For more than 175 years, the DePauw experience has been marked by challenging academics, a vibrant and engaging campus life, and graduates who go on to lead lives of incredible purpose and accomplishment.

For many of our students, fraternity and sorority life has played a central role in their development during four years on our Greencastle campus. Twenty-five Greek-letter organizations make up the DePauw fraternity and sorority community. While a majority of these organizations belong to one of our four governing councils, our campus is also home to one local sorority and a Greek honor society.

Being a part of our fraternity and sorority community means learning both in and out of the classroom setting, taking advantage of opportunities for involvement, such as leadership positions and service projects. Membership in a Greek-letter organization is a lifelong commitment to fraternal values and relationship building and networking that extends well beyond DePauw. The student experience at DePauw is filled with challenges, self-discovery, educational and social opportunities no matter what type of involvement you choose.

I hope that you have fun, build long-lasting relationships and have many transformational experiences along the way. Please know that our office is a resource for any questions that you may have along the way.
Intellectual engagement is at the core of a liberal arts education and continues to be at the core of the fraternity and sorority experience. Engaging with new ideas, exploring new areas of study and meeting new people are the things that will shape your education at DePauw. These are the things that will shape your experience within the fraternity and sorority community. Scholarship is central to the values of each of the chapter’s on DePauw’s campus.

Fraternity and sorority life at DePauw presents an incredible opportunity to develop your leadership skills. You’ll take on one of the most challenging and invigorating tasks in leadership: the act of leading your peers. From managing a budget to coordinating board meetings to interacting with alumni, the opportunities to get involved are seemingly endless. But leadership doesn’t stop with getting involved with your individual chapter, because our Greek-lettered community is strongest when its members are involved across campus. From athletics to student governments to musical groups and other student organizations, fraternity and sorority leaders are involved shaping all facets of campus life.
LIFELONG FRIENDS

One of the most wonderful experiences about being involved in a fraternity or sorority are the life-long friendships you’ll make. You’ll get to know people you never thought you’d meet. These relationships will expand your knowledge of majors, interests and cultures to name a few. And just as you’ll learn more about your brothers and sisters, you’ll come to know more about yourself. Upon graduating from DePauw, the relationships you have forged during your undergraduate experience will continue through both personal and professional networks.

SERVICE

A common goal among fraternity and sororities is a commitment to helping others through community service and philanthropic endeavors. From service trips, to fundraisers, to volunteering with local charities, our Greek-lettered community puts a premium on giving back. These activities offer college men and women special opportunities to make a positive difference in the lives of others, as well as opportunities to develop and grow from these experiences.
INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

The DePauw University Interfraternity Council (IFC) is the governing body for the 9 recognized North-American Interfraternity Conference organizations on campus. The council works to implement educational, social and service opportunities and programs throughout the year. Formal recruitment for IFC organizations occur during the start of the spring semester.

ALPHA TAU OMEGA
Motto: America’s Leadership Development
Fraternity Founded: 1865, Virginia Military Institute
Chapter Chartered: 1924

BETA THETA PI
Mottos: Men of Principle, Fortunate
Fraternity Founded: 1839, Miami University
Chapter Chartered: 1845

DELTA TAU DELTA
Motto: Committed to Lives of Excellence
Fraternity Founded: 1858, Bethany College
Chapter Chartered: 1882
DELTA UPSILON
Motto: Justice, Our Foundation
Fraternity Founded: 1834,
Williams College
Chapter Chartered: 1887

PHI DELTA THETA
Motto: One Man Is No Man
Fraternity Founded: 1848,
Miami University
Chapter Chartered: 1868

PHI GAMMA DELTA
Motto: Friendship, the Sweetest
Influence
Fraternity Founded: 1848,
Jefferson College
Chapter Chartered: 1856

PHI KAPPA PSI
Motto: The Great Joy of Serving Others
Fraternity Founded: 1852,
Jefferson College
Chapter Chartered: 1865

SIGMA CHI
Motto: In This Sign You Shall Conquer
Fraternity Founded: 1855,
Miami University
Chapter Chartered: 1859

SIGMA NU
Motto: Excelling with Honor
Fraternity Founded: 1869,
Virginia Military Institute
Chapter Chartered: 1890
MULTICULTURAL GREEK COUNCIL

The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) is the collaborative group which supports multicultural fraternities and sororities on campus. Together they aim to unite and serve the needs and wants of culturally diverse Greek-lettered organizations through academic excellence, leadership, communication and fellowship. Through a variety of forums, the council promotes growth, cooperation and enlightenment to serve and educate the DePauw community. The Membership Intake Process for MGC organizations is organizational based; attending informational meetings and events is encouraged.

LOCAL SORORITY

DePauw University also hosts one local sorority. Since its founding in 2007, it aims to provide women a unique Greek experience.

LAMBDA SIGMA UPSILON FRATERNITY, INC.
Motto: Latinos Always United Fraternity Founded: 1979, Rutgers University Chapter Chartered: 2012

OMEGA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.

SIGMA LAMBDA GAMMA SORORITY, INC.
Motto: Culture is Pride, Pride is Success Sorority Founded: 1990, University of Iowa Chapter Chartered: 2008

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NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) represents the historically black Greek-lettered community. The aim is to promote unity and understanding among affiliate organizations and serve as a resource in addition to advocating scholarship, intellectual achievement and service to the community. The Membership Intake Process for NPHC organizations is organizational based; attending informational meetings and events is encouraged.

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.
Motto: By Culture and by Merit
Sorority Founded: 1908,
Howard University
Chapter Chartered: 1991

ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.
Motto: First of All, Servants of All, We Shall Transcend All
Fraternity Founded: 1906,
Cornell University
Chapter Chartered: 2005

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.
Motto: Intelligence Is the Torch of Wisdom
Sorority Founded: 1913,
Howard University
Chapter Chartered: 1925

KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY, INC.
Motto: Achievement in Every Field of Human Endeavor
Fraternity Founded: 1911,
Indiana University
Chapter Chartered: 1991

ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.
Motto: A Community-Conscious, Action-Oriented Organization
Sorority Founded: 1920,
Howard University
Chapter Chartered: 2010
The Panhellenic Association (PHA) is the council which represents the six National Panhellenic Conference sororities and an Associate Member on campus. DePauw’s women’s organizations work collaboratively to support and provide a positive recruitment experience for potential new members. PHA creates a variety of opportunities to discuss women’s development, scholarship and leadership, develop service and philanthropic events and foster unity throughout the Greek-lettered community. Formal recruitment for PHA organizations occurs during the start of the spring semester.

**ALPHA CHI OMEGA**  
Motto: Together Let Us Seek the Heights  
Sorority Founded: 1885, DePauw University  
Chapter Chartered: 1885

**ALPHA PHI**  
Motto: Union Hand in Hand  
Sorority Founded: 1872, Syracuse University  
Chapter Chartered: 1887

**DELTA GAMMA**  
Motto: Do Good  
Sorority Founded: 1873, Lewis School  
Chapter Chartered: 1949

**KAPPA ALPHA THETA**  
Motto: True Promise  
Sorority Founded: 1870, DePauw University  
Chapter Chartered: 1870

**KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA**  
Motto: Aspire to Be  
Sorority Founded: 1870, Monmouth College  
Chapter Chartered: 1875

**MU SIGMA UPSILON, INC.**  
Motto: Women Always United  
Sorority Founded: 1981, Rutgers University New Brunswick  
Chapter Chartered: 2017

**PI BETA PHI**  
Motto: Friends and Leaders for Life  
Sorority Founded: 1867, Monmouth College  
Chapter Chartered: 1942
Nearly 70% of students are affiliated with a Greek-lettered organizations.

Pi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
First NPHC Organization founded at DePauw in 1991.

DePauw's first fraternity
Beta Theta Pi – Delta Chapter, founded at Indiana Asbury in 1845, eight years after the university.

Two women's organizations were founded at DePauw
Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Chi Omega

Fall 2016 Council GPA
Interfraternity Council: 3.13
Panhellenic Council: 3.38
National Pan-Hellenic Council: 2.63
Multicultural Greek Council: 3.04

Spring 2017 Council GPA
Interfraternity Council: 3.10
Panhellenic Council: 3.27
National Pan-Hellenic Council: 2.65
Multicultural Greek Council: 2.99

More information on individual chapters GPA can be found at www.depauw.edu/studentacademiclife/greek/resources/gradereports/.

Fall 2016 All Greek GPA
All University: 3.20
All Fraternity GPA: 3.137
All Men Average: 3.0935
All Sorority GPA: 3.37
All Women Average: 3.287

Spring 2017 All University GPA
All University: 3.21
All Fraternity GPA: 3.09
All Men Average: 3.07
All Sorority GPA: 3.37
All Women Average: 3.33

25 Recognized chapters
What are the benefits to joining a fraternity or sorority?
Greek-letter organizations were founded on the principles of leadership, service, scholarship and brother/sisterhood. Students today find that fraternity and sorority life provides opportunities to get involved within the community and on campus, develop lifelong friendships, gain valuable leadership experience, and achieve success academically.

How do I/How does my student join a fraternity or sorority?
Students can join a fraternity or a sorority at DePauw University in a few different and unique ways:

• **National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)** does not sponsor a rush for the Historically Black Greek Lettered Organizations although they do host “Meet The Greeks” each fall so students can learn more about each chapter and ask questions about joining. Each fraternity and sorority reaches out to potential new members independently; students can learn more by attending interest sessions, attending each organization’s functions, and talking with current members. To seek membership, students should make connections with current chapter members and express interest utilizing the connections they have made.

• **Multicultural Greek Council (MGC)** does not sponsor a rush for organizations affiliated with the council. Although, several events like “Step, Stroll, and Salute” are hosted in the fall for students to learn more about the organizations. Students are encouraged to attend interest sessions, attend organization events, and talking to members on campus to foster understanding. To seek membership, students should make connections with current chapter members and express interest utilizing the connections they have made.

• **Panhellenic Council** or **Interfraternity Council (IFC)**, men’s fraternity, host a formal recruitment process takes place during prior to the start of the Spring Term (January). Both Panhellenic and IFC organizations coordinate their individual processes, where each fraternity/sorority host events that allows
potential members the opportunity to get to know the members and determine which organization is the best fit for them.

- If you would like more information about the Panhellenic Council Recruitment process, refer to the Panhellenic Council webpage or e-mail panhellenic@depauw.edu.

- If you would like more information about the Interfraternity Council Recruitment process, please contact Interfraternity Council at ifc@depauw.edu.

- Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority, Inc. participates in Membership Intake Process which is organizational based; attending informational meetings and events is encouraged.

Why doesn’t IFC and Panhellenic Recruitment occur in the fall semester?
DePauw University made the decision to defer the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Recruitment processes in 1999. Deferred recruitment allows first-year students the opportunity to better transition to the University, adjust to college level course work, meet friends outside of the Fraternity and Sorority community, join other campus organizations, and form a strong community in their residence halls before deciding if fraternity and sorority life is for them.

When does Greek Property Open?
Access by non-members to the privately-owned chapter houses is determined by each chapter. In the case of First-Year students, access policies have been set by the Interfraternity Council for its nine chapters and by the Panhellenic Council for its six chapters. For specific information regarding the First-Year Greek Property for this academic year, visit each council webpage. Students can attend events that are open at IFC and Panhellenic chapters these include philanthropic events and council sponsored events.

NPHC, MGC, Associate Members and Local Organizations do not have a First-Year Greek
Property policy, therefore, student may attend open events for the DePauw community. First-Year Students can attend both NPHC and MGC events that are sponsored by DePauw recognized organizations.

**What is a Rho Gamma?**
If you participate in the recruitment process for IFC chapters or Panhellenic organizations, you will have a recruitment guide called a Rho Gamma. A Rho Gamma is a member of an IFC or Panhellenic organization who is disaffiliated from their chapter during recruitment.

Recruitment Guides are impartial, unbiased recruitment resources. They are trained in the recruitment process and how to best support you as you learn more about the IFC and Panhellenic community. Men and women will meet their Rho Gamma during formal recruitment in late January.

**How much does membership in a fraternity or sorority cost?**
There are costs associated with joining a fraternity and sorority and it is important to get the facts before deciding to join as financial responsibility is a serious point of membership. For all fraternities and sororities, membership dues support the chapter operational expenses, social functions, and national fees. New members can expect to pay higher dues during their first semester for additional national costs (new member and initiation fees, badge cost, etc.). Additional – and often optional – costs through the semester may include t-shirts, pictures, etc. Some chapters offer payment plans and some even offer scholarships to help make membership affordable for those who wishes to join.

**What are the requirements for joining a fraternity or sorority?**
Any student wishing to join a fraternity or sorority on campus must meet DePauw University, Council-specific, and inter/national requirements for membership.

- Men and women wishing to join a MGC/NPHC organization must:
- Be in good standing with the University
- Be at least a second semester first-year student and meet all expectations of the inter/national organization for membership
- Meet the GPA requirement stated by inter/national headquarters and the chapter.
- Chapters encourage interested men and women to have a record of community service and campus involvement.
Women wishing to participate in Panhellenic Council formal recruitment must:

- Disciplinary records must be free of recruitment restrictions
- Be at least a second semester first-year student

Men wishing to participate in IFC formal recruitment must:

- Have at least a 2.5 G.P.A.
- Disciplinary records must be free of recruitment restrictions
- Be at least a second semester first-year student

How would joining a fraternity or sorority impact my academics?
Each chapter focuses on academic support and resources for their members throughout the academic year. Most of our chapters are above the All Men’s and All Women’s GPA each semester and constantly strive to improve. It is important to focus on your academic success and balance that with membership to any organization. As you consider joining the community, it is encouraged that you review the chapters and councils academic information, which can be found on the Greek Resource Page: www.depauw.edu/studentacademiclife/greek/resources/gradereports/

A close relative is a member of an organization. What does that mean for me?
Each inter/national organization has policies for legacies. This is something that you will want to have your relative(s) consult with their individual inter/national organization. Most organizations can answer these questions and provide information prior to recruitment. Depending on the inter/national organizations guidelines, it may not guarantee you will be extended membership.