

Hola fellow Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers supporters!

We are Princeton's SHPE chapter, and we're excited to reach out to you today. We're writing as we hope you recognize how valuable SHPE is as a step in our young members' journeys. Our leadership strives to continue providing the same community, friendship, and access to opportunities that we always have and more.

During our time leading SHPE, we have had the honor and privilege of making an impact on each of our members' lives and trajectories. We've connected our members to various companies and recruiters. We've connected them with University faculty, staff, and administrators. And we've connected them with each other, allowing them to have another recognizable face in classes, the dining halls, or in their problem set study groups. It is very important to us that we see the next generation of Hispanics and Latines at Princeton succeed - especially after the Supreme Court's upsetting affirmative action ruling. We are here to take a stand and show that diversity is greatly important to higher education, that we have a right to be at this university, and that our presence is vital for making an impact on our community and our world.

We have organized a group of exceptionally bright students who dedicated time to meet the requirements we set before them to attend the SHPE national conference on November 1-5. Many of these students are the first in their families to attend college. Many come from low-income backgrounds. All of them are capable of making an impact. Why do we reach out to you? This conference will be a turning point in our members' undergraduate careers. Many large companies will be at this event offering on-site interviews and connections with recruiters, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for students. However, we need your help to bridge the gap between these students and opportunity. For every \$1,000 you donate, you will give a Latine engineering student access to what may be a job offer, connection, or internship that defines their career, and serves you as a tax deductible donation. You will empower them to make *generations* after them flourish.

We have successfully attained funding from other resources and departments on campus, but we need an additional \$8,000 to fund 22 exceptional SHPE members to attend the conference, the largest group ever sent at Princeton. You can help us make this bold goal possible. We know this is a big ask, but anything to offer would be beneficial. With a \$400 donation, for example, you can cover the costs of flying a student across the nation to the conference, their mandatory registration for the event, or their living expenses while at the conference. Anything would make a difference, and everything that you give will help empower Hispanic and Latine students at this university to make a difference and expand access and opportunity for this community. If you find yourself inclined to give, simply send a check payable to "Trustees of Princeton University" to the below address, and include "Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers 15135" in the memo line. We also ask that you please share this letter and opportunity with anyone you feel may delight in making a charitable contribution for the empowerment of the hispanic community on Princeton's campus.

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We thank you for your time and your contribution to this organization. We'll reach out soon to let you know more about the conference and the difference that you helped make!

Sincerely,
Your LeaderSHPE board