## **Chapter Name:**

**Directions:**

Please complete the following sections in whatever format effectively conveys your chapter’s accomplishments (bullet points, paragraph format, pictures, etc.). We completely understand that the events of this year have disrupted traditional chapter activities, but we encourage you to share how your chapter has met this year’s challenges and maintained your sense of community. Please be as quantitative as possible and use as many pages as you need.

You are encouraged to elaborate on topics beyond those suggested in the italicized text. You are welcome to embed pictures within this document to help tell your story, but you must **upload at least 6 photos directly via the Google form. These are often highlighted in national publications.**

**Save your Chapter Report file using the naming format: [University Name] 2022 Chapter Report**(Ex. UNC Asheville 2022 Chapter Report.docx)

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# **1: What did this academic year look like for your department?**

*Please help us understand what the academic year looked like at your department. Please include things like (but not limited to)…*

* *Which groups of students (if any) were present on campus?*
* *Were in-person classes or events allowed?*
* *Were there any notable changes in your department’s organization (e.g., merging with other departments)?*
* *How did your chapter meet and communicate?*
* *How did you fund your activities?*

# **2: How has your Chapter maintained a sense of community amongst SPS members this year?**

*Please share new things you tried and any insights you gained about effectively maintaining your SPS community this year. These might include…*

* *What kinds of events were popular?*
* *Did you start a Discord or Slack group?*
* *Did you create a mentoring program amongst students? Were alumni involved?*

# **3: Describe your Chapter’s/Club’s activity with SPS.**

*Tell us about efforts related to topics including (but not limited to)…*

* *Did you apply for any SPS awards, scholarships, internships, chapter awards, adviser awards, etc.?*
* *Did you nominate anyone for SPS Associate Zone Councilor or Zone Councilor?*
* *Did you vote in the SPS National Council election?*
* *Did you collaborate with other SPS chapters?*
* *Did you attend SPS Zone meetings, National meetings, or Sigma Pi Sigma inductions?*

# **4: How has your Chapter has engaged with your community?**

*Tell us about how your chapter was active on campus – within the department or university. Your discussion might include…*

* *Guest speakers, movie screenings, business meetings, virtual tours, student presentation rehearsals*
* *Social events (e.g., zoom parties, movies, picnics, banquets, and outings)*
* *Science events (e.g., outreach, colloquia, workshops, poster sessions, invited speakers)*
* *Initiatives to improve inclusivity and diversity in your chapter or department*
* *Help with student recruitment and retention efforts for your department or university*
* *Interaction with alumni (e.g., newsletters, invitations to speak, arranging internships, or visits)*
* *Interactions with other student organizations or campus groups (e.g., blood drives, campus fundraisers)*
* *Service and outreach beyond the campus community (e.g., classroom demos, tutoring, help with science fairs, open houses)*
* *Other chapter-organized community service, fundraising, etc.*
* *Participation in off-campus social events or interactions with other civic groups*

# **5: How has your Chapter interacted with the professional physics community outside of your college/university?**

*In this section, tell us about…*

* *Participation in professional physics meetings (e.g.: AAPM, AAPT, AAS, ACA, AMS, APS, ASA, AVS, NSBP, OSA, SOR)— Include titles and authors of papers presented by your chapter members, attendance by your members, distances traveled, tours*
* *Any publications or presentations by chapter members (authored or co-authored) – please list titles, and full references.*
* *Any submissions to the Journal of Undergraduate Reports in Physics (JURP)*

# **6: How does your chapter connect alumni and the department?**

*Sigma Pi Sigma exists to honor outstanding scholarship in physics; encourage interest in physics among students at all levels; promote an attitude of service of its members towards their fellow students, colleagues, and the public; and provide a fellowship of persons who have excelled in physics.   
In this section, tell us about your Sigma Pi Sigma Chapter (as unique from your SPS chapter):*

* *What are your upcoming plans for inducting students and alumni into Sigma Pi Sigma?*
* *How does your chapter engage with alumni (e.g., invitations to inductions, department events with alumni, invited talks)?*
* *Did you give any Sigma Pi Sigma or SPS service awards?*

# **Highlight an activity or initiative your chapter is proud of this academic year. This may be published in an issue of *The SPS Observer*. (OPTIONAL)**

*In this section, describe an activity, event, or initiative your chapter is proud of, in an article format. Suggested length: 750-1500 words.   
Please include the following information:*

*Title:*

*Authors:*

*Point of contact for further questions:*

*List of image names and captions and photo credit to include if published. Ex. UMD\_October\_Outreach.jpg, SPS students build a spaceship with local children. Photo courtesy of Brad Conrad.   
For examples of published articles, check out the Features in the Winter 2021 issue of* The SPS Observer: spsnational.org/the-sps-observer/issues/winter-2021

# **Blake Lilly Prize Application (OPTIONAL)**

*The Blake Lilly Prize, given in honor of the late Blake Lilly, recognizes SPS chapters and individuals who make a genuine effort to positively influence the attitudes of school children and the general public about physics. The Blake Lilly Prize is an opportunity to be publicly recognized for these types of physics outreach efforts. Examples of eligible efforts include a "Physics Circus," classroom demonstrations, tutoring services for grades K-12, or assisting with school science fairs. For more details, visit:* [*www.spsnational.org/awards/blake-lilly*](http://www.spsnational.org/awards/blake-lilly)

If you wish to nominate an event your chapter or an individual from your chapter coordinated during the 2021-22 academic year for the Blake Lilly Prize, please detail the activity below.

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| Activity Name |  |
| Activity Description |  |
| Targeted Impact Areas | i.e.: Grade Levels, Diversity/Inclusion, Underrepresented Communities |
| Number of Attendees |  |
| SPS Volunteers |  |
| Student |  |
| Non-Student |  |
| Estimate of Hours to Implement Activity |  |
| Individual Name  (leave blank if applying as a chapter) |  |

## How is this activity different than what you have done before?

Please detail how this activity relates to outreach you have done previously.

## How did you assess the impact your activity had on the community?

Please discuss your evaluation methods, the results of the impact, and any improvements you are considering making in the future.