

GREEK LIFE

2020-2021



FRATERNITY AND
SORORITY AFFAIRS

Dear Current/Future OSU student and Parents,

On behalf of Oklahoma State University and the Division of Student Affairs, I would like to welcome you to campus for Greek Discovery Day. We are excited that you are considering joining our award-winning fraternity/sorority community at OSU. Our students and dedicated Fraternity & Sorority Affairs staff have been preparing for your visit. We hope you will take full advantage of the opportunity to learn about the more than 45 chapters at OSU across the four different councils (Interfraternity Council, Panhellenic Council, Multicultural Greek Council and National Pan-Hellenic Council) which compromise almost 25% of the campus population.

Our thriving fraternity/sorority community demonstrates the Oklahoma State University core value of service by contributing more than 100,000 of community service hours and an estimated quarter of a million philanthropic dollars to both national and local causes. By joining a fraternity or sorority at OSU, you will have the unique opportunity to have an impact not only on your chapter and OSU but beyond in society.

Our fraternal organizations are scholars on campus with some of the highest first-year student retention rates in comparison to their non-Greek peers (90%). Additionally, national studies have also found positive correlation related to graduation rates and first-year retention of fraternity/sorority members (Biddix, 2014). Our organizations take great pride in their scholarly achievement, the academic mission and your success as a student at OSU.

Our goal at OSU is to help you find that sense of belonging with various involvement opportunities within both our fraternity/sorority community and the more than 500 student organizations on campus. As a fraternity/sorority member, you will have the opportunity to gain valuable soft skills, which have been identified by employers such as leadership, teamwork, collaboration, and communication (NACE Job Outlook 2019). The fraternity/sorority experience, while social in nature, can be the most comprehensive collegiate leadership experience, if you take advantage of all the benefits of membership. In closing, I would like to once again welcome you to Oklahoma State University. The Division of Student Affairs is here to help assist you in your transition as you connect to campus. With a variety of campus resources available to promote your success both in and outside the classroom environment. Please utilize the expertise of the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs and Council Officers as you navigate the fraternity/sorority process. We look forward to seeing you on campus soon!

Go Pokes!

Sincerely,

Douglas A. Hallenbeck, Ph.D.

Vice President for Student Affairs



Welcome!

Dear OSU Prospective and Current Students,

On behalf of our fraternity/sorority community at Oklahoma State University, we are excited you are interested in joining one of our award-winning Greek-letter organizations. Our community is comprised of almost 50 organizations and 5,000 students that for 100 years have served as an integral part of campus life at OSU. The fraternity/sorority experience is one of the most comprehensive leadership opportunities you can be involved in during your time at OSU and beyond your college years. You will have the opportunity to engage in meaningful philanthropy and community service, build your leadership capacity, and develop friendships that will last a lifetime.

We hope you will utilize this publication to access important information related to each of our four governing councils, which include the Interfraternity Council, Multicultural Greek Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council and Panhellenic Council. We also encourage you to participate in each of these communities various recruitment events and convocations to meet members of the organization and community so you may “find your fit.” Our staff is also eager and willing to assist you as you make this decision of lifetime commitment in a fraternity or sorority, feel free to reach out at any time.

Go Greek and Go Pokes!

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Our Fraternity & Sorority Community

Greek Life at Oklahoma State University is composed of more than 45 fraternity and sorority chapters and four governing councils; the Interfraternity Council, Multicultural Greek Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council and Panhellenic Council. Fraternity and sorority membership offers students a unique opportunity to have a balanced college life with a focus on academic excellence, brotherhood/sisterhood, leadership development, community service and responsible social interaction. Greek affiliation also allows students to make lasting friendships with individuals with similar ideals and common purposes.

The Four Pillars of Greek Life

Academics

The fraternity and sorority community makes academics a top priority. Many chapters have an academic development program which enforces a strict academic policy that includes maintaining a respectable grade point average to participate in chapter activities. Further, each fraternity and sorority has its own scholarship program that will promote academic success and effective time management skills.

92%
FIRST-YEAR
RETENTION RATE

SUCCESS DRIVEN

76%

FRATERNITY
AND SORORITY
STUDENT
GRADUATION RATE





Brotherhood & Sisterhood Leadership

At Oklahoma State University, fraternities and sororities enable young men and women to establish strong friendships that last far beyond their college years. Affiliation provides members with an opportunity to interact with other students of all ages, backgrounds and interests. Membership offers a network of support while students are making the transition to college life.

Both on-campus and off-campus, fraternity and sorority members learn the importance of dedication, working with others, responsibility and self-reliance. In addition, there are many leadership opportunities within the fraternity and sorority community apart from those within each chapter. Whether you are a natural leader, enhance and cultivate your skills or just seek to be involved, fraternity and sorority membership will help you develop your unique, individual potential.

Philanthropy

One of the most gratifying aspects of fraternity and sorority membership is the sense of satisfaction and pride that comes with involvement in philanthropy and community service. In 2018, students raised nearly a quarter of a million dollars and gave more than 70,000 hours of their time. In addition to the individual chapter projects, the community comes together several times per year to perform joint projects for both the campus and the community. Whether raising money or donating time, service is an essential part of the fraternal experience.

Student Organization Alcohol Policy

- The organization, members and guests must comply with all federal, state, provincial and local laws. No person under the legal drinking age may possess, consume, provide or be provided alcoholic beverages.
- The organization, members and guests must follow the federal law regarding illegal drugs and controlled substances. No person may possess, use, provide, distribute, sell and/or manufacture illegal drugs or other controlled substances while on chapter/organizational premises or at any activity or event sponsored or endorsed by the chapter/organization.
- No alcoholic beverages may be purchased through or with organization funds or funds pooled by members or guests (admission fees, cover fees, collecting funds through digital apps, etc.).
- Common sources of alcohol, including bulk quantities and kegs, which are not being served by a licensed and insured third party vendor, are prohibited. Open parties are prohibited. Attendance by non-members at any event where alcohol is present must be by invitation only, and the organization must utilize a guest list system.
- Any event or activity related to the new member joining process (e.g., recruitment, intake, rush, etc.) must be substance free. No alcohol or drugs may be present if the event or activity is related to new member activities, meetings, or initiation into an organization, including but not limited to “bid night,” “big/little” events or activities, “family” events or activities and any ritual or ceremony.
- No organization may co-sponsor an event with an alcohol distributor or bar (bar defined as an establishment generating more than half of annual gross sales from alcohol) at which alcohol is given away, sold or otherwise provided to those present.
- No organization may co-sponsor, co-finance, attend, or participate in an event at which alcohol is purchased by any of the host organizations.
- The organization, members or guests must not permit, encourage, coerce, glorify or participate in any activities involving the rapid consumption of alcohol, such as drinking games.

Hazing Policy

The safety of all students within our fraternity and sorority community is our top priority. Any individuals and/or organizations participating in or sponsoring hazing behavior or activities will be held responsible as defined by the Oklahoma State University Code of Conduct. Hazing is defined as any activity which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental health, physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or admission into, or affiliation with, any organization operating subject to the sanction of the public or private school or of any institution of higher education in the state of Oklahoma. In addition, the Student Code of Conduct document prohibits any form of racial, ethnic and sexual harassment.

Non-Discrimination Policy

The governing councils of the fraternity and sorority community and each member chapter are required to follow the policies listed on this page. Any violation will result in a judicial board hearing. Copies of both the Alcohol Policy and Hazing Code can be found on the Fraternity & Sorority Affairs website at gogreek.okstate.edu. The governing councils of the fraternity and sorority community and Oklahoma State University, in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Higher Education Act), do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ethnicity in any of their policies, practices or procedures.

Responsibility

Sororities and fraternities are held to high standards by their national organizations, advisors and the university. There are trainings that prepare members to be responsible and behave in a manner that reflects their values.



Following are some suggestions to help you reach membership:

Get a plan for academic success in place

- Create relationships with your professor by visiting during their office hours. This will aid in taking ownership in your success as a student at OSU.
- The LASSO Center (lasso.okstate.edu), Writing Center (osuwritingcenter.okstate.edu), Mathematics Learning Success Center (math.okstate.edu/mlsc) and tutoring centers within your major college can also help you stay on top of your academics.

Get out in the community

The Student Volunteer Center can provide information about numerous community service projects in Stillwater. You can visit their website through, volunteer.okstate.edu. Community service is a huge part of fraternity and sorority life, and organizations will be looking for prospective members who have committed their time to making the world around them a better place. Note some organizations require a certain amount of community service hours in order to join.

Get further involved on campus

The Department of Leadership and Campus Life is home to more than 500 student organizations and also hosts many leadership trainings and conferences throughout the semester. Being involved on campus will make you a viable candidate for fraternity or sorority membership. (lcl.okstate.edu)

Greek 100

The Greek 100 program is a student-led peer education program for our fraternity and sorority community at Oklahoma State University. Beginning in 2018, our facilitators help educate organizations on important topics such as bystander intervention, alcohol and drug education, hazing, cultural competency, and sexual violence prevention. Each organization is expected to schedule two presentations each semester with a minimum attendance of 95% of chapter membership. Chapters that fail to meet expectations will lose their approved housing status and/or the ability to register social events. Visit <https://lcl.okstate.edu/gogreek/greek-100.html> to learn more.

Junior Greek Life

Junior Greek Life is an organization for new members in the Greek community at Oklahoma State University. Membership is comprised of the top 50 new members in the OSU Greek community. The organization promotes leadership, campus involvement and tries to instill in its members a sense of passion for the Greek community at OSU. Junior Greek Life also serves as Oklahoma State University Fraternity and Sorority Affairs' official ambassadors at all Orange Friday and Saturday Campus Tour browse sessions. Junior Greek Life coordinates the Scott Carter Basketball Tournament, which benefits the Scott Carter Foundation for cancer research. JGL is involved in things such as community service, on-campus public relations and Greek Discovery Day.

Community Events

The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs serves as the advisor for some of Oklahoma State University's oldest traditions; Freshman Follies, Varsity Revue and Spring Sing. These shows allow our students to express their creative and musical talents, make new friends and fundraise for charitable causes. Learn more about these amazing productions through gogreek.okstate.edu. Along with the Yard Show MGC and NPHC have Stroll Competitions. All the funds from these events are donated to their local and national philanthropies.

America's Greatest Homecoming Celebration is made possible by members of the Greek community. Members of sororities and fraternities work together to create house decorations throughout the fall semester, culminating in Walkaround, where every decoration is displayed and thousands of alumni return to Stillwater to experience this incredible event.

Homecoming

Homecoming truly is the highlight of the fall semester and a source of great pride for many of the fraternities and sororities at OSU. Sororities are paired with fraternities to build large, colorful structures in their yards known as "house decs," which is short for house decoration. Each member of a fraternity or sorority is required to work on their "house dec" for a certain number of hours each week as designated by the chapters. The hours vary by chapter and are based on work completed and work left to be done, but will not exceed 12 hours per member per week. These "house decs" are the focus of Friday night's Walkaround to which thousands of people come from all over the country to view the displays. The fraternity and sorority community also participates in a children's carnival, sign competition, spirit rally and offers tremendous support for the football team.

Yard Show

The Multicultural Greek Council and the National Pan-Hellenic Council participate in an annual event called the Yard Show. It is usually at the beginning of the fall semester and again during Homecoming. During this time the chapters within MGC and NPHC showcase their stepping and strolling skills. This is a great opportunity to share their history and culture with the community.





Freshman Follies

Freshman Follies has been a tradition of the Oklahoma State University Greek community for more than 50 years. Held annually during the fall semester, Follies has allowed freshmen to light up the stage with singing, dancing and “cheesing” since 1970. This event allows students to live their Greek values of scholarship, philanthropy, brotherhood/sisterhood and leadership out loud. Sorority and fraternity chapters pair to create a 10-minute show consisting of original choreography, vocal arrangements, lyrics, crazy costumes and dialogue in an effort to highlight the pairings’ chosen theme. The planning of the shows begins during the summer months. Freshman Follies also benefits the Hearts for Hearing Foundation in Oklahoma City and has donated more than \$100,000 to this organization in the last two years alone.

Varsity Revue

Varsity Revue was created to raise desperately-needed funds for the marching band in 1929. Joe Griffin proposed a vaudeville show to sell tickets to the student body. Featuring musical, dance, comedy and all kinds of other performances, the show was a hit. Since its inception, Varsity Revue has included men and women from the fraternity and sorority community, from student organizations and from residence halls in the performance. However, as time passed, fraternity men and sorority women truly embraced the Varsity Revue tradition. By 2013, the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs assumed the advising role. Today, Varsity Revue consists of most of the Greek organizations performing Broadway-styled acts. Traditionally, a percentage of the proceeds go to the United Way of Payne County. In 2019, Varsity Revue celebrated 90 years at Oklahoma State University making it one of the oldest traditions remaining.

Spring Sing

Spring Sing is the final show in the school year at Oklahoma State University and has been a long-standing tradition in the Greek community for almost 60 years. Each group production lasts about six minutes. Groups use the theme to create their own unique story line. Group acts are judged on musicality, theme originality, costumes and choreography. Spring Sing is held annually in Gallagher-Iba Arena on Mom’s Day and sees more than 2,000 guests in attendance. The show also benefits Coaches vs. Cancer and has donated more than \$100,000 since the partnership began. Seniors will finish the night with the “Senior Show” where all the chapters have graduating seniors perform a final song together weeks before they graduate in May.

Cost to Join: Cost Per Semester

INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL	Room and Board and Dues	Out-of-House Dues	New Member Fee
Alpha Gamma Rho	\$4,175	\$800	\$495
Alpha Sigma Phi	N/A*	\$625	\$250
Alpha Tau Omega	\$3,748.85	\$1,048.85	\$275
Beta Theta Pi	\$3,800	\$700	\$400
Beta Upsilon Chi	N/A*	\$425	\$110
Delta Tau Delta	\$4,620	\$500	\$305
FarmHouse	\$4,250	\$950	\$275
Kappa Alpha Order	\$3,038	\$1,125	\$395
Kappa Sigma	\$4,000	\$1,000	\$250
Lambda Chi Alpha	\$4,200	\$900	\$150
Phi Delta Theta	\$3,875	\$750	\$200
Phi Gamma Delta	\$4,100	\$950	\$250
Phi Kappa Sigma	N/A*	\$500	\$405
Phi Kappa Tau	\$3,750	\$750	\$250
Pi Kappa Alpha	\$4,700	\$800	\$300
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	\$4,320	\$1,890	\$310
Sigma Chi	\$3,825	\$1,825	\$200
Sigma Nu	\$3,815	\$615	\$400
Sigma Phi Epsilon	\$4,792	\$842	\$300
Tau Kappa Epsilon	N/A*	\$340	\$300
Theta Chi	N/A*	\$340	\$310

Room and Board: Includes meal plan, housing, and dues

Out-of-House: Includes meal plan, dues, parlor fees, etc.

*IFC chapter does not have a house.

MULTICULTURAL GREEK COUNCIL	One-time Intake Fee	Semester Dues
Alpha Pi Omega Sorority, Inc.	\$250	\$180
Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, Inc.	\$300	\$250
Omega Delta Phi Fraternity, Inc.	\$125	\$250
Sigma Lambda Alpha Sorority, Inc.	\$300	\$200
Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc.	\$350	\$170
Theta Nu Xi Multicultural Sorority, Inc.	N/A*	N/A*

*MGC chapter is new and fees have not been established yet.

NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL	One-time Intake Fee	Semester Dues
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.	\$1,200-\$2,000	\$50
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.	\$1,600-\$2,000	\$100-\$120
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$100
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.	\$1,000-\$1,500	\$50
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.	\$1,000-\$1,300	\$100

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL	Room and Board and Dues	Out-of-House Dues	New Member Fee
Alpha Chi Omega	\$4,268.51	\$1,899.93	\$881.10
Alpha Delta Pi	\$4,245	\$1,405	\$506
Alpha Omicron Pi	\$4,795.75	\$1981.75	\$838
Alpha Xi Delta	\$4,334	\$1,284	\$640
Chi Omega	\$3,231	\$1,131	\$500
Delta Delta Delta	\$3,925	\$1,340	\$886.50
Gamma Phi Beta	\$4,180	\$1,630	\$1,100
Kappa Alpha Theta	\$3,367	\$1,443	\$770
Kappa Delta	\$4,388	\$1,558	\$906
Kappa Kappa Gamma	\$3,901	\$1,538.50	\$1,077
Phi Mu	\$3,118	\$1,045	\$1,624.18
Pi Beta Phi	\$3,901.50	\$1,159.50	\$615
Zeta Tau Alpha	\$3,987.50	\$1,537.50	\$550

Financial Commitment: Average Cost Per Council

INTERFRATERNITY
COUNCIL DUES



MULTICULTURAL GREEK
COUNCIL DUES



NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC
COUNCIL DUES



PANHELLENIC
COUNCIL DUES



INTAKE FEE & SEMESTER DUES
 ROOM/BOARD DUES & FEE
 OUT-OF-HOUSE DUES & FEE



Interfraternity Council

At Oklahoma State University, “fraternity” is used to describe a brotherhood of men who have voluntarily joined together to achieve excellence in several areas. OSU fraternities promote academic achievement, leadership opportunities, campus activities, fellowship and community service to both the Oklahoma State campus and the surrounding city of Stillwater. Their members also prepare for successful careers.

How to Join

To become a member of a Greek Letter organization, you must go through the process of recruitment. At OSU the recruitment process is informal, meaning that the bulk of recruitment occurs during the summer. Before a young man can commit to affiliating with a fraternity, also known as signing, he must complete the IFC Registration. After the application and registration fee are received by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, the recruit may sign with the fraternity of his choice that has extended him a bid. Throughout the summer, individual fraternities will contact potential new members. Each chapter has different features, advantages and benefits. It is important to note, the best fit chapter for you may not be the best fit for a friend or classmate.

Signing Day

Signing Day is the first day fraternities are allowed to sign prospective new members. Keep in mind this is the first day, and you will have the opportunity to sign with a house all summer. Signing Day will be determined at a later date due to COVID-19. Each fraternity holds their own signing day event, which all vary by times and venues.

Register for Recruitment

Spring 2020 Registration opens Monday, April 6. There is a \$50 fee at the end of registration that is exclusively for IFC Recruitment Registration. Please visit gogreek.okstate.edu for more information about the recruitment process.

For questions about the IFC recruitment process, please contact the Director of Recruitment, Jay Shank, ifc@okstate.edu or visit gogreek.okstate.edu

Chapters

The fraternity system has grown to include a total of 21 nationally recognized men's organizations. The Men's Interfraternity Council at Oklahoma State University governs these groups.

ΑΓΡ

ALPHA GAMMA RHO

National Founding: 1908
Local Founding: 1921
Website: osuagrs.com
Colors: Green & Gold
Twitter: @agr_okst
Facebook: Alpha Gamma Rho, Pi Chapter
Instagram: @agr_okst

FH

FARMHOUSE

National Founding: 1905
Local Founding: 1928
Website: fhokstate.com
Colors: Green & Gold
Twitter: @osu_farmhouse
Facebook: FarmHouse Fraternity Oklahoma State
Instagram: @osu_farmhouse

FIJI

PHI GAMMA DELTA

National Founding: 1848
Local Founding: 1962
Website: okstatephigam.com
Colors: Royal Purple & White
Instagram: @fiji_okstate

ΣΝ

SIGMA NU

National Founding: 1969
Local Founding: 1920
Website: osusigmanu.com
Colors: Black, Gold & White
Twitter: OKState_SigmaNu
Facebook: Oklahoma State Sigma Nu
Epsilon Epsilon Chapter
Instagram: @osusigmanu

ΑΣΦ

ALPHA SIGMA PHI

National Founding: 1845
Local Founding: 2016
Website: alphasigmaphi.org
Colors: Cardinal Red & Stone Gray
Facebook: Alpha Sig Okstate
Instagram: @okstate_alphasig

KA

KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

National Founding: 1865
Local Founding: 1920
Website: kappaalphaaorder.org
Colors: Crimson & Rose Gold
Twitter: @OKstateKA
Facebook: Oklahoma State Kappa Alpha Order
Instagram: @rushtheorderosu

ΦΚΣ

PHI KAPPA SIGMA

National Founding: 1850
Local Founding: 2016
Website: pks.org
Colors: Black & Old Gold
Twitter: @osu_skulls
Facebook: Phi Kappa Sigma at Oklahoma State University
Instagram: @osu_skulls

ΣΦΕ

SIGMA PHI EPSILON

National Founding: 1901
Local Founding: 1920
Website: okstate.sigep.org
Colors: Rose Red & Violet Purple
Twitter: @SigEpOKAlpha
Instagram: @okstatesigep

ΑΤΩ

ALPHA TAU OMEGA

National Founding: 1865
Local Founding: 1947
Website: ATO.org
Colors: Azure & Gold
Twitter: @atookstate
Instagram: @okstate_ato

ΚΣ

KAPPA SIGMA

National Founding: 1869
Local Founding: 1920
Website: kappasig.com
Colors: Scarlett, White & Emerald Green
Twitter: @osukappasigma
Instagram: @osukappasigma

ΦΚΤ

PHI KAPPA TAU

National Founding: 1906
Local Founding: 1949
Website: pktbk.com
Colors: Harvard Red & Old Gold
Twitter: @osu_phitau
Facebook: PKTBK
Instagram: @pkt.okstate

TKE

TAU KAPPA EPSILON

National Founding: 1899
Local Founding: 1947
Website: tke.org
Colors: Black & White
Facebook: Oklahoma State TKE: Beta-Gamma
Instagram: @okstate_tke

ΒΘΠ

BETA THETA PI

National Founding: 1939
Local Founding: 1923
Website: beta.org
Colors: Shades of Pink & Blue
Instagram: @beta_okstate

ΛΧΑ

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

National Founding: 1909
Local Founding: 1917
Website: lambdachi.org
Colors: Purple, Green & Gold
Twitter: @OKStateLXA
Instagram: @OKStateLXA

ΠΚΑ

PI KAPPA ALPHA

National Founding: 1868
Local Founding: 1939
Website: pikes.org
Colors: Garnett & Old Gold
Twitter: @OkStatePike
Instagram: @okstatepikes

ΘΧ

THETA CHI

National Founding: 1856
Local Founding: 1947
Website: okstatethetachi.com
Colors: Military Red & White
Twitter: @okstateThetaChi
Facebook: okstateThetaChi
Instagram: @okstateThetaChi

ΒΥΧ

BETA UPSILON CHI

National Founding: 1985
Local Founding: 2005
Website: betaupsilonchi.org
Colors: Purple & White
Twitter: @OkState_BYX
Facebook: OSU Beta Upsilon Chi
Instagram: @okstatebyx

ΦΔΘ

PHI DELTA THETA

National Founding: 1848
Local Founding: 1946
Website: phidelta.org
Colors: Azure & Argent
Twitter: @phideltokstate
Facebook: Phi Delta Theta Oklahoma Beta
Instagram: @phideltokstate

ΣΑΕ

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

National Founding: 1856
Local Founding: 1931
Website: osusae.org
Colors: Old Gold & Royal Purple
Twitter: @osuae
Facebook: Sigma Alpha Epsilon at Oklahoma State University
Instagram: @sae_okmu

ΔΤΔ

DELTA TAU DELTA

National Founding: 1858
Local Founding: 1949
Colors: Royal Purple & Gold
Twitter: @OKStateDELTS
Instagram: @okstatedelts

ΣΧ

SIGMA CHI

National Founding: 1855
Local Founding: 1922
Website: okstatesigs.com
Colors: Blue & Old Gold
Twitter: @OkStateSigmaChi
Instagram: @okstatesigmachi



Multicultural Greek Council

The Multicultural Greek Council at Oklahoma State University was established to meet the needs of ethnic fraternities and sororities that were not being met by the fraternity and sorority community prior to its establishment. In November 2002, Alpha Pi Omega and Omega Delta Phi, the founding members, came together to create an organization which would unite all multicultural Greek-lettered organizations. In August 2003, the Multicultural Greek Council constitution was accepted and the council was officially recognized on the Oklahoma State University campus.

How to Join

The Multicultural Greek Council member organizations recruit potential new members throughout the year on an informal basis. This process is known as Membership Intake. Please note all organizations have a cost associated with membership. Each member organization of MGC has its own way to recruit new members. This is why it is important to get to know each organization to understand their unique process. Each organization has a different set of membership requirements for academic success, community and college involvement. To have your information provided to an organization you are interested in joining, please visit mgc.okstate.edu, complete a prospective member interest form and return it to the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs. Each semester the Multicultural Greek Council host an event called Convocation. This event is open to any current OSU interested in joining or seeking more information about organizations in MGC. You'll have an opportunity to learn more information about the Council, organizations, and meet many of the members of the community.

Membership Requirements

Undergraduate students who are interested in joining a Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) organization must meet certain membership criteria. This includes but is not limited to:

- Be enrolled in 12 hours at Oklahoma State University
- 2.5-3.0 college GPA or higher (varies by organization) - some chapters accept first semester freshman if they have 12 or more college credit hours
- Complete an application for membership along with any additional information the organization of interest requires
- Community service hours may be a prerequisite
- Attendance at an interest/informational meeting for the organization of your interest
- You must be in good standing with the Office of Student Conduct and Education

¿Cómo ingresar a una organización?

Las organizaciones del Consejo Multicultural Griego (MGC por sus iniciales en inglés) reclutan a sus miembros durante el inicio de cada semestre. Este proceso se conoce como toma de miembros aspirantes (Membership Intake). Tome en cuenta que cada organización tiene un costo asociado con su membresía. Además, el proceso de reclutar nuevos miembros es diferente para cada organización. Por esta razón es importante conocer las organizaciones y entender su proceso individual. Dependiendo en la organización también existen diferentes requisitos en el aspecto académico, participación universitaria y servicio comunitario. Para recibir más información sobre alguna organización, por favor visite mgc.okstate.edu, llene un formulario de interés y entrégela a la oficina de Asuntos de Fraternidades y Hermandades. Cada semestre el Consejo Multicultural Griego organiza un evento llamado Convocación. Este evento es para los estudiantes de la OSU interesados en aplicar o aprender más acerca de las organizaciones de MGC. Tendrías la oportunidad de recibir más información acerca el consejo, las organizaciones, y conocer varios miembros de la comunidad.

Requisitos de membresía

Los estudiantes que estén interesados en ser parte de una organización multicultural tendrán que cumplir ciertos requisitos para ser considerados. Esto incluye pero no se limita a:

- Estar inscrito en 12 horas académicas en Oklahoma State University
- Un promedio universitario de 2.5-3.0; cada organización tiene sus propios requisitos.
- Esto excluye a estudiantes de primer año que todavía no tienen un promedio universitario.
- Llenar una solicitud para ser considerado, junto con cualquier otro requisito de la organización de interés.
- Servicio comunitario puede ser un pre-requisito
- Ir a una junta formal de la organización de interés.
- El estudiante tendrá que tener un record limpio con la Universidad y la Oficina de Educación y Conducta Estudiantil

Chapters

Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) chapters promote sisterhood/brotherhood, service, academic achievement and cultural awareness through individual events hosted by the chapters. It is a great way to get involved, build a network and make a positive impact in the community.

ΑΠΩ

ALPHA PI OMEGA SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1994
Local Founding: 2004
Website: alphapiomega.org
Colors: New Grass Green, Maize Yellow & Fire Red
Twitter: @APIOGamma
Facebook: Alpha Pi Omega Sorority, Inc. - Gamma Chapter
Instagram: @Gammaqueenbees

ΚΔΧ

KAPPA DELTA CHI SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1987
Local Founding: 2015
Colors: Pink & Maroon
Twitter: @osu_kdchi
Instagram: @osukdchi

ΩΔΦ

OMEGA DELTA PHI FRATERNITY, INC.

National Founding: 1987
Local Founding: 2014
Website: omegadeltaphi.com
Colors: Scarlet, Silver & Black
Twitter: @osuodphi
Facebook: Omega Delta Phi Fraternity, Inc.
Instagram: @osuknights

ΣΛΑ

SIGMA LAMBDA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1992
Local Founding: 2016
Website: sigmalambdaalpha.org
Colors: Burgundy, Forest Green & Gold
Twitter: @okstatesla
Facebook: okstatesla
Instagram: @okstatesla

ΣΛΒ

SIGMA LAMBDA BETA INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY, INC.

National Founding: 1986
Local Founding: 2011
Colors: Royal Purple & Pure White
Twitter: @Okstatebetas
Facebook: Oklahoma Betas
Instagram: @okstatebetas

ΘΝΞ

THETA NU XI MULTICULTURAL SORORITY, INC.

National Founding: 1997
Local Founding: 2020
Website: thetanuxi.org
Colors: Black, Lavender & Carolina Blue

MGC Convocation:

Fall 2020: August 26 & September 9

Spring 2021: January 21 & 27

Student Union Sequoyah Room 208

Welcome Week Yardshow:

Thursday, August 13 2020 | 5:30-7:30pm

Student Union Ballroom



National Pan-Hellenic Council

The National Pan-Hellenic Council, Incorporated (NPHC) is currently comprised of nine (9) international greek letter sororities and fraternities: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc. On May 10, 1930, on the campus of Howard University, in Washington DC, the National Pan-Hellenic Council was formed as a permanent organization. The stated purpose and mission of the organization in 1930 was “Unanimity of thought and action as far as possible in the conduct of Greek letter collegiate fraternities and sororities, and to consider problems of mutual interest to its member organizations.” Early in 1937, the organization was incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois and became known as “The National Pan-Hellenic Council, Incorporated.” The National Pan-Hellenic Council at Oklahoma State University was chartered October 3, 1992. Each organization is connected to a rich history and purpose in the lives of African American students and is committed to uplift and unite within the African American community at Oklahoma State University.

How to Join

Each organization within the National Pan-Hellenic Council has a Membership Intake Process (MIP) that differs from chapter to chapter. It is important to get to know each organization to understand their unique process. Each organization will have a different set of membership requirements for academic success, community and college involvement. Please note all organizations have a cost associated with membership, along with time commitments. Like MGC, the National Pan-Hellenic Council also hosts an event called Convocation each semester. This event will provide an opportunity for students to learn about NPHC, member organizations and meet members of the community. This event is open to all current OSU students.

Membership Requirements

Undergraduate students who are interested in joining a National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) organization must meet specific membership criteria. This includes but is not limited to:

- 12 completed college credit hours at Oklahoma State University
- 2.5-3.0 college GPA or higher (varies by organization)
- Completed application for membership along with any additional information the organization of interest may require
- Community service hours may also be required
- Attendance at an interest/informational meeting for the organization of your interest
- You must be in good standing with the University and the Office of Student Conduct and Education
- Attendance at Intake Orientation

Community Service

Community service can be powerful especially when it includes the entire NPHC greek family. When everyone pulls together for a cause, the impact is tremendous. NPHC consists of dedicated organizations willing to make a difference on-campus and in our community.

Unity Through Community

UNITY means in the state of being united or joined as a whole. The National Pan-Hellenic Council consists of different organizations working together in unity to make a difference in the world around us.

Chapters

AKA

**ALPHA KAPPA
ALPHA SORORITY,
INC.**

National Founding: 1908
Local Founding: 1973
Website: aka1908.com
Colors: Salmon Pink & Apple Green
Twitter: @ThetaBeta1973
Facebook: Theta Beta 1973
Instagram: @ThetaBeta1973

ΩΨΦ

**OMEGA PSI PHI
FRATERNITY, INC.**

National Founding: 1911
Local Founding: 1980
Website: oppf.org
Colors: Royal Purple & Old Gold

ΔΣΘ

**DELTA SIGMA
THETA SORORITY,
INC.**

National Founding: 1913
Local Founding: 1971
Website: deltasigmatheta.org
Colors: Crimson & Creme
Twitter: @thetamudst
Facebook: OState Deltas
Instagram: @thetamudst

ΦΒΣ

**PHI BETA SIGMA
FRATERNITY, INC.**

National Founding: 1914
Local Founding: 1987
Website: phibetasigma1914.org
Colors: Royal Blue & Pure White
Twitter: @OSUSigas
Instagram: @okstatesigas

ZΦΒ

**ZETA PHI BETA
SORORITY, INC.**

National Founding: 1920
Local Founding: 1996
Colors: Royal Blue & White
Twitter: @okstatezetas
Instagram: @okstatezetas

NPHC Convocation:
Fall 2020: September 8
Spring 2021: January 20 & 25

Welcome Week Yardshow:
August 13, 2020 | 5:30-7:30pm Student
Union Ballroom

Connect with NPHC via email at email nphc@okstate.edu or Instagram [@okstatenphc](https://www.instagram.com/okstatenphc)



Panhellenic Council

While local sororities had been in existence on the Oklahoma A&M campus since 1912, Kappa Delta became the first nationally recognized sorority at Oklahoma A&M College when the local group known as Delta Delta was granted a charter on June 14, 1919. Kappa Delta was installed on August 9, 1919, only three days ahead of Pi Beta Phi's installation. Kappa Alpha Theta became the third national women's organization on September 5, 1919. In just more than a month, three groups had gained national recognition. Both an Interfraternity Council and a Panhellenic Council already were in place when the first nationally recognized fraternity, Lambda Chi Alpha, arrived in 1917. By 1927 the Oklahoma A&M College's fraternity and sorority system grew to 19 nationally affiliated chapters. There were 12 fraternities and seven sororities. Three local Greek organizations, one of which was a sorority, also were operating at this time. The Panhellenic Council is the governing body of the National Panhellenic Conference sororities at Oklahoma State University. The entirety of the sorority community is referred to the Panhellenic Association.

How to Join

There are two opportunities for women to join one of our 13 National Panhellenic Conference sororities at Oklahoma State University. Fall recruitment takes place one week prior to the first week of school, and all 13 chapters participate. The dates for 2020 are August 9th-15th. Continuous Open Bidding is an informal recruitment process that begins on the last day of fall recruitment and concludes with first day of pre-finals week in the spring. Not every chapter participates in Continuous Open Bidding. Please visit gogreek.okstate.edu to learn more about each of these processes.

Fall Recruitment

Registration for formal recruitment is available online at gogreek.okstate.edu or at panhellenic.okstate.edu. Registration will open April 6, 2020 and will close July 24, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

The following information will be required for registration:

- OSU email address
- Digital photo
- Campus Wide Identification Number (CWID).
- Activities, honors and service. Including this information will create a resume for you.
- T-shirt size
- Parent/guardian email address. Parents/guardians have the opportunity to receive summer updates and nightly emails during recruitment week. Each PNM may provide two email addresses for parents/guardians.

When beginning the registration process, be sure you complete all the information at that time. If you do not complete everything at once, your information will not be saved and you will have to start the process from the beginning. Therefore, it is helpful to

have the aforementioned information handy when beginning the registration process.

After registering online, please follow the instructions to pay online or mail your \$120 registration fee to:

Panhellenic Recruitment
Oklahoma State University
211J Student Union
Stillwater, OK 74078

Checks should be made payable to "Panhellenic Recruitment."
 Please put your name and CWID in the check's memo line.

The payment must be received by the registration deadline for your registration to be complete. If payment is mailed, it must be postmarked by July 24, 2020. No late applications or materials will be accepted! There will be no refunds after this date.

A confirmation will be sent to you within two weeks of the Panhellenic Council receiving your registration materials. If your confirmation states any part of your registration materials are missing or incomplete, those items should be called in or mailed immediately to Panhellenic Council.

Continuous Open Bidding

Continuous Open Bidding (COB) is an informal type of recruitment for women interested in joining the OSU fraternity and sorority community. It begins after the completion of fall recruitment in August and concludes at the start of pre-finals week in the fall semester. It resumes again at the start of the spring semester and concludes during pre-finals week. There is no guarantee COB will occur at any time. Many women find the informal, relaxed atmosphere of COB as a less stressful and more enjoyable way to find a home in the fraternity and sorority community at OSU. The participating organizations will hold events and activities to meet interested women and women that they are also interested in. Any woman who wishes to participate in COB should complete the online registration process which will be available in August for the fall semester and January for the spring semester. Registering for COB with the Panhellenic Council ensures a chapter will have a potential new member's (PNM) contact information and verified academic record. It does not guarantee a chapter will contact the PNM or that a PNM will receive an invitation of membership.

Chapters

AXΩ

ALPHA CHI OMEGA
 National Founding: 1885
 Local Founding: 1947
 Colors: Scarlet Red & Olive Green
 Twitter: @okstate_axo
 Facebook: Alpha Chi Omega:
 Oklahoma State University
 Instagram: @okstateaxo

AΞΔ

ALPHA XI DELTA
 National Founding: 1893
 Local Founding: 2015
 Website: okstate.alphaxidelta.org
 Colors: Double Blue & Gold
 Twitter: @okstateaxid
 Facebook: OSU Alpha Xi Delta
 Instagram: @okstate_alphaxi

ΓΦΒ

GAMMA PHI BETA
 National Founding: 1874
 Local Founding: 1958
 Website: gammaphibeta.org
 Colors: Mode & Brown
 Twitter: @OkstateGPHI
 Facebook: Gamma Phi Beta - Oklahoma State
 Instagram: @okstategphib

ΚΚΓ

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA
 National Founding: 1870
 Local Founding: 1947
 Website: kappakappagamma.org
 Colors: Light Blue & Dark Blue
 Twitter: @okstateKKG
 Facebook: Oklahoma State Kappa Kappa Gamma
 Instagram: @okstatekkg

ZTA

ZETA TAU ALPHA
 National Founding: 1898
 Local Founding: 1923
 Website: zetataualpha.org
 Colors: Turquoise Blue & Steel Gray
 Twitter: @okstatezta
 Facebook: Zeta Tau Alpha Oklahoma State
 Instagram: @okstatezta

ΑΔΠ

ALPHA DELTA PI
 National Founding: 1851
 Local Founding: 1921
 Website: okstate.alphadeltapi.org
 Colors: Azure Blue & White
 Twitter: @OKState_ADPI
 Facebook: Oklahoma State Alpha Delta Pi
 Instagram: @okstateadpi

ΧΩ

CHI OMEGA
 National Founding: 1895
 Local Founding: 1920
 Website: okstate.chiomega.com
 Colors: Cardinal Red & Straw
 Twitter: @okstatechio
 Facebook: Oklahoma State Chi Omega
 Instagram: @okstatechio

ΚΑΘ

KAPPA ALPHA THETA
 National Founding: 1870
 Local Founding: 1919
 Website: kappaalphatheta.org
 Colors: Black & Gold
 Instagram: @okstatetheta

ΦΜ

PHI MU
 National Founding: 1852
 Local Founding: 1979
 Website: okstate.phimu.org
 Colors: Rose & White
 Twitter: @phimuokstate
 Instagram: @phimuokstate

ΑΟΠ

ALPHA OMICRON PI
 National Founding: 1897
 Local Founding: 2012
 Website: okstate.alphamicronpi.com
 Colors: Cardinal Red
 Facebook: Alpha Omicron Pi at Oklahoma State
 Instagram: @okstateaoii

ΔΔΔ

DELTA DELTA DELTA
 National Founding: 1888
 Local Founding: 1962
 Colors: Silver, Gold & Cerulean Blue
 Website: tridelta.org
 Twitter: @okstateddd
 Facebook: okstatetridelta
 Instagram: @okstate.tridelta

ΚΔ

KAPPA DELTA
 National Founding: 1897
 Local Founding: 1919
 Website: okstate.kappadelta.org
 Colors: Olive Green & Pearl White
 Twitter: @OkState_KD
 Facebook: OSU KD
 Instagram: @okstate_kd

ΠΒΦ

PI BETA PHI
 National Founding: 1867
 Local Founding: 1919
 Website: okstate.phibetaphi.org
 Colors: Wine & Silver Blue
 Twitter: @okstatepiphi
 Instagram: @okstatepiphi

For questions about the recruitment process, please contact:

405-744-6583 | sororityrecruitment@okstate.edu or visit gogreek.okstate.edu

Scholarship Reports

The fraternity and sorority community at OSU has been nationally recognized since 2004 for achieving the highest possible differential between Greek and non-Greek grades in the Midwest. We take great pride in the fact that the all-fraternity average GPA is consistently higher than the all-undergraduate average GPA at OSU.

Chapters	Members	Spring 2019 GPA	Fall 2019 GPA
Alpha Chi Omega	171	3.4332	3.4073
Alpha Delta Pi	173	3.3439	3.3659
Alpha Gamma Rho	120	3.2555	3.1833
Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc.	18	N/A	3.0571
Alpha Omicron Pi	161	3.2398	3.2724
Alpha Pi Omega, Inc.	5	3.0488	3.1531
Alpha Sigma Phi	65	2.9080	3.2543
Alpha Tau Omega	101	3.1939	3.1628
Alpha Xi Delta	135	3.0784	2.9478
Beta Theta Pi	166	3.4594	3.5027
Beta Upsilon Chi	64	2.9543	3.1264
Chi Omega	189	3.6609	3.6949
Delta Delta Delta	175	3.2823	3.3558
Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.	7	3.1648	3.1175
Delta Tau Delta	97	3.2119	3.1741
FarmHouse	115	3.4857	3.5341
Gamma Phi Beta	175	3.4393	3.4958
Kappa Alpha Order	27	2.9710	2.3026
Kappa Alpha Theta	177	3.6282	3.6105
Kappa Delta	180	3.5630	3.5498
Kappa Delta Chi, Inc.	14	2.8886	3.4125
Kappa Kappa Gamma	179	3.4740	3.3982
Kappa Sigma	70	3.0249	3.0845
Lambda Chi Alpha	60	2.9313	3.1640
Omega Delta Phi, Inc.	35	3.1216	3.1829
Omega Psi Phi, Inc.	3	2.7632	2.7086
Phi Mu	166	3.3158	3.2442
Pi Beta Phi	195	3.4529	3.5600
Phi Beta Sigma, Inc.	8	2.6984	2.6551
Phi Delta Theta	102	2.9674	3.1037
Phi Gamma Delta	139	3.1589	3.3762
Phi Kappa Sigma	11	3.1294	2.8488
Phi Kappa Tau	55	2.9670	3.0018
Pi Kappa Alpha	139	3.0401	2.8703
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	57	3.0225	3.1248
Sigma Chi	114	3.2156	3.3260
Sigma Lambda Alpha, Inc.	16	3.0668	3.0696
Sigma Lambda Beta, Inc.	27	2.9067	2.4941
Sigma Nu	114	3.1944	3.2933
Sigma Phi Epsilon	135	3.3013	3.2870
Tau Kappa Epsilon	20	N/A	3.1659
Theta Chi	28	3.2806	3.1721
Zeta Phi Beta, Inc.	2	2.7255	2.7538
Zeta Tau Alpha	173	3.4574	3.4114

Family Resources

The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Affairs (F&SA) hopes this page will answer your questions and provide information. The fraternity and sorority experience promotes individual, organizational and community development. These organizations are also rich in tradition. Many fraternities and sororities designate their organizations by using Greek letters, which have special meaning to their membership. Each organization has unique mottos, ritual, and creeds that unite members in brotherhood/sisterhood, growth, scholarship, community service and leadership. All fraternities and sororities are values-based organizations with high ethical standards.

Helpful Resources

University Counseling Services:
320 Student Union | 405-744-5458
ucs.okstate.edu

Student Conduct:
328 Student Union | 405-744-5470
studentconduct.okstate.edu

Center for Sovereign Nations:
104 Life Sciences East | 405-744-1085
sovnationcenter@okstate.edu
sovnationcenter.okstate.edu

Ombudsman:
224 Student Union | 405-744-6627
president.okstate.edu/ombudsperson
ombuds@okstate.edu

Institutional Diversity:
408 Whitehurst | 405-744-9154
diversity.okstate.edu
jason.kirksey@okstate.edu

Office of Multicultural Affairs:
240 Student Union | 405-744-5481
icae.okstate.edu | oma@okstate.edu

Student Disability Services:
1202 W. Farm Rd - 155 University Health
Services | 405-744-7116
accessibility@okstate.edu

OSUPD:
224 North Orchard St. | 405-744-6627
police.okstate.edu | Download: Orange
Shield App

Leadership and Campus Life:
211 Student Union | 405-744-5488
lcl.okstate.edu

Guía para familias

La oficina de Asuntos de Fraternidades y Hermandades (Fraternity & Sorority Affairs, F&SA) espera que la siguiente información conteste sus preguntas y les dé más información. Ser parte de una hermandad beneficia al estudiante, a su organización, y a la comunidad. Muchas hermandades nombran a sus organizaciones usando letras Griegas y el nombre de cada hermandad tiene un significado especial. Cada organización tiene lemas, rituales, y credos únicos y particulares que unen a sus miembros en hermandad, crecimiento, aprendizaje, servicio comunitario, y liderazgo. Todas las hermandades son organizaciones basadas en valores y altos estándares éticos.

Recursos útiles:

Servicios de asesoramiento universitario:
320 Student Union | 405-744-5458
ucs.okstate.edu

Conducta del estudiante:
328 Student Union | 405-744-5470
studentconduct.okstate.edu

Centro para Naciones Soberanas:
104 Life Sciences East | 405-744-1085
sovnationcenter@okstate.edu
sovnationcenter.okstate.edu

Ombudsman:
224 Student Union | 405-744-6627
president.okstate.edu/ombudsperson
ombuds@okstate.edu

Diversidad Institucional:
408 Whitehurst | 405-744-9154
diversity.okstate.edu
jason.kirksey@okstate.edu

Oficina de Asuntos Multiculturales:
240 Student Union | 405-744-5481
icae.okstate.edu | oma@okstate.edu

Servicios de Discapacidad Estudiantil:
1202 W. Farm Rd - 155 University Health
Services | 405-744-7116
accessibility@okstate.edu

OSU Policía:
224 North Orchard St. | 405-744-6627
police.okstate.edu | Download: Orange
Shield App

Liderazgo y vida en el campus:
211 Student Union | 405-744-5488
lcl.okstate.edu

Frequently Asked Questions

We know that students and families often have questions about fraternity and sorority life. We have provided some answers to some frequently asked questions below:

How does housing work for NPHC, MGC, and unboxed IFC organizations?

Members of unboxed organizations are free to decide their own housing options rather than having required housing. Many of the experiences of these fraternities and sororities mirror the experience of housed chapters. We would encourage all students to research the organization and membership you are joining versus the physical structure of house. After all you are making a lifetime commitment to an organization.

Who can join an NPHC or MGC organization?

Each individual has the opportunity to bring something unique to any group. Although these organizations were founded on the basis of a specific underrepresented population, membership is not restricted to persons of a certain background. Prospective members who meet the academic requirements set forth to those espoused by the organization can be offered membership. We encourage students to attend Convocation hosted by each council at the beginning of each semester. At this event you will learn about each organization and also have an opportunity to meet many of the members of the community.

Will my grades suffer if I am in a sorority or fraternity?

The all-Greek average GPA at OSU is consistently higher than the non-Greek average GPA. As an example this past semester the Greek GPA was a 3.2 while the non-Greek GPA was a 2.9. Additionally, each organization

has academic requirements in addition to scholarship programs that will help you succeed academically as well as learn to effectively manage your time outside of class. They will support each member through programs and mentors as they strive to meet the organization's standards. Around 50% of the students in the Honors College are members of a fraternity or sorority.

What do I need to know about recommendation letters or RIF's for Panhellenic Recruitment?

A letter of recommendation, or RIF is written by an alumna member of an organization for the purpose of introducing a woman to a chapter. In most cases, it is filled out via online form through the organizations website. It provides a brief description of her interests, activities, and personality. There is not a due date for recommendation letters. One thing we would like to point out is that the letter of recommendation is not required and will not make or break your recruitment. These hold less weight than they previously did as the conversations during the Recruitment events are what the chapters base their interactions with a potential new member on. If you are unable to obtain one from a specific organization, it is completely okay!

Am I guaranteed to receive an invitation for membership (bid) from a chapter during Panhellenic's recruitment?

Invitations are only guaranteed to potential new members for the first round, which begins on Monday and concludes

on Tuesday. On average, about 85% of women who have started the process have ended up joining a chapter and 90% of those women received their first choice at the end of the week! There is no guarantee that you will be invited to attend the second (Wednesday), third (Thursday), fourth (Friday) rounds but only 30 women the past two years out of the near 900 that start the process have not been invited back. There is no specific formula that defines why a woman is not invited back. Therefore, there is no guarantee you will receive a bid to any sorority. However, if you progress through the week and attend all the events you are invited to during the fourth event round and list each of those chapters on your preference sheet that night, you will receive a bid to one of those chapters.

Will I be able to work in addition to being in a sorority or fraternity?

Many chapter members at OSU have jobs in addition to being in a fraternity or sorority. While we do not encourage having a job as a first semester freshman, plenty of students work part time throughout college.

What types of opportunities are there after college?

Joining a fraternity or sorority is a lifetime commitment with lifetime benefits. Following graduation, members can find alumni groups from their organization all over the nation. These alumni groups offer the continuation of the friendship and experiences of Greek life. Another benefit of joining a fraternity or sorority are the connections which lead to business or job opportunities.

What time commitment is required when joining a sorority or fraternity?

Membership in a fraternity or sorority is totally dependent on the student and how much they want to commit. There are typically a couple of required meetings a week with potentially other commitments depending on what that group is involved with. Being a part of a fraternity or sorority can be as time consuming as the student chooses. Participation in some events (Spring Sing, Freshman Follies, Varsity Revue, etc.) take more time than other activities. Greek members learn time management early in their collegiate careers with the help of the fraternity or sorority. We encourage students to be as involved as they can.

If a person joins a fraternity or sorority and decides he or she doesn't like it, can he or she join another one?

That depends on several factors. As long as the person has not been initiated into a chapter, there may be procedures to affiliate with another chapter. There will be a waiting period before that person can sign or affiliate with another chapter. That waiting period will vary based on gender and the circumstances surrounding the situation.

Is hazing a problem?

The health and safety of all of our students is a top priority at OSU. We are committed to assuring your student has a positive and safe experience. As stated previously, our Greek 100 program offers education and awareness to promote an anti-hazing community. When violations of the Hazing Code can be substantiated, the responsible parties will be dealt with in a fast, firm and fair manner.

Are there campus rules for living in a fraternity or sorority? Alcohol?

Greek chapters with housing facilities are all considered "university-approved housing." As such, freshmen are allowed to live in them and they must be substance-free and provide a house director. All OSU students must conduct themselves according to the Students Code of Conduct. Additionally, the Greek community, through the governing bodies of IFC and Panhellenic, has additional policies and expectations of its membership.

If my son is considering joining a fraternity should he go ahead and submit his residence hall housing deposit in case he changes his mind?

Absolutely. All freshmen are required to live in university-approved housing. It is important he have his choice of housing on campus if he does choose to live in a Residential Life facility. If your son joins a chapter that has a fraternity house, please note the Housing & Residential Life deadlines on the bid card (invitation to join). This will assure your student is not charged for OSU housing and dining fees.

Do sororities and fraternities cost more than living in the residence halls?

Each individual chapter establishes their own fees, and the costs and services will vary from chapter to chapter. On average the cost to reside in a chapter housing facility is typically less than an on campus residence hall. However, this varies from chapter to chapter and residence hall facilities. Please ask for the most up-to-date information prior to making any decision.

Does financial aid cover any expenses?

Cash refund awards students receive can be applied to room and board in Greek chapter houses.

What is a house director?

A house director is a live-in adult, sometimes a graduate student, employed by the chapter house corporation. His or her duties vary from chapter to chapter. Generally, the house director serves as host or hostess for social events; supervises employed staff; counsels and works with members; and manages and maintains the house and kitchen. All sororities and fraternities with houses are required to have a house director.

Terms to Know

Active: The term used to indicate a fraternity man or sorority woman who has been formally initiated by his or her chapter.

Alumnus/Alumna: An initiated member who is no longer an undergraduate student.

Bid: An invitation extended by only one sorority per potential new member on Bid Day; this is the formal invitation to become a new member of that sorority.

Bid card: The card prospective fraternity members sign that signifies their intent to join the chapter of their choice.

Brother/Sister: Term used by active members in a fraternity/sorority when referring to each other.

Calls: A unique vocal expression attributed to an organization. Calls are special to members and should not be replicated by non-members.

Chapter: The men or women comprising each local collegiate group of a national fraternity or sorority.

Colony: A new fraternity or sorority that is working to receive a charter from the national organization to which it is affiliated. When a charter is received, they become a chapter of that national organization.

Continuous Open Bidding (COB): The period other than fully-structured recruitment when Panhellenic sororities acquire new members.

Crossing: A term used to indicate that a new member has been fully initiated into a group.

Divine Nine: There are nine historically Black Greek-letter organizations (BGLOs) that comprise the National Pan-Hellenic Council. Collectively, these organizations are referred to as "The Divine Nine." Each of these fraternities and sororities is rich in history.

Frater: Another term used to refer to one's fraternity brother.

Fraternity/Sorority: A group of men/women bonded together for educational and social purposes. Each strives to provide a point of reference from which each individual can evaluate his/her own desires and achievements as well as his/her own feelings of worth as a contributing member.

Fully-Structured Recruitment: The formal process of mutual selection by which chapters invite potential new members to join their sorority prior to the fall semester.

Graduate Advisor/Chapter: An individual or group of alumni working to advise the local undergraduate chapter; this group is affiliated with the national organization and not the university.

Hand Sign: A symbol or gesture made with the hands to signify an organization. Hand signs are special to members and should not be replicated by non-members.

Hazing: A negative form of conduct that focuses on mistreating, demeaning or otherwise degrading the personal worth of another individual. Hazing is prohibited by all national fraternities, the State of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University and the OSU fraternity and sorority community.

Informational: A forum for individuals interested in seeking more information about a particular fraternity or sorority.

Initiation: The formal ceremonies, or ritual, by which new members complete membership into a chapter and receive full membership privileges.

Intake or Membership Intake: The term groups use to bring new members into an organization. Each Multicultural Greek Council and National Pan-hellenic Council group determines when they will conduct intake. Each group can be assisted in this process by their graduate chapter and/or graduate advisor. In general, MGC and NPHC groups require sophomore status and a 2.5 cumulative GPA for someone to go through intake.

GREEK ALPHABET

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ALPHA	BETA	GAMMA	DELTA	EPSILON	ZETA	ETA	THETA	IOTA	KAPPA	LAMBDA	MU

Interfraternity Council (IFC): Interfraternity council, the official governing body over all NIC fraternities.

Legacy: A man or woman whose mother/father, sister/brother, or in some cases grandmother/grandfather, is an alumna/alumnus or active member of a sorority or fraternity (Does not guarantee membership in all organizations.)

Line: Group of individuals going through the membership intake process. Another term is new member class.

Line Brother/Sister: Members who went through the membership intake process together.

Multicultural Greek Council (MGC): The governing organization for Multicultural Greek-lettered organizations.

National or International Headquarters: The governing organization of a fraternity/sorority.

Neophyte: A term some organizations use to refer to a new member of a fraternity or sorority.

Neophyte Show/New Member Presentation/Probate: Interchangeable terms used to describe the public announcement of the newest members' crossing (initiation).

New Member: A potential member who has accepted the bid of a fraternity or sorority and has taken the first step toward full membership, but has not yet crossed.

National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC): The governing organization of the nine historically African-American Greek-letter organizations. This acronym also refers to the local governing council of an institution.

Panhellenic Council: An organization comprised of sorority women who act as the central governing body of all NPC sororities.

Philanthropy: Charitable projects or donations sponsored by a fraternity or sorority.

Potential New Member (PNM): An unaffiliated man or woman who participates in recruitment.

Quota: The number of new members that each Panhellenic sorority may select during formal recruitment.

Recruitment: The process by which chapters select new members; the official new Fraternity & Sorority Affairs term for "rush."

Recruitment Counselor (Gamma Chi): A Panhellenic representative who assists PNMs during the recruitment process. This woman completely disaffiliates from her sorority to provide objective advice and support.

Recruitment Group: A group of 30-40 women who live in close proximity to each other and are led by a Recruitment Counselor. This group will attend all of the Open House events together on the first and second days of recruitment.

Recommendation Letter: A recommendation letter written by a sorority alumna. These letters are not required for participation in recruitment. However, it is highly recommended that if you know an alumna, you ask them to write a recommendation letter on your behalf.

Ritual: The activity by which a fraternity or sorority brings into membership its new members who have met initiation requirements; the traditionally secret ceremonies of a fraternity or sorority.

Soror: Another term used to refer to one's sorority sister.

Strolling: Organization members move together in a line expressing pride for their organization. In this line, members may express their pride through use of their organization's call, sign or historical information, ritual/custom dances, etc. All of this is done through movements that are unique to a particular organization and should not be mimicked.

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GREEK HOUSING MAP

