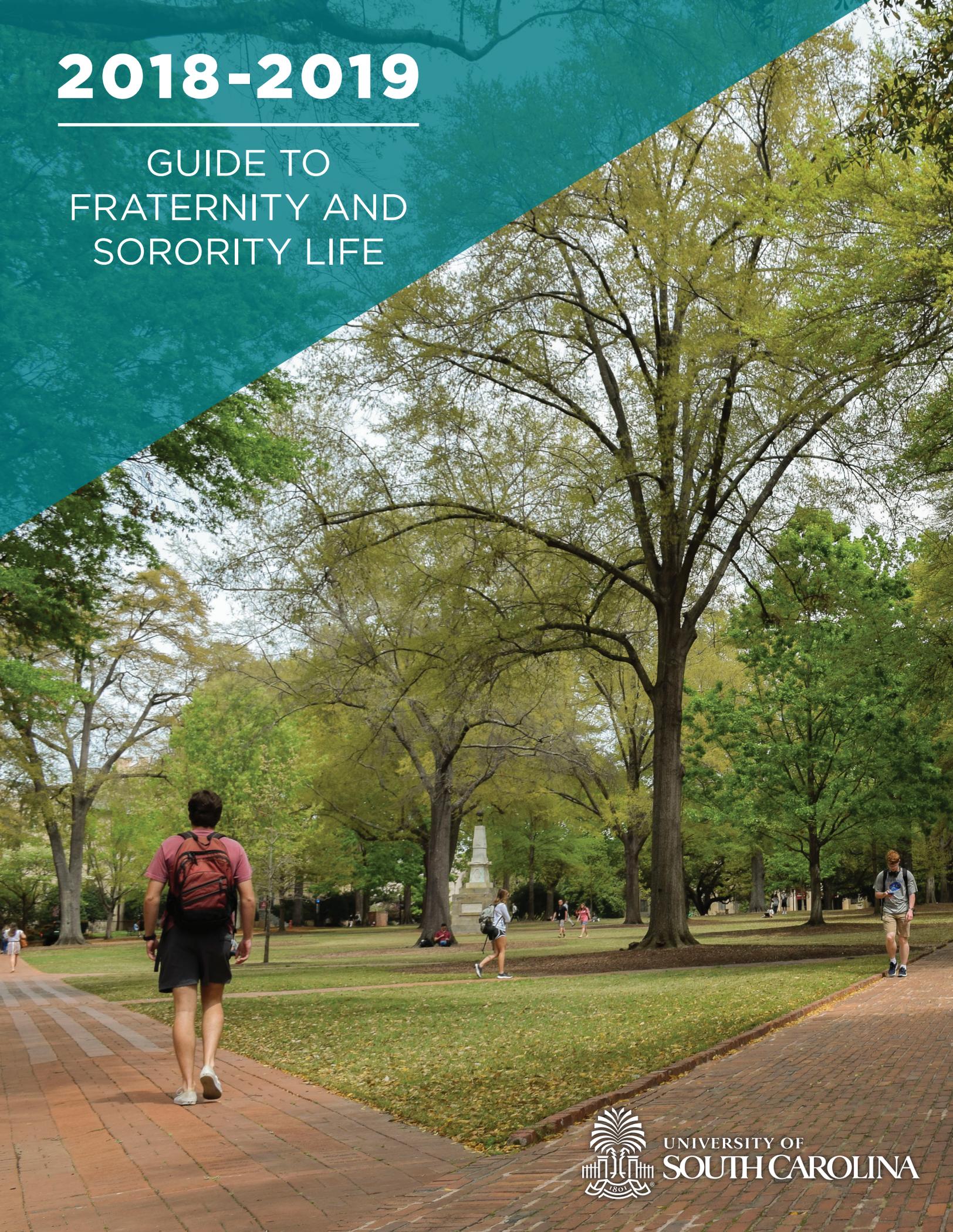


2018-2019

GUIDE TO FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE



UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTH CAROLINA



WELCOME

Congratulations on your decision to attend the University of South Carolina! At a university of this size, the number of great opportunities for campus involvement can be overwhelming. Our fraternity and sorority community allows members the chance to become involved on- and off-campus through philanthropic endeavors, athletics, academics, and leadership development all while building and maintaining lasting relationships. Regardless of how far you will travel to Columbia, your chosen organization will be your home away from home just as your newfound brothers or sisters will become family. For these reasons, joining our Greek community has the potential to be one of the best decisions you will make in college.

Greek men and women have been part of the longstanding tradition at the University of South Carolina since the first fraternity was established here in 1852. Should you choose to become a member of one of our organizations, you will be able to follow in the footsteps of the countless accomplished Greeks who came before you. Our community was founded on the values of scholarship, leadership, friendship, and service, and our members strive to live out these values each and every day.

Your time spent at the University of South Carolina will be the best years of your life, and we hope that this guide will provide you with a small glimpse into all the ways that Greek life can enhance your experience. We wish you the very best of luck on your college journey and look forward to meeting you in the fall!

GO GREEK AND GO GAMECOCKS!

Fraternity & Sorority Life

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IMPORTANT DATES

May 1: Panhellenic Sorority and IFC Fraternity Recruitment registrations open

May 31: \$155 Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment registration closes at 4 p.m. (EST)

June 30: \$180 Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment registration closes at 4 p.m. (EST)

July 31: \$205 Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment registration closes at 11:59 p.m. (EST)

Aug. 15: Women with on-campus housing who are registered for Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment can move into residence halls

Aug. 15-26: Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment events

Aug. 26: IFC Fraternity Recruitment Orientation

Aug. 29-Sept. 9: IFC Fraternity Recruitment events

Aug. 29: NPHC Meet the Greeks

Aug. 30: Intake Orientation

Sept. 10: MGC Showcase

COMMUNITY AT A GLANCE

Fraternity and Sorority Life at the University of South Carolina totals more than 6,500 members, making up 27% of the overall student body. Today, our community boasts 47 organizations, 20 on-campus facilities, and four councils. Each of our organizations has their own rituals, traditions, and philanthropies, but they all strive to live by the four core values of scholarship, leadership, service, and friendship.

Looking for more information?

Learn more about community statistics, programmatic offerings, and more at www.sa.sc.edu/fsl.

OFFICE OF FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE

The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life at the University of South Carolina works with the fraternities and sororities on campus to promote the values of scholarship, leadership, service, and friendship. The office staff collaborates to advise the governing councils while working directly with the presidents and executive officers of the 47 campus fraternities and sororities on leadership development and organizational management.

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SCHOLARSHIP

Fraternity and sorority members at Carolina have consistently achieved higher grade point averages and graduate at a significantly higher rate than non-Greek students. Individual chapters and the councils have scholarship chairs and academic programming to help their members succeed in the classroom.

FALL 2017

The all-Greek GPA was 3.31.

925

members earned a 4.0 GPA which is 13% of the community.

GREEK

students persist through their college career at a 10% higher rate than non-Greeks.

Every chapter has the opportunity to meet with an academic coach through the Student Success Center to assist members with study skills and accomplish their academic goals.

LEADERSHIP

Involvement in a Greek-letter organization provides a valuable opportunity to develop your leadership skills within your chapter and on campus. Almost two-thirds of Greeks are involved in an organization at Carolina outside of their chapter!

In Fall 2017, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life partnered with the Leadership and Service Center to offer two sections of the Close Family Emerging Leaders Program. This eight week program helps prepare students to be leaders in their chapter as well as explore the different leadership challenges that are unique to Greek life.

Looking for ways to get involved within the fraternity and sorority community?

Check out these opportunities:

College Panhellenic Association, Interfraternity Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council, Multicultural Greek Council, Greek Leadership Conference, GREEKServe, Greek Ambassadors, Greek Week Board, Rho Alpha and Pi Chi recruitment counselors.

Want more information about these opportunities? Visit www.sa.sc.edu/fsl.



SERVICE & PHILANTHROPY

Fraternalities and sororities are heavily involved in giving both their time and financial contributions to a variety of charitable causes.

Major Greek projects include:

- Circle of Sisterhood
- Trick-or-Treat with the Greeks
- Greek Week service projects
- Individual chapter events benefiting causes like cancer charities, hunger awareness, diabetes research, children's literacy, domestic violence, and more.
- GREEKServe

DID YOU KNOW?



During the 2017-2018 academic year, USC Greek organizations donated more than \$911,600 and over 94,000 hours to service and philanthropic organizations.



The Circle of Sisterhood Foundation, an organization that aims to remove educational boundaries of women around the world, is College Panhellenic's adopted philanthropy. In summer 2015, members from various sorority chapters traveled to Nicaragua to build a school on behalf of Circle of Sisterhood and College Panhellenic. In 2017, they committed to build another school and will be making a trip to Senegal in December 2018 to do a second build.



Trick-or-Treat with the Greeks provides a safe trick-or-treating environment for hundreds of children of community members and university staff. Children played games provided by the chapters and collected candy. Costumes were also donated to Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.



FRIENDSHIP

Most students seek Greek affiliation as a way to meet people and develop lifelong friendships. Through brotherhood and sisterhood retreats, social events, and a variety of other chapter activities, students are able to build a close network of brothers and sisters to share in their college experience.



All organizations host regular, substance-free brotherhood and sisterhood events each semester. Some examples include movie nights, laser tag, athletic events, and more!

Fraternities and sororities look forward to their signature social events each year, which include band parties, formals, semi-formals, beach and mountain weekends, and themed date parties.

Greek Week 2018 featured a variety of activities to build Greek friendship including A Night at the Strom, the annual Greek Sing competition, service events in partnership with service organizations, and a social media campaign promoting the benefits of Greek affiliation.

COUNCILS



INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

The North American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) is the umbrella group for 66 organizations, 20 of which have chapters on South Carolina's campus. The local USC board, the Interfraternity Council (IFC), has nine elected executive officers who hold weekly meetings with chapter presidents to create events, discuss current issues, and support recruitment efforts.

On a yearly basis, the Interfraternity Council (IFC) assists with a series of events including Greek Week, National Hazing Prevention Week, and Trick-or-Treat with the Greeks. The Interfraternity Council also supports all philanthropic events hosted within the community throughout the year.

The executive board is made up of nine elected positions that include president, secretary, vice president of conduct, vice president of programming, vice president of recruitment, vice president of finance, vice president of membership development, vice president of scholarship, and vice president of public relations.

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COLLEGE PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION

The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) is the umbrella group for 26 organizations, 13 of which have chapters on South Carolina's campus. The purpose of NPC is to be the "premier advocacy and support organization for the advancement of the sorority experience." At South Carolina, the College Panhellenic Association (CPA) is the subset campus organization that supports the Panhellenic chapters on our campus. The College Panhellenic Association has elected executive members to act as liaisons between the university and chapter members to create legislation, support recruitment of members, promote academic excellence, create educational programming and more. The council meets weekly with one representative from each Panhellenic chapter to collaborate and have open discussion about current issues.

The College Panhellenic Association executive board is made up of women from different chapters who disassociate to promote the ideals of scholarship, leadership, friendship, and service. The eight executive positions include president, vice president of recruitment, vice president of administration, vice president of accountability, vice president of member development, vice president of service, vice president of programming, and vice president of public relations.

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MULTICULTURAL GREEK COUNCIL

The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) is the governing council for the five culturally-based Greek-letter fraternities and sororities at the University of South Carolina. The purpose of the Multicultural Greek Council is to unify all multicultural organizations, to further promote

diversity and unity throughout the community, and to encourage cooperation and cohesion among member organizations and other organizations on campus.

MGC has seven executive officers including the president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, vice president of standards, vice president of service, and vice president of publicity. MGC holds bi-weekly meetings with a delegate from each organization to collaborate and discuss issues that impact MGC and

South Carolina. The council provides educational programming and service opportunities for member organizations and the student body. In addition to enriching the surrounding community, the council works to nurture the intellectual, emotional, and social development of its members.

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NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) is the coordinating council for the nine historically Black Greek-letter fraternities and sororities at the University of South Carolina. The purpose of the National Pan-Hellenic Council is to foster cooperative actions of its members in dealing

with matters of mutual concern. To this end, NPHC promotes the well-being of its member organizations and provides leadership development for its constituents. NPHC holds bi-weekly meetings with its executive board of eight officers and a delegate from each organization to collaborate and discuss issues that impact NPHC and South Carolina.

Greek governing councils, and the student body at-large. NPHC is committed to upholding the core values of scholarship, leadership, friendship, and service by developing, implementing, and supporting impactful and engaging programming designed to meet the needs of students on the University of South Carolina campus and residents of the Greater Columbia area.

NPHC at South Carolina serves as the communication link between its member organizations, university administrators, other

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ARE YOU PREPARED TO BE GREEK?

COMMUNITY COMMITMENT AT A GLANCE

Statistics for the fall 2017 semester

ACADEMIC COMMITMENT



All-Sorority GPA: 3.44
Sorority New Member GPA: 3.43



All-Fraternity GPA: 3.07
Fraternity New Member GPA: 2.97



925
students

in fraternities and sororities had a 4.0 GPA

13%

of fraternity and sorority members earned a 4.0

SERVICE COMMITMENT

Based on the 17-18 academic year

14 hours

contributed per member



\$140

raised per member



94,174 hours

dedicated to service

\$911,635

donated to service organizations

A B Γ Δ E Z H Θ I K Λ M
Alpha Beta Gamma Delta Epsilon Zeta Eta Theta Iota Kappa Lambda Mu

LEADERSHIP COMMITMENT



Percentage of fraternity and sorority members who are involved in at least one organization OUTSIDE of their chapter.

58%

MEMBERSHIP COMMITMENT



The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life believes that the Greek experience is not just for four years but for life!

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

Panhellenic Dues



IFC Dues



NPHC/Multicultural Dues



■ Chapter semester dues ■ First semester dues



FINAL NOTES ON FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

First semester dues are more expensive due to initiation fees and new member fees.

These fees strictly cover chapter dues and do not include chapter apparel/paraphernalia, philanthropic donations, housing, meal plans, and other incidentals.

Please note that all requirements and fees are averages based on previous years' statistics, and many organizations requirements exceed the average.

N Nu **E** Xi **O** Omicron **Π** Pi **P** Rho **Σ** Sigma **T** Tau **Υ** Upsilon **Φ** Phi **X** Chi **Ψ** Psi **Ω** Omega

SORORITY Cost to Join

	Housing	In-House Meal Plan	Out-of-House Meal Plan	Semester Dues	1st Semester Dues
ALPHA CHI OMEGA	\$3,000	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$616	\$954
ALPHA DELTA PI	\$2,800	\$1,264	\$1,264	\$370	\$470
ALPHA GAMMA DELTA	\$2,885	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$636	\$981
ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*
ALPHA XI DELTA	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$550	\$955
CHI OMEGA	\$2,670	\$1,745	\$1,555	\$330	\$330
DELTA DELTA DELTA	\$3,185	\$1,565	\$1,758	\$578	\$1,128
DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$325	N/A
DELTA ZETA	\$3,325	\$1,825	\$1,350	\$754	\$1,054
GAMMA PHI BETA	\$2,925	\$1,460	\$1,460	\$485	\$922
KAPPA DELTA	\$2,584	\$1,389	\$1,622	\$570	\$724
KAPPA DELTA CHI SORORITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$275	\$275
KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA	\$2,560	\$1,385	\$1,250	\$760	\$935
PHI MU	\$2,650	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$520	\$560
PI BETA PHI	\$3,058	\$1,575	\$1,450	\$799	\$1,266
SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$1,000	\$1,000
ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$100	\$1,000
ZETA SIGMA CHI MULTICULTURAL SORORITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*
ZETA TAU ALPHA	\$3,622	\$1,585	\$1,343	\$763	\$973

*official costs to be determined fall 2018

GREEK FEES

All members of the fraternity and sorority community pay a \$50* Greek activity fee. Members affiliated with one of the twenty facilities in the Greek Village pay an additional \$250* fee assessed by the university to support the construction of a parking garage dedicated to addressing the meal time congestion in the Greek Village.

*Note that this was the fee for 2017-18 academic year and may change for the 2018-19 academic year

A financial commitment is part of joining a fraternity or sorority. In order to operate, chapters charge membership dues once a semester. Fraternity members with houses in the Greek Village are typically required to live in the fraternity house at least one year, while sorority members with houses in the Greek Village have the opportunity to live in the house. Additionally, all chapters with houses have a meal plan for members starting the semester after a student joins the organization and lasting the duration of a student's college career.

FRATERNITY Cost to Join

	Housing	In-House Meal Plan	Out-of-House Meal Plan	Semester Dues	1st Semester Dues
ALPHA EPSILON PI	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$850	\$950
ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$90	\$1,100-\$1,500
BETA THETA PI	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$750	\$950
CHI PSI	\$3,250	\$2,050	\$2,050	\$850	\$850
DELTA KAPPA EPSILON	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$800	\$1,000
DELTA UPSILON	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$700	\$500
IOTA PHI THETA FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$100	\$1,200
KAPPA ALPHA ORDER	\$2,700	\$1,650	\$1,650	\$1,000	\$1,375
KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$100	\$2,500
KAPPA SIGMA	\$3,000	\$1,950	\$1,850	\$1,000	\$750
LAMBDA CHI ALPHA	\$2,660	\$1,550	\$1,825	\$850	\$960
OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*
PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*
PHI DELTA THETA	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$550	\$750
PHI GAMMA DELTA (FIJI)	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$825	\$650
PHI IOTA ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$235	\$300
PHI KAPPA SIGMA	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$800	\$950
PHI KAPPA TAU	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$700	\$750
PHI SIGMA KAPPA	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$900	\$500
PI KAPPA ALPHA	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$945	\$1,145
PI KAPPA PHI	\$3,650	\$1,720	\$1,720	\$750-\$850	\$850
SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON	\$2,900	\$1,700	\$1,575	\$1,000	\$1,250
SIGMA BETA RHO FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	*	*
SIGMA LAMBDA BETA FRATERNITY, INC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$300	\$700
SIGMA NU	\$2,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,000	\$500
SIGMA PHI EPSILON	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$600	\$900
THETA CHI	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$1,000	\$1,000
THETA DELTA CHI	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$650	\$575

*official costs to be determined fall 2018

Please note that all housing costs, meal plan fees, and chapter dues are subject to change.

HOW TO JOIN



RECRUITMENT & INTAKE PROCESSES

Three different membership recruitment processes exist for fraternities and sororities to take in new members. Each process will be explained in detail in the following pages. Please note that all organizations have a cost associated with membership. To learn more about these costs, please see pages 14 and 15.

INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL RECRUITMENT:

The fraternities that are members of the North American Interfraternity Conference participate in fraternity recruitment, which gives men a chance to get a feel for fraternity life. See pages 17 and 18 for more information.

PANHELLENIC RECRUITMENT:

The 13 sororities that are members of the National Panhellenic Conference participate in primary recruitment, which gives potential new members a chance to visit with each chapter and follows a structured schedule of events. See pages 21 for more information.

MEMBERSHIP INTAKE:

The nine National Pan-Hellenic Council fraternities and sororities, as well as the five multicultural Greek fraternities and sororities, participate in membership intake, which is organized by the individual chapters. See page 24 for more information.

INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL (IFC) RECRUITMENT

IFC Recruitment Orientation is mandatory for all men participating in fall IFC Fraternity Recruitment. At orientation, the process and policies will be explained in detail. Community leaders will be present to answer any questions you may have on fraternity life at South Carolina. Please check your email to see which session you should attend.

RECRUITMENT EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

Potential new members must attend at least one of these sessions, all held in the Russell House Theater.

Monday, Aug. 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m.



- REGISTRATION OPENS ONLINE** **Tuesday, May 1**
- RECRUITMENT ORIENTATION** **Sunday, Aug. 26**
Russell House Ballroom
- OPEN HOUSE ROUND** **Monday, Sept. 3**
Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center
- INVITATION ROUNDS** **Tuesday, Sept. 4-
Saturday, Sept. 8**
Location and time determined by chapter
- BID DAY** **Sunday, Sept. 9**



INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL RECRUITMENT GUIDELINES

All potential new members who wish to accept membership into a fraternal organization in the fall 2018 semester must meet the following requirements:

- > Be a full-time student at the University of South Carolina Columbia
- > Have a 2.75 cumulative GPA or be an incoming freshman student
- > Pay the \$60 recruitment fee
- > Must participate in at least one community service event between Aug. 23 and Sept. 9 sponsored by Interfraternity Council, an individual chapter, or on your own (Interfraternity Council must be able to verify these service hours)
- > Attend at least one of the supplied educational programs during informal recruitment week (hosted by Interfraternity Council)
- > Observe the no-alcohol policy during recruitment activities

YOUR FIRST TWO WEEKS...

We are glad you are interested in becoming a part of our fraternity community. Please take advantage of your first two weeks of school to learn even more about being a fraternity man on campus. Like us on Facebook for up-to-date information and be sure to register for recruitment at www.sa.sc.edu/fsl/fraternity to receive email updates in order to help you learn more about our community's values of scholarship, leadership, friendship, and service.

IFC CHAPTERS



ΑΕΠ

ALPHA EPSILON PI

National Founding: 1913

Local Founding: 2007

Facebook:

@AePiGammaChiSouthCarolina

National Website: aepi.org

Colors: Gold and blue

ΒΘΠ

BETA THETA PI

National Founding: 1839

Local Founding: 1859 (Recolonized 2010)

National Website: beta.org

Colors: Delicate shades of pink and blue

ΧΨ

CHI PSI

National Founding: 1841

Local Founding: 1858

National Website: chipsi.org

Colors: Purple and gold

ΔΚΕ

DELTA KAPPA EPSILON

National Founding: 1844

Local Founding: 1852

Instagram: @sc_dke

Twitter: @sc_dke

National Website: dke.org

Colors: Blue, gold, and crimson

ΔΥ

DELTA UPSILON

National Founding: 1834
Local Founding: 1983
Facebook: @scdeltau
Instagram: @deltaupsilonsc
Twitter: @scdeltau
National Website: deltau.org
Colors: Old gold and sapphire blue

ΚΑ

KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

National Founding: 1865
Local Founding: 1881
Facebook: Kappa Alpha Order - Rho Chapter
National Website: kappaalphaorder.org
Colors: Crimson and old gold

ΚΣ

KAPPA SIGMA

National Founding: 1869
Local Founding: 1890
Facebook: Kappa Sigma South Carolina
Instagram: @KappaSigmaSouthCarolina
Twitter: KappaSigmaCola
National Website: kappasigma.org
Colors: Emerald and red

ΛΧΑ

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

National Founding: 1909
Local Founding: 1945
Facebook: Lambda Chi Alpha Epsilon Psi Zeta
Instagram: @LambdaChiUSC
National Website: lambdachi.org
Colors: Purple, green, and gold

FIJI

PHI GAMMA DELTA

National Founding: 1848
Local Founding: 2015
Facebook: USCPHiGam
Instagram: @uscphigam
National Website: phigam.org
Colors: Royal purple

ΦΔΘ

PHI DELTA THETA

National Founding: 1848
Local Founding: 2017
Facebook: Phi Delta Theta University of South Carolina
Instagram: @usc_phidelt
National Website: phideltatheta.org
Colors: Blue and white

ΦΚΣ

PHI KAPPA SIGMA

National Founding: 1873
Local Founding: 1929
National Website: pks.org
Colors: Black and old gold

ΦΚΤ

PHI KAPPA TAU

National Founding: 1906
Local Founding: 2017
Facebook: @gamecockphitau
Twitter: @gamecock_phitau
Instagram: @gamecock_phitau
National Website: phikappatau.org
Colors: Harvard red and old gold

ΦΣΚ

PHI SIGMA KAPPA

National Founding: 1873
Local Founding: 2006
National Website: phisigmakappa.org
Colors: Red and silver

ΠΚΑ

PI KAPPA ALPHA

National Founding: 1868
Local Founding: 1891
Instagram: @xipikes_usc
National Website: pikes.org
Colors: Garnet and gold

ΠΚΦ

PI KAPPA PHI

National Founding: 1904
Local Founding: 1910
National Website: pikapp.org
Colors: Blue, gold, and white

ΣΑΕ

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

National Founding: 1856
Local Founding: 1882
National Website: sae.net
Colors: Old Gold and royal purple

ΣΝ

SIGMA NU

National Founding: 1869
Local Founding: 1874
National Website: sigmanu.org
Colors: Black, gold, and white

ΣΦΕ

SIGMA PHI EPSILON

National Founding: 1901
Local Founding: 1904
Facebook: SigepAtSouthCarolina
Twitter: @USCSigEp
Instagram: @USCSigEp
National Website: sigep.org
Colors: Purple and red

ΘΧ

THETA CHI

National Founding: 1856
Local Founding: 2015
Instagram: @scthetachi
Twitter: @scthetachi
National Website: thetachi.org
Colors: Military red and white

ΘΔΧ

THETA DELTA CHI

National Founding: 1847
Local Founding: 1859 (Recolonized 2008)
National Website: thetadeltachi.net
Colors: White, blue, and black

PANHELLENIC SORORITY RECRUITMENT

All women participating in Panhellenic SorORITY Recruitment who are living on campus will be able to move in on Wednesday, Aug. 15 at staggered times assigned by University Housing. Details regarding move-in day activities and schedules will be communicated later in the summer. Please visit www.sa.sc.edu/sorORITY or email uscsorORITYrecruitment@gmail.com for more information.

Registration costs include several meals, two sorORITY recruitment T-shirts, a backpack, and other recruitment expenses. An additional fee of \$100 will be charged to women moving into residence halls for recruitment. This will be billed through Self Service Carolina.

This year, we're offering online workshops to be completed prior to recruitment. Shortly after registering, potential members will receive an email prompting them to complete the workshops. The online education reviews important information about recruitment and sorORITY membership expectations and is required to be completed by Aug. 1.

RECRUITMENT ORIENTATION

Wednesday, Aug. 15

GO GREEK ROUND

Thursday, Aug. 16 & Friday, Aug. 17

SORORITY 101 PROGRAMMING

Friday, Aug. 17

PHILANTHROPY ROUND

Saturday, Aug. 18 & Sunday, Aug. 19

LEADING WOMEN ROUND

Monday, Aug. 20 - Wednesday, Aug. 22

PREFERENCE ROUND

Saturday, Aug. 25

BID DAY

Sunday, Aug. 26

REGISTRATION DATES

Register for recruitment at:

www.sa.sc.edu/sorORITY

Registration opens: **May 1**

Registration closes: **July 31 at 11:59 p.m. (EST)**

REGISTRATION FEES

May 1 - 31: **\$155**

June 1 - 30: **\$180**

July 1 - July 31: **\$205**

This registration fee is non-refundable.



PANHELLENIC CHAPTERS



ΑΧΩ

ALPHA CHI OMEGA

National Founding: 1885

Local Founding: 1988

Facebook: @axousc

Instagram: @alphachiusc

National Website: alphachiomega.org

Colors: Scarlet and Olive Green

ΑΔΠ

ALPHA DELTA PI

National Founding: 1851

Local Founding: 1928

Facebook: Alpha Delta Pi - Beta Epsilon

Instagram: @adpisouthcarolina

National Website: alphadeltapi.org

Colors: Azure Blue and White

ΑΓΔ

ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

National Founding: 1904

Local Founding: 2012

Facebook: @AlphaGamUSC

Instagram: @alphagamusc

National Website: alphagammadelta.org

Colors: Red, Buff, and Green

ΑΞΔ

ALPHA XI DELTA

National Founding: 1893

Local Founding: 2016

Facebook: @UofSCAXiD

Instagram: @uofscAXID

National Website: alphaxidelta.org

Colors: Double Blue and Gold

XΩ

CHI OMEGA

National Founding: 1895
Local Founding: 1928
Facebook: @uscchiomega
Instagram: @uscchiomega
National Website: chiomega.com
Colors: Cardinal and Straw

ΔΔΔ

DELTA DELTA DELTA

National Founding: 1888
Local Founding: 1928
Facebook: @sctridelta
Instagram: @sctridelta
National Website: tridelta.org
Colors: Silver, Gold, and Cerulean Blue

ΔΖ

DELTA ZETA

National Founding: 1902
Local Founding: 1928
Facebook: Delta Zeta at the University of South Carolina
Instagram: @usc deltazeta
National Website: deltazeta.org
Colors: Rose and Green

ΓΦΒ

GAMMA PHI BETA

National Founding: 1874
Local Founding: 2005
Facebook: Zeta Sigma Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta
Twitter: @uscgammaphi
Instagram: @uscgammaphi
National Website: gammaphibeta.org
Colors: Brown and Mode

ΚΔ

KAPPA DELTA

National Founding: 1897
Local Founding: 1940
Facebook: @Betazetakd
Instagram: @southcarolinakd
National Website: kappadelta.org
Colors: Olive Green and Pearl White

ΚΚΓ

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

National Founding: 1870
Local Founding: 1967
Facebook: Kappa Kappa Gamma University of South Carolina
Instagram: @southcarolinakkg
National Website: kappakappagamma.org
Colors: Dark Blue and Light Blue

ΦΜ

PHI MU

National Founding: 1852
Local Founding: 2009
Facebook: University of South Carolina Phi Mu
Instagram: @scphimu
Twitter: @SCPhiMu
National Website: phimu.org
Colors: Rose and White

ΠΒΦ

PI BETA PHI

National Founding: 1867
Local Founding: 1931 (Recolonized 2014)
Facebook: @southcarolinapibphi
Instagram: @uofscpiphi
National Website: pibetaphi.org
Colors: Wine and Silver Blue

ZTA

ZETA TAU ALPHA

National Founding: 1898
Local Founding: 1929
Facebook: @ZTAatUSC
Instagram: @usczta
National Website: zetataualpha.org
Colors: Turquoise Blue and Steel Gray



MEMBERSHIP INTAKE

Undergraduate students who wish to join a National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) or Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) organization must meet specific membership qualifications. These standards include, but are not limited to, academic achievement (2.5-3.0 GPA depending on the organization), community service, and good character. Any interested student is required to have a minimum of 12 credit hours before participating in the intake process, and students who are on disciplinary probation may not participate. Such requirements are designed to promote the advancement of strong and effective chapters. Each organization implements its own unique membership intake process.

To learn more about NPHC and MGC organizations, students are required to attend the Intake Orientation meeting co-hosted by NPHC and MGC. Intake Orientation is generally held at the beginning of both fall and spring semesters. Fall 2018 Intake Orientation is Aug. 30 at 6 p.m. in the Russell House Theater. Additionally, interested candidates are expected to research each individual organization and chapter, as well as attend various events hosted by NPHC and MGC organizations on campus.

ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATING IN THE MEMBERSHIP INTAKE PROCESS ARE:

- > Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, Inc. (MGC)
- > Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (MGC)
- > Sigma Beta Rho Fraternity, Inc. (MGC)
- > Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc. (MGC)
- > Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. (NPHC)
- > Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority, Inc. (MGC)



NRHC CHAPTERS

ΑΦΑ

ALPHA PHI ALPHA
FRATERNITY, INC.

National Founding: 1906

Local Founding: 1973

Instagram: @thetanu06

National Website: apa1906.net

Colors: Old Gold and Black

ΙΦΘ

IOTA PHI THETA
FRATERNITY, INC.

National Founding: 1963

Local Founding: 2010

Facebook: @EtaBetalotas

Instagram: @EtaBetalotas

National Website: iotaphitheta.org

Colors: Charcoal Brown and
Gilded Gold

ΚΑΨ

KAPPA ALPHA PSI
FRATERNITY, INC.

National Founding: 1911

Local Founding: 1970

Facebook: @ZENupesUSC

Instagram: @zenupes

National Website:
kappaalphapsi1911.com

Colors: Crimson and Cream

ΩΨΦ

OMEGA PSI PHI
FRATERNITY, INC.

National Founding: 1911

Local Founding: 1973

Instagram: @zzques

National Website: oppf.org

Colors: Purple and Gold

ΑΚΑ

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA
SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1908

Local Founding: 1973

Instagram: @TheGlamorousTG

National Website: aka1908.org

Colors: Salmon Pink and Apple Green

ΔΣΘ

DELTA SIGMA THETA
SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1913

Local Founding: 1973

Instagram: @iotachi1913

National Website: deltasigmatheta.org

Colors: Crimson and Cream

ΦΒΣ

PHI BETA SIGMA
FRATERNITY, INC.

National Founding: 1914

Local Founding: 1978

Facebook: USCSigmas

Instagram: @usc_sigmas

National Website: pbs1914.org

Colors: Royal Blue and Pure White

ΣΓΡ

SIGMA GAMMA RHO
SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1922

Local Founding: 1974

Instagram: @zetatheta1922

National Website: sgrho1922.org

Colors: Royal Blue and Antique Gold

ΖΦΒ

ZETA PHI BETA
SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1920

Local Founding: 1976

Instagram: @psieta1920

National Website: zphib1920.org

Colors: Royal Blue and Pure White



MGC CHAPTERS

KΔΧ

**KAPPA DELTA CHI
SORORITY, INC.**

National Founding: 1987

Local Founding: 2015

Facebook: @kdchiusc

Instagram: @kdchi_uofsc

National Website: kappadeltachi.org

Colors: Pink and Maroon

ΦΙΑ

**PHI IOTA ALPHA
FRATERNITY, INC.**

National Founding: 1931

Local Founding: 2011

Facebook: @USCsPhiotas

Instagram: @uscphiotas

National Website: phiota.org

Colors: Gold, Blue, Red, and White

ΣΒΡ

**SIGMA BETA RHO
FRATERNITY, INC.**

National Founding: 1996

Local Founding: 2010

Facebook: USC Sigma Beta Rho

Instagram: @USC_SigRho

National Website: sigmabetarho.com

Colors: Red, Black, and Green

ΣΛΒ

**SIGMA LAMBDA BETA
INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY, INC.**

National Founding: 1986

Local Founding: 2013

Facebook: @USCBrothers

Instagram: usc_betas

National Website:

sigmalambdabeta.com

Colors: Royal Purple and Pure White

ZΣΧ

**ZETA SIGMA CHI
MULTICULTURAL SORORITY, INC.**

National Founding: March 3, 1991

Local Founding: August 21, 2010

Facebook: USC ZChi

Instagram: @usc_zchi

National Website: zetasingmachi.com

Colors: Peach and Black



FRATERNITY AND SORORITY HOUSING

The University of South Carolina is fortunate to have some of the premier fraternity and sorority houses in the country. The Greek Village features 20 facilities and houses approximately 700 students. The Greek Village is managed by the USC Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and the fraternity and sorority house corporations. Each house has a live-in property manager who is trained to manage the facility, develop mentoring relationships with residents, and make sure rules and policies are upheld.

All first-year students at the University of South Carolina are expected to live in residence halls for the duration of the contract they will sign this summer for both fall and spring semesters. This means that students will be responsible for the full cost of their University Housing contracts for the fall and spring semesters. No exceptions will be made for students who wish to move from a residence hall to the Greek Village.



HAZING POLICY & ORGANIZATIONAL CONDUCT

Hazing is against the law. The University of South Carolina strongly believes in a vibrant learning environment where all students learn, grow, and develop to their fullest potential in a safe atmosphere. As such, Carolina strongly prohibits any actions, including hazing, that detract from such an environment.

Here is a link to USC's hazing policy:
www.sc.edu/policies/ppm/staf305.pdf

No organization or its initiated or uninitiated members registered or otherwise, officially or in fact, may participate in the activity of hazing. Hazing is any activity undertaken by a group or organization or a member of that group or organization in which members or prospective or uninitiated members are subjected to activities which harass, intimidate, physically exhaust, impart pain, cause undue mental fatigue or mental distress, emotional distress or engages in any conduct which presents a threat to the student's health or safety, or which cause mutilation or alteration of the body or parts of the body, which shall include but are not limited to brutality of a physical nature such as whipping, beating, branding, or exposure to elements.

Such activities include but are not limited to: tests of endurance, personal servitude activities such as cleaning, driving and running errands, submission of members or prospective members to potentially dangerous or hazardous circumstances, activities which have a foreseeable potential for resulting in personal injury, or any activity which by its nature is so profound that it would have a potential to cause severe mental anxiety, mental distress, emotional distress, panic, degradation, interference with a student's academic progress or performance or public embarrassment.

Registered organizations and groups shall be permitted certain initiation ceremonies and activities, which when examined by the ordinary university student, would seem reasonable under the circumstances and justified in view of the purpose for which they are conducted. It shall not constitute a defense to the charge of hazing that the participants took part voluntarily, gave consent to the

conduct, voluntarily assumed the risks or hardship of the activity, that the conduct was not part of an official organizational event or sanctioned or approved by the organization, that the conduct was not done as a condition of membership in the organization or that no injury in fact was suffered. An individual is responsible for hazing if they personally take or contribute to the actions described in this section or if they know hazing will occur or is occurring and do nothing to stop and report it to the appropriate university and legal authorities.

Retaliation against any individual who reports a hazing violation or suspected hazing violations to the university or law enforcement official would be considered a violation against university policy.

To help you make fully informed choices about joining fraternities and sororities at UofSC, we provide a report on organizational conduct violations dating back to 2011. Think about this information as you evaluate the safety and integrity of the organizations you're considering joining. Make a plan to be an active bystander in an unsafe situation and know what you can do to stop harmful behavior and get help for yourself and your peers. We care about your safety and well-being, and we appreciate your support as we work together, guided by the tenets of the Carolinian Creed, to keep our campus and community safe. In accordance with the **Tucker Hipps Transparency Act**, the university publishes this report on actual findings of violations involving alcohol, drugs, sexual assault, physical assault and hazing by fraternity and sorority organizations formally affiliated with the institution. The report includes the name of the responsible organizations; the dates of the incident, report, charge, investigation and resolution; and a general description of the incident and the subsequent charges, findings and sanctions placed on the organization. This information can be found on the main Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life website at www.sa.sc.edu/fsl.

Want to report hazing anonymously?

Call the Fraternity and Sorority Life Hazing Hotline at 803-777-5800.

FOR PARENTS

Parents play a large role in a student's college career and in their decision to join a fraternity or sorority. Whether or not your family has a history of fraternity and sorority involvement, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life is here to help you along the way. We greatly value the role that parents play in the lives of their children and look to you as an ally in making every student's fraternity and sorority experience the best that it can be.



QUESTIONS FREQUENTLY ASKED BY PARENTS

What is the financial obligation of joining?



Costs to be a member of a fraternity or sorority can vary greatly by chapter, but it is important to know ahead of time that there will be some costs associated. The dues go toward (inter)national fees, chapter operating costs, and social functions. New members should expect to pay higher dues their first semester due to initiation fees. Groups who have a chapter facility in the Greek Village require members to join the Greek meal plan after their first semester. This is an expectation of membership.

Who runs the fraternities and sororities?



Students elect their own officers to manage the day-to-day operations of the organization. These officers are assisted by chapter members serving on committees and alumni who serve as advisors to the officers and general chapter members. Chapter facilities are owned by a house corporation that oversees the facility's management and operations. Each chapter is governed by its (inter)national headquarters and governing council on campus. Additionally, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life staff supports and advises the governing councils, Greek boards, chapter officers, and advisors.

What is the time commitment like?



The time commitment generally varies from chapter to chapter and from member to member, but you can expect your student to invest more time in their fraternity or sorority during the first semester as they go through the new member education program. New member education focuses on learning the history and facts about the organization, developing leadership and time management skills, and spending time getting to know their brothers or sisters. Although it can be time intensive, it should not interfere with academic commitments. If you have concerns about the time your student is putting into their chapter, do not hesitate to contact our office.

IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME

Frequently Used Greek Terms

Advisor: An alumnus member who serves as a resource for the active chapter and liaison between the alums and collegians.

Alumni: Members of a fraternity who have graduated. (Singular is alumnus.)

Alumnae: Members of a sorority who have graduated. (Singular is alumna.)

Badge: Also known as a pin, it is an item of jewelry given to members upon initiation. The badge is to be worn at all official functions. The badge must be worn with business-like attire, usually over the heart and above all other pins.

Bid: An invitation to join a fraternity or sorority. They are given out on Bid Day during formal recruitment.

Bid Day: The last day of recruitment where potential new members receive formal invitations to join a fraternity or sorority.

Call: A yell used mostly by NPHC. Used to identify and greet brothers and sisters. Non-members are not permitted to use the call.

Chapter: A branch of a national sorority or fraternity, established at a campus. Each will have its own name, usually designated by Greek letters.

Collegian/Collegiate: An initiated member of a fraternity or sorority currently in college. Formerly known as active.

Colony: A new organization that is awaiting official recognition from its national office to have a chapter at a campus.

Expansion/Extension: When an organization is looking to expand and open a new chapter at a school.

Founders Day: An event celebrated by fraternities and sororities to highlight the founding of their organization and celebrate its history. It's not necessarily held on the day the organization was founded.

Initiate: A person who has recently learned the ritual of a fraternity or sorority and is a full member.

Initiation: A ceremony where a new member becomes a full member of the organization. Initiation ceremonies are private and different for all organizations.

Intake: Term for the process by which MGC and NPHC members select and educate new members of the organization.

Legacy: The son, daughter, brother, or sister of an initiated or alumnus/alumna member. Some organizations also include grandchildren or step-children.

Line: The new member class of NPHC organizations that are often named.

Multicultural Greek Council: The governing board for culturally based Greek-letter fraternities and sororities at the University of South Carolina.

Neophyte: New member of an NPHC organization. Also called a neo.

New Member: After receiving and accepting a bid, the person becomes a new member.

NIC: Stands for North American Interfraternity Conference and is the national governing body of the men's fraternities.

National Panhellenic Conference: The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) is the organization that governs the 26 national women's sororities.

National Pan-Hellenic Council: The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), the governing body of the nine traditionally African-American fraternities and sororities, also known as the Divine Nine.

Order of Omega: An honor society for Greek members who demonstrate outstanding leadership and academic achievement.

Recruitment: The process where NPC sororities and NIC fraternities recruit new members. Potential new members have the opportunity to interact with all participating organizations and learn more about fraternity/sorority life.

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