

The Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM)

Information and Guidance on Joining SHRM

The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) has a Chapter at Plaza College. Students have the opportunity to join one of the world's largest associations devoted to human resource management. Representing more than 250,000 members in over 140 countries, SHRM serves the needs of HR professionals and advances the interests of the HR profession. Founded in 1948, SHRM has more than 575 affiliated chapters on college campuses within the United States and subsidiary offices in China, India and United Arab Emirates.

Who can join SHRM?

All School of Business and Technology students are eligible to join the society.

If you join SHRM how long does the membership last?

The membership is for one year. To remain in the society, you must renew your membership each year.

How much does it cost for the annual membership?

The cost of student membership is stated on the SHRM website: www.shrm.org

As of 2019, the cost of membership is \$40.

Does Plaza College help sponsor students who wish to become SHRM members?

Yes, the College has a program each year to help defray the cost of membership for about 10 members per year. Students who intend to actively contribute time to the society events may be considered for a reduced rate. Since the cost of student membership is determined by SHRM, inquire with Ms. Kaur, on how the College might contribute to your membership. (mkaur@plazacollege.edu)

What are the benefits of joining SHRM?

There are many benefits in becoming a member of SHRM. Since many of your HR related classes at Plaza require research about current issues, you will have access to the society's specialized library of resources. Joining a society also offers you the opportunity to participate in a professional society. This kind of activity is valuable to your career advancement and you can highlight your involvement in a professional society on your resume as well as job applications. The membership will also benefit you in networking with business leaders and other individuals that have valuable connections to unique job opportunities.

How can a student join the Society of Human Resource Management?

Contact Mandeep Kaur, the SHRM coordinator, (mkaur@plazacollege.edu); Ms. Kaur will provide you with a membership application to complete. Payment is expected in order for the membership to be processed. The cost of student membership is determined by SHRM and can be found on the website ([www. Shrm.org](http://www.Shrm.org)). A personal credit card can be used to complete the application or cash will be accepted and a receipt will be provided.

Am I required as a member of the Society of Human Resource Management to participate in activities?

The Chapter at Plaza encourages all members to participate actively, if their schedules permit. At a minimum, as a member you will be scheduled for a brief orientation on planned activities and how you can get involved.