a national organization in 1931 and an international geographic honor society in 1949.

Since its establishment at Hofstra, **Mu Kappa** has been an eight-time recipient of the prestigious Gamma Theta Upsilon Honors Chapter Award. The award recognizes the scholarship of Hofstra’s geography students, as well as activities that celebrate and bring awareness of geography to the University’s campus and community. Membership in Mu Kappa now stands at 226 active members.

Follow the link below for the full, posted story by Ginny Greenberg, Senior Director of Communications at Hofstra University:

<https://news.hofstra.edu/2026/05/01/geography-society-mu-kappa-adds-eight-at-induction-ceremony/>

Below is a link to the album on Flickr:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/gsggeog/albums/72177720333256758>