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TAKE AN ADVENTURE WITH GREEK LIFE & EXPLORE RECRUITMENT
Welcome!

Congratulations on your decision to further your academic career at Troy University! This university encourages an atmosphere that truly has no limits. This will be the most exciting time of your life and you can enhance your college experience by considering to join a fraternity or sorority. Our community offers a value-based lifestyle through philanthropy, leadership, sports, brotherhood, and sisterhood while providing you with opportunities to excel academically. With a university that thousands call home you will certainly find an organization that can become yours. You will be welcomed with open arms by your new brothers and sisters, and instantly find a system of accountability and support that you never thought possible. For these reasons and so many more we hope you will consider becoming involved with the Greek system that has already granted us so much.

This university has long been embedded with a rich legacy within fraternity and sorority life. As 2016 approaches, we will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Greek system on Troy University’s campus. Our Greek community was founded on strong values of scholarship, friendship, and service, and our members strive to live out these values each and every day.

Your experience at Troy University will be some of the best years of your life, and we hope that this letter will provide you with a small glimpse of that. Immerse yourself in this opportunity and don’t hesitate to find your place on our campus. Our Greek community will do nothing but enhance your Troy experience. We wish you the best of luck on your college journey and look forward to meeting you in the fall!

Go Greek and Go Trojans!

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The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership at Troy University is committed to the success of our 21 fraternities and sororities. Greek life is an established tradition on campus that promotes Trojan Pride and the Trojan Way. These valued based organizations promote scholarship, leadership, service, and friendship. We strive to enhance the educational experience by creating an environment rich in leadership opportunities both in and outside of the classroom that allow students to put into practice principles learned in their academic settings. The office staff collaborates and advises the governing councils throughout the year. The office staff also works directly with the presidents and executive officers of the 21 campus fraternities and sororities on leadership development and organizational management. Thank you for reviewing our Greek Book and please visit our website for additional information.

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Why Join?

Fraternities and sororities provide a home away from home, and fosters unique and lasting friendships. Joining a fraternity or sorority exposes students to a large network of collegiate members and alumni that can help undergraduates transition successfully from college to assisting in finding internships and job opportunities post grad. Studies show that Greek students are more likely to return to school after their first year in college than their non-Greek peers. Thus indicating that Greek membership enhances a collegiate experience and contributes to a positive transition to college life.

As value-based organizations, fraternities and sororities work hard to exhibit their values in action by contributing to philanthropic causes in the community. Individual chapters host various fund-raising events and contribute their time to benefiting community agencies. As a whole, fraternities and sororities take advantage of the opportunity to give back and pursue this goal in a variety of ways.

Academic achievement is another important focus for all Greek organizations. Fraternities and sororities pursue intellectual engagement while also developing ongoing programs and initiatives designed to help students be academically successful throughout their college career. The value of intellectual curiosity does not end when one earns a diploma; it is held throughout a lifetime. This helps fraternity and sorority members meet life’s broader demands well into adulthood.

Most Greek members are involved in other aspects of campus life. Joining a Greek organization will open many doors and offer new experiences to its members. Fraternity and sorority members are often the most visible participants in campus-wide events, such as Homecoming, Preview Days, Welcome Week, and many other exciting events held at Troy University. Members enjoy a host of opportunities to engage in the life of the University.

Fraternities and sororities at TROY encourage members to get involved in their respective chapters, the Greek community, and in campus organizations. Fraternity and sorority members have access to a number of involvement opportunities that can increase students’ achievement in academics and enhance leadership, communication, and management skills.
Academic excellence is vital to Greek life as a whole. The Greek community at Troy University places an emphasis on scholarship by implementing programs that help members maintain high GPAs. At TROY, the overall Greek GPA is traditionally higher than that of the overall GPA of non-Greek students. To achieve these standards and encourage scholastic success. In fact, each chapter has regular study programs in place to ensure that members are having their study needs be met for higher GPA averages at the end of the semester. Being held accountable and encouraged by their Greek organization helps many individuals strive to achieve their academic goals. Greek chapters and councils recognize their members who have superior scholarship each year through their scholarship program. While Greeks do not hold any magical keys to scholastic success, studies have shown that members of Greek organizations are more likely to obtain a degree than non-Greek students.
Leadership

Developing ethical leaders today for life after college is an important part of Greek involvement. Fraternity and sorority members participate in a variety of programs that are designed to provide leadership development. There are many ways to be a leader in Troy University’s Greek community. Opportunities to serve may include serving as a chapter or council officer, attending national or regional leadership conferences, campus-based leadership opportunities, and committee involvement. Sororities and Fraternities encourage their members to be involved in campus life to its fullest. The majority of Greek members are involved in other aspects of student life outside their respective Greek organization. Members have access to participate in many other campus organizations as well as serving as officers in their organizations.
Service

Service is a meaningful pillar of fraternity and sorority involvement at Troy University. It is perhaps the most personally rewarding of the pillars, as members are provided with opportunities to participate in hands-on volunteer work and implement philanthropic events to raise money for charitable organizations. These opportunities ensure that fraternity and sorority members will have an impact on their community and develop a lifelong habit of giving back. Troy University’s Greek chapters sponsor many events throughout the year to serve and help the Troy community and national philanthropies. Troy University’s Greek members completed countless community services hours and donated over $198,000 to charity during the 2014 school year.
Brotherhood & Sisterhood

Greek organizations are viewed as a network of support for men and women who are going through similar experiences in life. Greek life is a great way to enhance the general collegiate experience through brotherhood, sisterhood and friendship. Bonds of brotherhood and sisterhood are formed within an organization and provide Troy University Greeks with a home away from home, mentorship, career networking, and a sense of community at a large university. Fraternity and sorority members enjoy lifelong bonds and connections with friends that can provide support in life’s significant moment and celebration in life’s successes. Brotherhood and sisterhood is an essential pillar of Greek life. Some of the greatest friends come from those who share our letters.
NPC
The Panhellenic Council serves as the governing body for the National Panhellenic Conference Sororities. Each sorority elects two members to serve on the council, one being an executive board member and the other serving as a delegate. These women promote the ideals of scholarship, leadership, friendship, and service. The Panhellenic Council runs weekly meetings to discuss topics relevant to the Greek community. One of our favorite events that we host each year is Haunted Hill. Each sorority offers trick or treating for the faculty, staff, and their families. NPC holds recruitment each Fall before classes begin.

I FC
The Interfraternity Council at Troy University is the governing body for eight male fraternities on campus. The IFC consists of four executive officers that serve as the executive council and one delegate member from each fraternity that have full voting rights. The IFC is responsible for ensuring communication among the fraternities, as well as coordinating specific events: Fall and Spring Recruitment, New Member Education, and many more. Recruitment or “Rush” is the process of recruiting new members into the Interfraternity Council. Recruitment is held at the beginning of Fall and Spring semesters and Informal Summer Recruitment throughout the summer.

NPHC
The national Pan-Hellenic Council is the governing body for eight Troy University fraternities and sororities on campus. Commonly known as the Divine Nine, these historically African American Greek Letter organizations are centered on community service, academics, leadership and brotherhood/sisterhood. The NPHC Council is compromised of one delegate from each member organization and four executive officers that lead this council.
How to Join

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 financial obligations associated with membership. To best learn about these cost, visit page 38.

1. Sorority Recruitment:
The 5 sororities that belong to the National Panhellenic Conference participate in sorority recruitment, which gives potential new members a chance to visit with each chapter and follows a structured schedule of events. They hold recruitment the days prior to fall semester. See page 10 for more information.

   Alpha Delta Pi
   Alpha Gamma Delta
   Chi Omega
   Kappa Delta
   Phi Mu

2. Fraternity Recruitment:
The 8 fraternities that belong to the North American Interfraternity Conference participate in fraternity recruitment, which gives young men an opportunity to get a feel for fraternity life. Recruitment takes place during designated times during the summer and immediately after school begins. See page 16 for more information.

   Alpha Tau Omega
   Delta Kappa Epsilon
   Delta Chi
   FarmHouse
   Lambda Chi Alpha
   Pi Kappa Phi
   Sigma Chi
   Tau Kappa Epsilon

3. National Pan-Hellenic Membership Intake:
The 8 NPHC organizations participate in membership intake, which is organized by the individual chapters. The chapters will have recruitment during the academic year. You must attend an NPHC convocation before you are allowed to participate in a membership intake process. See page 26 for more information.

   Alpha Kappa Alpha
   Delta Sigma Theta
   Sigma Gamma Rho
   Zeta Phi Beta
   Alpha Phi Alpha
   Kappa Alpha Psi
   Omega Psi Phi
   Phi Beta Sigma
We welcome you to join us for sorority recruitment this fall, and become a part of Greek life here at Troy University!

Sorority Recruitment Schedule
August 3 - August 8, 2015
Online registration begins June 1, 2015 & ends July 27, 2015
troy.edu/greek/sororitylife/howtoregister.html

JOIN OUR SISTERHOOD

Have you heard about sorority life on a college campus? Have you ever considered becoming a part of a sorority? We encourage you to learn about sorority life at Troy University, and we think you will like what you discover. Sisterhood is the foundation of a sorority. Sisters support each other and push one another to be the best they can be in many aspects, including academics, leadership, and service, just to highlight a few. Just remember, the best friend a girl can have is a sister!

Beginning August 3, our Panhellenic Council will be hosting Formal Sorority Recruitment. This will give potential new members the opportunity to meet the sorority women, and for them to meet you, all before classes begin. Please visit our web page http://troy.edu/greek/sororitylife/ and be sure to check out the sections, such as Our Sorority Women Speak and NPC Sorority Recruitment, to find helpful info for both you and your parents! The Online Recruitment Guide includes: FAQs, How to Register, Housing, Meals during Recruitment, and What to Wear.

Registration for the upcoming Recruitment begins on June 1, 2015, with the cost of $80. This fee will increase to $95 after July 15, 2015. Register TODAY and begin your adventure!
Alpha Delta Pi

Nickname: ADPi
Founding: May 15, 1851 at Wesleyan College
TROY Founding: April 19, 1966
Colors: White and Azure Blue
Chapter Symbol: Lion
Flower: Woodland Violet

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events:
The Ronald McDonald House, Lions Share
Alpha Gamma Delta

Nickname: Alpha Gam
Founding: May 30, 1904 at Syracuse University
TROY Founding: 1971
Colors: Red, Buff and Green
Chapter Symbol: Squirrel
Flower: Red and Buff Roses
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events:
Juvenile Diabetes
Chi Omega

Nickname: Chi O

Founding: April 5, 1895 at University of Arkansas

TROY Founding: February 19, 1977

Colors: Cardinal and Straw

Chapter Symbol: Owl

Flower: White Carnation

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events:
Make-a-Wish Foundation
Kappa Delta

Nickname: Kay Dee
Founding: 1897 at Longwood University
TROY Founding: January 15, 1966
Colors: Olive Green and Pearl White
Chapter Symbol: Teddy Bear
Flower: White Rose
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events:
Prevent Child Abuse America
Phi Mu

Nickname: Phi Mu
Founding: March 4, 1852 at Wesleyan College
TROY Founding: 1966
Colors: Rose and White
Chapter Symbol: Ladybug/Lion
Flower: Pink Carnation
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events:
Children’s Miracle Network
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### IFC Recruitment

Informal Selective Summer Recruitment is Monday, June 15 – Thursday, July 16. These dates correspond with the beginning and end of IMPACT. (In order to participate in Summer Recruitment, men must attend an IFC Information session during IMPACT.)

Registration for Formal Fall Recruitment will begin on June 15. Formal Fall Recruitment will be Wednesday, August 12 – Friday, August 14. Have your personal information such as email address, phone number, hobbies, and a photo ready for submission before beginning the registration process.

The fee is $25 to go through IFC recruitment, whether that is Selective Summer Recruitment or Formal Fall Recruitment. The fee for Selective Summer Recruitment will be paid in the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership once the University Buckley Form is signed. Formal Fall Recruitment can be paid through the online registration or you can pay your fee in the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership, Trojan Center 215.

For more information about IFC recruitment & registration:
Visit: troy.edu/greek/ifc/recruitment.html

### Dates

- June 15 – July 16 – Selective Summer Recruitment
- June 15 – Registration for Formal Fall Recruitment begins
- August 12 – 14 – Formal Fall Recruitment
- August 12 – Please join us at the UAC event, Fall Fest
- August 13 – Mandatory interest meeting at 5:00 pm in Trojan Center Ballrooms. This is also the deadline for Fall Recruitment Registration.
- August 14 – 17 – Bid Acceptance Dates
Alpha Tau Omega

Nickname- ATO

Founding- September 11, 1865 at Virginia Military Institute

TROY Founding- October 15, 2005

Colors- Azure Blue, Old Gold, White and Kelley Green

Chapter Symbol- Tau

Flower- White Tea Rose

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events OcTAUberfest & Walkhard
Delta Kappa Epsilon

Nickname- DKE
Founding- June 22, 1844 at Yale College
TROY Founding- 1976/ re-established in 2011
Colors- Azure or Gold and Gules
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events- Habitat for Humanity
Delta Chi

Nickname- Delta Chi

Founding- October 13, 1890 at Cornell University.

TROY Founding- April 2, 1966

Colors- Red and Buff

Flower- White Carnation

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events- Jimmy V. Foundation
FarmHouse

Nickname- FarmHouse
Founding- April 15, 1905 at University of Missouri
TROY Founding- May 20, 1995
Colors- Green, Gold and White
Flower- Red and White Rose
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events- The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
Lambda Chi Alpha

Nickname- Lambda Chi
Founding- November 2, 1909
TROY Founding- February 14, 1975
Colors- Purple, Green and Gold
Flower- White Rose
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events
North American Food Drive
Pi Kappa Phi

Nickname- Pi Kapp

Founding- December 10, 1904 at College of Charleston

TROY Chartered- April 10, 1966

Colors- White, Blue and Gold

Flower- Rose

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events- Push America
Sigma Chi

Nickname- Sigma Chi
Founding- 1855 at Miami Univ.
TROY Founding- 1977
Colors- Blue and Old Gold
Flower- White Rose

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events
Children Miracle Network Hospital
Tau Kappa Epsilon

Nickname- Teke
Founding- 1899 at Illinois Wesleyan Univ.
TROY Founding- 1967
Colors- Gray and Cherry
Chapter Symbol- Equilateral Triangle
Flower- Red Carnation
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events- St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital
Greek Week

Greek Week is one of the most exciting times of the year that Greek members look forward to its arrival. It is a time that can bring unity throughout the Troy University Fraternity and Sorority Life community. The week is created not only as another opportunity for brothers and sisters to spend more time together, but to also forge new friendships amongst Greek members. Greek Week seeks to instill the importance of being not only a member of a respective chapter, but also a member of the Greek community.

A large component of Greek Week is fundraising and giving back to local and national non-profit organizations. Greek Week 2015 selected three philanthropies to donate our Greek Week proceeds to. This year we continue to support Relay for Life while adding Pike County Special Olympics and the Troy Animal Rescue Project (TARP). Throughout Greek Week 2015, the community raised a total of $7500.00 that was donated to the different charities.
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How do I Register for Convocation?

Registration for convocation can be completed by visiting troy.edu/greek/nphc/greekconvocation.html. Registration for Convocation will end at 12 pm (noon) on August 20, 2015, please register before the deadline. You must register online for convocation. Online registration will open June 15. The cost of attending convocation is $10. If you can’t pay at the time of registration with a credit card, you can opt out of paying online and come to the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership, Trojan Center 215 and pay with cash or a check. All checks will need to be made out to TROY National Pan-Hellenic Council. For more information about NPHC and the Online Registration for Convocation, please visit the NPHC webpage at troy.edu/greek/nphc/greekconvocation.html.

How do I join a NPHC organization?

The National Pan-Hellenic Council’s recruitment process, known as Intake, begins with Convocation, which will be held on August 20 in Trojan Center Ballrooms A and B beginning at 7 p.m. This is an interactive, open forum in which all organizational members of the NPHC council are present to answer questions and present their organizations. Business attire is required for Convocation. Students looking to go through the Intake process of the NPHC organization are required to attend convocation sometime in their college career to be eligible to go through the Intake process. After you have attended convocation, your name will be entered into a database which will allow us to see that you have attended a required convocation.
Alpha Kappa Alpha

Nickname- AKA
Founding- January 15, 1908 at Howard University
TROY Founding- 1978
Colors- Salmon Pink and Apple Green
Chapter Symbol- Ivy Leaf
Flower- Pink Tea Rose
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events-
Boys and Girls Club
Delta Sigma Theta

Nickname- DST, Deltas
Founding- January 13, 1913 at Howard University
TROY Founding- May 22, 1976
Colors- Crimson and Creme
Chapter Symbol- Elephant
Flower- African Violet
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events-
Delta Academy, Delta Gems
Sigma Gamma Rho

Nickname- SGRho’s
Founding- November 12, 1922 at Butler University
TROY Founding- 1999
Colors- Royal Blue and Antique Gold
Chapter Symbol- French Toy Poodle
Flower- Yellow Tea Rose
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events- Habitat for Humanity
Zeta Phi Beta

Nickname- Zeta
Founding-January 16, 1920 at Howard University
TROY Founding- November 1982
Colors- Royal Blue and Pure White
Chapter Symbol- White Dove
Flower- White Rose
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events-
March of Dimes
Alpha Phi Alpha

Nickname- Alphas, The Apes

Founding- December 4, 1906 at Cornell University

TROY Founding- May 28, 1978

Colors- Black and Old Gold

Flower- Yellow Rose

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events -
“A Vote less People is a Hopeless People”“Go to High School, Go to College”“Project Alpha”
Kappa Alpha Psi

Nickname- The Nups, Kappas

Founding- January 5, 1911 at Indiana University

TROY Founding- November 21, 1976

Colors- Crimson and Creme

Flower- Red Carnation

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events:
Guide Right Program
Omega Psi Phi

Nickname- The Bruhs

Founding- November 17, 1911 at Howard University
TROY Founding- 1995

Colors- Royal Purple and Old Gold

Philanthropy and Fundraising Events-
Charles R. Drew Blood Drive, Al Lucas Memorial Golf Tournament
Phi Beta Sigma

Nickname- The Sigmas
Founding- January 9, 1914 at Howard University
TROY Founding- November 21, 1976
Colors- Royal Blue and Pure White
Flower- White Carnation
Philanthropy and Fundraising Events- Pike County School System, St. Jude Foundation
G.A.M.M.A.
Greek Advocating Mature Management of Alcohol

GAMMA is a peer education program that focuses on alcohol abuse prevention and other student health and safety issues. Our mission is to actively promote peer education as a useful element of campus health education and wellness efforts. Through education and activities designed to increase awareness of changing student health and safety issues, GAMMA focuses on the development and promotion of positive lifestyles and decision-making skills.

GAMMA members come from all fraternities and sororities to conduct programs, campaigns, and projects that create awareness, education, and encourages positive decision making. National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week and Safe Spring Break week are two of our biggest programs of the year. As a Greek and as a member of GAMMA you will be able to take an active leadership role in promoting a healthy lifestyle among your fellow Greeks.

Order of Omega

Order of Omega is an honor society for Greeks. It is the highest Greek honor a student can receive. Only 3 percent of the Greek community is selected to be a member of Order of Omega. The highlight of each year is the Order of Omega Banquet that recognizes the outstanding scholarship and leadership of our Greeks.

The purpose of The Order of Omega is threefold:

First, to recognize those students who have attained a high standard of leadership in inter-Greek activities, to encourage them to continue along this line, and to inspire others to strive for similar conspicuous attainment.

Second, to bring together the most representative fraternity and sorority members, and to create an organization which will help to mold the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate affairs.

Third, to bring together members of the faculty, alumni, and student members of the institution’s fraternities and sororities on a basis of mutual interest, understanding, and helpfulness.
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 long history of fraternity and sorority involvement, the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership 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 cost 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 onetime fees such as initiation and badge fees.

What is the time commitment like?
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 and sisters. Although it can be time intensive, it should not interfere with academic commitments. If you have concerns about the time your students is putting into their new member program, do not hesitate to contact our office.

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. Each chapter is governed by its (inter)national headquarters and governing council on campus. Additionally, the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership staff supports and advises the governing councils, chapter officers, and advisors.
Safety

Here at Troy University, there are many guidelines and protocols to ensure the safety of our Greeks.

- Risk management guidelines are reviewed by each chapter every semester. The guidelines are assessed by the University and by the national organizations. Councils review the chapters’ risk management policies and ensure the organizations are following protocol.

- Our sorority and fraternity houses are located close together and the buddy system is encouraged to maintain safety. University police frequently ride by fraternity and sorority houses to make sure they are safe and secure. All doors at our sorority houses lock automatically and you must have a key fob to enter. The sorority houses are located less than a mile from the city of Troy Police department providing an opportunity for the city police to frequently check on their houses.

- One organization that ensures the safety of our students is G.A.M.M.A. which stands for Greeks Advocating Mature Management of Alcohol. Many students join G.A.M.M.A. in an effort to promote alcohol safety and G.A.M.M.A. holds programs to educate students on alcohol management.

- Sororities and fraternities hold alcohol and safety education sessions before major social events and buses are used to transport to social events, such as formals and date parties. All Greek social events are chaperoned by advisors and have security present. Designated driver programs are also instated for social events. During closed parties, the organizations must provide a guest list to the Student Involvement office of who attended the party. Fraternities and sororities are encouraged to follow national guidelines as they may relate to risk management issues and social functions.

Statement of Hazing

Defined by Section 16-1-23, Code of Alabama (1975), and by such section as may be amended from time to time. Additionally for the purpose of these standards, hazing is any action taken or situation created, whether on or off organizational premises, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule to any person, whether or not such person has consented to participation in the activity. Such activities and situations include but are not limited to paddling in any form, scavenger hunts, road trips, excessive fatigue, deprivation of normal sleep, engaging in public stunts, morally degrading or humiliating activities, blind-folding, branding, calisthenics, running, forced consumption of food, alcohol, drugs, or any other substances and any other activities which are not consistent with fraternal law, ritual or policy or the regulations and policies of Troy University. No organizations shall allow any of its pledges/associates, members, or persons to participate in any hazing ceremony, activity or practice. Hazing in any form is absolutely prohibited at Troy University. For enforcement purposes, this applies to both individuals and organizations. Any instance of Hazing at Troy University may be reported (all parties will remain anonymous pending on investigation) by contacting the Office of Student Involvement at (334)670-3049 or (334)670-3204.
Financial Information

We know that parents and their students have serious discussions about whether they will be able to afford a sorority/fraternity. Just as you need to be informed regarding the cost associated with a college education, you need to understand the financial obligation associated with sorority/fraternity membership.

Each person joining a sorority/fraternity should be aware of the dues, fees and other expenses that are involved and should consider these when making financial plans to attend college. During recruitment events, a potential member should ask members about financial obligations and payment options. Each organization sets its own fees and payment schedules.

As with other organizations, there are financial obligations to be met when you join. Some responsibilities may include:

Paying the new member fee, house fee (if charged), initiation fee and purchasing your pin. These fees are paid only once. The new member fee is paid at the time of pledging. The initiation fee and pin are paid for at the time of initiation which is generally fall semester. Housing fees are paid at different times, depending on the organization.

- Paying monthly dues on time.
- Paying for optional services such as t-shirts and party pictures.
- Discussing fully with parents or guardians your financial situation & arriving at a mutual understanding of financial requirements.

Where exactly is my money going?

It varies from chapter to chapter, however the most common places money goes:

- National fees and obligations
- Membership recruitment
- Service projects
- Sisterhood/Brotherhood activities
- Special events

Additional cost throughout the semester will go to pictures, gifts, social events, T-shirts, etc.

TROY Averages

IFC
- Semester Bill: $450
- Pledge Bill: $125
- Initiation Fee: $125

NPC
- New Member Fee: $75
- Monthly Dues: $100
- Badge Fee: $150
- Initiation Fee: $200

NPHC

Initiation/intake fee: Rates for each organization varies differently because of the national dues. Expect when you go through membership intake paying from a minimum of $700 to a maximum of $2,000. Semester dues: $75
Definitions

ALUMNA – A sorority member who no longer attends college, but remains active in her sorority through involvement in alumnae groups across the nation.

ALUMNI- A fraternity member who graduated college, but remains active in his fraternity through involvement in alumni groups across the nation.

BID – A formal invitation to a potential member issued by a Greek organization inviting a potential member to join.

BID DAY – The day that potential members receive a bid.

CHAPTER – A local group of the larger national organization.

CROSSING OVER – An alternate name for initiation.

FRATERNITY – The name that applies to all Greek letter organizations that are characterized by a ritual, a pin and a strong tie of friendship. The term “fraternity” is also applied to a sorority.

GRADUATE MEMBER – A term used to describe a member of an NPHC organization who has either graduated from college, or completed the “alumni status” process with their organization. Members of Greek chapters possess an exclusive, lifetime membership to their organization.

GREEK WEEK – A series of special events sponsored by the Greek community to promote community service and Greek unity.

INITIATION – The formal ceremony during which a new member takes his or her final vows for full membership in their organization.

INTER-FRATERNITY COUNCIL (IFC) – The governing body of fraternities on campus.

LEGACY - A sister/brother, son/daughter or grandson/ granddaughter of an initiated member of a sorority or fraternity.

MEMBER - Someone who has been initiated into the chapter.

MEMBERSHIP INTAKE – A process by which interested persons become members of most historically black Greek-lettered organizations.

NEOPHYTE - A newly initiated fraternity or sorority member, though this term is not used by all organizations.

OPEN BID – An invitation to membership extended by a sorority after the completion of membership recruitment which may be extended and accepted without preferential or involved procedures.

NATIONAL PANHELENIC COUNCIL (NPC)– A governing body of the national sororities on campus.

NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL (NPHC) - A governing body of the historically African-American fraternities and sororities on campus.

NEW MEMBER – A woman who has accepted an invitation to membership in a sorority and who is working toward full membership but has not yet been initiated.

NEW MEMBER PRESENTATION – When new members are being presented to the campus community, formally known as a Probate Show

PHILANTHROPY – A service project undertaken by Greek chapters on the campus, community or national level.

PLEDGE/ASSOCIATE MEMBER– A person who has accepted a formal bid for membership and who is working toward full membership but has not yet been initiated.

PI CHI – An active member of a sorority who assists in membership recruitment and counsels potential members who have problems or questions concerning membership recruitment.

POTENTIAL MEMBER – A Greek name for YOU. Any person in good standing at the college who participates in membership recruitment.

RECRUITMENT - Generally refers to the 3-day mutual selection process in which those seeking membership in an IFC or Panhellenic chapter participate.
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