# GO GREEK GUIDEBOOK

Keeps students in college More successful More active on campus Develop leadership skills Support for academic achievement Build life-long relationships Passion for philanthropy



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# WELCOME TO SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY!

Greek letter organizations stress four key areas for membership development:

LEADERSHIP, CHARITABLE WORK, BROTHER/ SISTERHOOD, AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT. Getting involved in campus activities is one of the best decisions that you can

**Make.** Exciting new ideas, experiences, and friends await you. For many students, joining a fraternity or sorority is an ideal pathway to campus involvement. Greek letter organizations stress four key areas for membership development: leadership, charitable work, brother/sisterhood, and academic achievement. Fraternities and sororities ask members to uphold the highest personal ethics and standards. Evidence shows that Greek students log more community service hours, receive more leadership training, create a stronger second "family" on campus, and earn higher grade point averages than non-members. If these benefits sound appealing, consider taking a closer look at joining a Greek organization. There may be one just right for you!



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# **STUDENT LIFE & LEADERSHIP**



The Office of Student Life and Leadership in the Division of Student Affairs is dedicated to student engagement, development, and success.

Through provision of advising, education and a wealth of programming, this department aims to provide a balanced university experience for all members of SDSU's diverse community.

Within Student Life and Leadership, students will find information and guidance on finding or starting a club or organization that suits their interests, information on the university's event approval process, resources for commuter and LGBTQ students, opportunities to engage in leadership and community service activities and detailed information on getting involved in Fraternity and Sorority Life at SDSU.

Make the most of your experiences at San Diego State University by getting involved. Balance your time for learning, leading and living by participating in activities with other students who share your same interests. Build your skills, create friendships and become a part of the exciting things happening on our campus.

The Student Life and Leadership Offices are located in the Conrad Prebys Aztec Student Union, on the second floor, in room 210.

# **GREEK ACCREDITATION**

There are 7 areas in which the program seeks to measure:

- 1. academic achievement
- 2. alumnae and family relations
- 3. chapter management
- 4. community service
- 5. greek relations
- 6. leadership development
- 7. membership education and development

Each chapter in the Greek community at San Diego State University participates in the Greek Accreditation program. It is designed to measure the success and areas needing improvement in each chapter. There are 7 areas in which the program seeks to measure: academic achievement, alumnae and family relations, chapter management, community service, greek relations, leadership development, and membership education and development. Within each area, there are requirements at the minimum, silver and gold levels. Chapter must meet all minimum level requirements in order to be eligible for silver, and then must meet all silver level requirements to be eligible to meet gold requirements. Our chapters work hard each semester to fulfill these requirements and document their successes. Greek accreditation holds our community to a high set of standards we believe all our chapters are capable of achieving.

# **HAZING POLICY**

Joining any organization should be a positive experience. New member activities and initiation rituals should focus on the positive aspects of both the organization and the individual.

#### REPORT HAZING TO SDSU

If you would like to report a hazing incident, please submit information in am email to **reporthazing@sdsu.edu**.

#### **SDSU Resources:**

- » Student Life & Leadership http://studentaffairs.sdsu.edu/SLL
- » Center for Student Rights and Responsibilities
  http://studentaffairs.sdsu.edu/SRR

#### HAZING PREVENTION RESOURCES

- » National Anti-Hazing Hotline 1-888-NOT-HAZE
- » StopHazing www.stophazing.org www.hazingprevention.org

#### What Is Considered Hazing?

Hazing includes any activity, regardless of location, intent, membership status, or consent of the participants, that causes or is reasonably likely to cause bodily danger, physical harm, mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, fright, humiliation, intimidation, degradation, ridicule or extreme mental stress, or otherwise compromises the dignity of the individual. Hazing is prohibited by the University Code of Student Conduct, California law, and the policies of all national fraternal organizations. SDSU maintains a "zero tolerance" stance toward hazing. Individuals that violate the policy are subject to suspension or expulsion. The SDSU Greek community believes that hazing is contrary to the true fraternal values of brotherhood and sisterhood. Student Organization Handbook 7-3, 7-4, 7-5.

The California Legislature moved hazing to be included in Penal Code in order to close legal loopholes and to deter students from participating and conducting this type of behavior. It is unlawful to engage in hazing. Section 245.6 California Penal Code.

#### The Facts About Hazing

- » Hazing is often associated with athletics and Greek-letter organizations; however, hazing can occur across a wide spectrum of organizations.
- Hazing is about power and control. Hazers tend to have a need to feel powerful and in control over others. Those being hazed often have a desire to be accepted into the group.
- » When only a small group of members in an organization are involved in a hazing incident, there are often individual and organizational consequences.
- » Although the excuses for hazing tend to be along the lines of the activities build trust, in reality, it does just the opposite and there are plenty of other less-risky activities a group leader can do with a group of new members to build trust, respect, and togetherness that is not hazing.
- » It only takes one person willing and able to have the courage and integrity to break hazing traditions. In the end, it is most important to do what is right.

# WHY GO GREEK?

# Fraternity/sorority membership KEEPS STUDENTS IN COLLEGE!

According to The Center for Advanced Social Research at the University of Missouri-Columbia, students who belong to a fraternity/sorority are 28% more likely to stay in college than other students.

#### Members of Greek organizations are MORE SUCCESSFUL in life after college!

College graduates who belong to a fraternity/sorority tend to be more successful, financially, than other college graduates. After factoring out the effect of parents' education level, gender, and year of graduation, The Center for Advanced Social Research at the University of Missouri-Columbia found fraternity/sorority membership correlated positively with higher income.

#### Greeks are MORE ACTIVE ON CAMPUS!

Greek students tend to participate more fully in extracurricular opportunities across campus including deep commitment and involvement in their Greek organization through committees and leadership positions.

Fraternity/sorority members also tend to nurture their involvement in the community in later years. One study indicated fraternity/sorority alumni are more active in volunteer organizations, charitable activities, and non-profits.

# Doors open for the development of individual LEADERSHIP SKILLS!

San Diego State University places a high value on leadership development. The Greek community offers additional opportunities specifically for members of Greek organizations including Order of Omega, Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol (GAMMA), Greek Life Activities Board (GLAB), T.E.A.M Retreat, and more!

#### Chapters provide SUPPORT for ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT!

Greek Life upholds high standards and support for academic achievement by facilitating academic programming throughout the community and within each chapter. Support often consists of scholarship opportunities, academic related workshops, mentoring or tutoring opportunities, required study hours, grade point average (GPA) requirements to attend social events and/or be eligible to serve in leadership roles. All these extra support mechanisms help assist Greek students in earning higher GPAs than their non-Greek peers. Nearly 60% of the fraternity and sorority community earned a 3.0 or above during Fall 2013!

# Membership benefits include opportunity for LIFELONG RELATIONSHIPS!

For many Greek students, the most important benefit of their involvement in Greek Life is the deep bonds of friendship they create which they often referred to as brotherhood/sisterhood. Fraternities/sororities provide an avenue to develop strong support systems in college and in later life. Members actively participate in events including chapter retreats, exchanges between fraternities and sororities, all-Greek community-wide events, formal dances, beach outings, winter and spring break trips, parent and alumni weekends, and campus-wide events. Many Greek students are also very active in intramurals on campus!

# Greek students have a passion for philanthropy!

Philanthropy and community service are vital to the activities of fraternity/sorority life! Chapters raise thousands of dollars per year for worthwhile causes. Each spring semester the community also comes together for a single cause during Greek Week! In 2014, the Greek community raised over \$22,000 to benefit a local organization called Photocharity. The amount of hours spent on community service per Greek Life member is greater than most non-Greek students.

## GO GREEK! INFORMATION SESSION

Not sure you want to join? Attend a Go Greek! Information Session to learn more about Greek Life, meet active chapter members, and ask questions before deciding to join. There will be several sessions offered during the first five weeks of the fall and spring semesters. For specific dates, times, and locations check the Greek Life calendar on the Greek Life website.

# FRATERNITY/SORORITY COUNCILS



#### **COLLEGE PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION (CPA)**

The College Panhellenic Association is the governing body for all National Panhellenic Conference inter/national sorority chapters at San Diego State University. The first CPA chapter came into existence at SDSU in 1949. The CPA

was established to further academic excellence, facilitate leadership development, promote philanthropy and service and encourage chapter relations in the CPA community and beyond. The CPA is comprised of nine chapters.



#### INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL (IFC)

The Interfraternity Council is the governing body of inter/nationally recognized fraternity chapters at San Diego State University. Founded at SDSU in 1975, the IFC oversees 12 full member chapters and one associate member chapter.

IFC works to promote the fraternity experience to students and strengthen the IFC community by offering opportunities for further development.



#### NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL (NPHC)

The National Pan-Hellenic Council is the governing body for the historically African-American fraternities and sororities. NPHC at SDSU consists of two fraternities and two sororities. NPHC organizations are founded in a strong tradition

of service in and around the community, combined with education and social programming. Each organization seeks to provide students with an enriching college experience and leadership opportunities within each organization and within the Council.



#### UNITED SORORITY AND FRATERNITY COUNCIL (USFC)

The United Sorority and Fraternity Council is the governing body for the 18 culturally-based fraternities and sororities, two of which are provisional status chapters. USFC was founded on the campus of San Diego State University in 1997. The

purpose of the Council is to provide a governing body for its respective organizations and to promote unity and respect amongst themselves, the university, and the community.

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# **ALPHA CHI OMEGA**

COLORS: Scarlet Red & Olive Green NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 15, 1885, DePauw University (IN) SDSU FOUNDING: Nov. 18, 1950 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.alwaysalphachi.org NATIONAL WEBSITE: https://www.alphachiomega.org MOTTO: Together Let us seek the Heights CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.14 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** Alpha Chi Omega is all about finding and shaping real, strong women. Being an Alpha Chi means being a part of an organization that allows you to be yourself, learn how to make the most of their life, and realize your greatest potential. It means receiving encouragement, inspiration, fun, and friendship of other real, strong women. It means getting a collegiate learning and leadership program that supplements and complements what you'll get from SDSU.





# ALPHA EPSILON PHI SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Green & White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 24, 1909, Barnard College (NY) SDSU FOUNDING: March 8, 1964 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://sdsuaephi.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: https://www.aephi.org MOTTO: Multa Corda Una Causa (Many Hearts One Purpose) CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.42 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Alpha Epsilon Phi is "to inspire and support exemplary women dedicated to friendship and a lifelong commitment to Alpha Epsilon Phi while building on the vision of our Jewish founders." Above all else, Alpha Epsilon Phi inspires exemplary women who are: Enriched by sisterhood and unconditional friendships, Dedicated to selfless service, and inspiring others, and Committed to intellectual growth and personal development. As a lifelong member of Alpha Epsilon Phi, I will: Respect our shared heritage and traditions, Exhibit high ideals and moral character, Fulfill expectations and responsibilities of membership, and Continually exemplify the values of beauty, strength, and wisdom as embodied by the three columns of our insignia.



# ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

COLORS: Red, Buff & Green NATIONAL FOUNDING: May 30, 1904, Syracuse University (NY) SDSU FOUNDING: Feb 1, 2014 CHAPTER WEBSITE: sdsu.alphagammadelta.org NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.alphagammadelta.org MOTTO: Live with Purpose CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.05 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated

**PURPOSE:** Alpha Gamma Delta is an international women's fraternity that promotes academic excellence, philanthropic giving, ongoing leadership and personal development and above all, a spirit of loving sisterhood. Guided by our Purpose, Alpha Gamma Deltas strive to attain a higher standard, thereby improving their lives, the lives of those around them and the communities in which they live. Together, we continually work to inspire the woman and impact the world.

# ALPHA PHI

COLORS: Silver & Bordeaux NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 10, 1872, Syracuse University (NY) SDSU FOUNDING: 1949 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.ilovealphaphi.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: https://www.alphaphi. org/Home MOTTO: Union Hand in Hand CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.23 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Minimum

**PURPOSE:** The objectives of our Fraternity are the promotion of growth and character, unity of feeling, sisterly affection, and social communion among our members. We have banded together to improve our minds and hearts, and we seek to aid each other through a constant WatchCare that is always given in love. We believe ourselves to be sincere searchers for truth.

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# **DELTA GAMMA**



COLORS: Bronze, Pink, & Blue NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 25, 1873, Lewis School for Girls (MS) SDSU FOUNDING: Oct. 1984 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://sdsu.deltagamma.org NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.deltagamma.org MOTTO: Do Good CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.05 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Delta Gamma is an international women's fraternity that continues to place a strong dedication on personal values and standards, academic excellence, leadership and service. Delta Gamma encourages each member to strive for excellence and offers the programming and support to help each member reach that commitment. Delta Gamma offers its members the experience of sharing the strong bonds of sisterhood for a lifetime.

# DELTA ZETA

COLORS: Rose & Green NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 24, 1902, Miami University (OH) SDSU FOUNDING: March 15, 2008 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sdsudeltazeta. com/ NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.deltazeta.org/ Home MOTTO: Let the Flame Endure Forever CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.87 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Silver

**PURPOSE:** Delta Zeta has developed strong campus leaders, outstanding scholars, dedicated community members and a sisterhood committed to creating life-long friendships. With San Diego State University being a large campus, first experiences can be both exciting and intimidating. However, in Delta Zeta, each chapter member is able to find her unique place within the sorority and is able to discover her best college experience imaginable.





# GAMMA PHI BETA

COLORS: Brown & Mode NATIONAL FOUNDING: Nov. 11, 1874, Syracuse University (NY) SDSU FOUNDING: Oct. 15, 1949 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.gammaphisdsu.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.gammaphibeta.org/Home MOTTO: Founded Upon a Rock CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.11 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** We represent a group of diverse young women who always strive to represent and inspire the highest type of womanhood, as our founders intended. Shared goals and interests in areas of service, intellectual and social growth, and building rock solid relationships hold our sisterhood together. Gamma Phi Beta isn't just four collegiate years; it represents friendships and experiences that will last a lifetime!

# KAPPA DELTA

COLORS: Olive Green & Pearl White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 23, 1897, State Female Normal School, Farmville (VA) SDSU FOUNDING: May 28, 1949 CHAPTER WEBSITE: sdsu.kappadelta.org NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.kappadelta.org MOTTO: Let us Strive for that which is Honorable, Beautiful, and Highest CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.09 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Kappa Delta Sorority is committed to providing opportunities and experiences that inspire women to greatness. Kappa Delta Sorority is a national organization for women committed to: Inspiring our members to reach their full potential; Preparing our members for community service, active leadership and responsible citizenship; Creating opportunities for lifetime involvement through innovative and responsive programs, and strategic collaborations and partnerships; and Fostering the development of our time-honored values within the context of friendship. The purpose of Kappa Delta Sorority is to promote true friendship among the college girls of our country by inculcating into their hearts and lives those principles of truth, of honor, of duty, without which there can be no true friendship.







ПВФ **COLORS:** Wine & Silver Blue NATIONAL FOUNDING: April 28, 1867, Monmouth College (IL) SDSU FOUNDING: 1949 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.pibetaphi.org/pibetaphi/sdsu NATIONAL WEBSITE: https://www.pibetaphi.org/pibetaphi **MOTTO:** Cultivating Sincere Friendship CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.17 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** The twelve founders of Pi Beta Phi believed that college should be a place for women to grow and develop; they created Pi Beta Phi with the idea that it would create unity among young, pioneering women. Since Pi Beta Phi's foundations were laid in 1867, it has acted as a home away from home where young women have the opportunity to grow and prosper throughout their college experience. The mission of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women is to promote friendship, develop women of intellect and integrity, cultivate leadership potential, and enrich lives through community service.

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# ALPHA EPSILON PI

**COLORS:** Gold & Blue

NATIONAL FOUNDING: Nov. 7, 1913, New York University (NY) SDSU FOUNDING: April 30, 2000 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://www.aepisd.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://www.aepi.org **MOTTO:** Commitment for a Lifetime CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.98 **GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Minimum** 

**PURPOSE:** Alpha Epsilon Pi, the Global Jewish Fraternity, was founded to provide opportunities for a Jewish man seeking the best possible college and fraternity experience and maintained the integrity of our purpose by strengthening our ties to the Jewish community and serving as a link between high school and career. AEPi is the largest Jewish Fraternity in the United States, and we are open to all men who wish to further our goals of Brotherhood, Leadership, and commitment to the Jewish Community. Our Brothers are active in a wide range of activities in both the Jewish community, and the SDSU community at large.











# DELTA SIGMA PHI

COLORS: Nile Green & White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 10, 1899, City College of New York (NY) SDSU FOUNDING: Fall 2013 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: https://www.deltasig.org/Home MOTTO: Better Men. Better Lives. CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated

**PURPOSE:** Delta Sigma Phi is a national, not-forprofit Fraternity that's helped young men become better for more than a century. Founded on December 10, 1899 at the College of the City of New York, Delta Sig has grown significantly over the years with 104 active chapters in the United States. Our great Fraternity helps and encourages our members to become better students, better leaders, better citizens, better professionals...better men.

# DELTA UPSILON

COLORS: Old Gold & Sapphire Blue NATIONAL FOUNDING: Nov. 4, 1834, Williams College (MA) SDSU FOUNDING: May 11th, 1968 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://sdsudeltaupsilon.airset. com NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.deltau.org MOTTO: Dikiai Upotheke (Justice, Our Foundation) CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.78

GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** The first and only non-secret international fraternity. Founded in 1834 at Williams College, Delta Upsilon is committed to building better men through our four founding principles: the promotion of friendship, development of character, diffusion of liberal culture and advancement of justice.













# KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

COLORS: Old Gold & Crimson NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 21, 1865, Washington and Lee University (VA) SDSU FOUNDING: April 13, 2013 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://websites.omegafi.com/ omegaws/kappaalphaordersandiegostate NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.kappaalphaorder.org MOTTO: Dieu et les Dames (For God and the Ladies) CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.82 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** Kappa Alpha is composed of gentlemen who share similar values and morals and who work on improving their character while creating a brotherhood that lasts a lifetime and enjoying the years at a university. As a result, we like to pride ourselves in the tradition of chivalry and outstanding mannerisms. We are known as the "gentlemen of the fraternity world" and like to pride ourselves in our values of reverence, gentility, service, leadership, knowledge, perseverance, and excellence.

# **KAPPA SIGMA**

COLORS: Scarlet, White, & Emerald Green NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 10, 1869, University of Virginia (VA) SDSU FOUNDING: Fall 2013 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://kappasigma.org MOTTO: Bononia Docet (Bologna Teaches) CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated

**PURPOSE:** Kappa Sigma strives to complement and enhance the educational mission of SDSU, promote the ideal of Brotherhood, actively contribute the personal growth and development of its members, promote ethical behavior and decision-making, and encourage service to others.

\*KAPPA SIGMA IS AN AFFILIATE MEMB<mark>ER CHAPTER OF</mark> THE IFC.











# PHI DELTA THETA

COLORS: Argent & Azure NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 26, 1848, Miami University (OH)

SDSU FOUNDING: April 10, 2010 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sdsuphidelt.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: https://www.phideltatheta.org MOTTO: Become the Greatest Version of Yourself CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.81 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** The pinnacle of fraternal and professional societies, centered on the potential of each brother, the unquenchable thirst for personal development and the lifelong values of friendship, sound learning and rectitude. Helping every individual to meet his true potential is the bedrock of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. By celebrating each person's true self, and by learning from each other's strengths while helping to improve each other's weaknesses, every member of Phi Delta Theta develops into a greater version of himself than he could ever on his own.

# PHI GAMMA DELTA

COLOR: Royal Purple NATIONAL FOUNDING: May 1, 1848, Jefferson College (PA) SDSU FOUNDING: May 4, 2013 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sdsufiji.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.phigam.org MOTTO: Friendship, the Sweetest Influence CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.84 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Minimum

**PURPOSE:** Phi Gamma Delta is dedicated to developing men of character within the academic setting, with the aim that they will become fully contributing members of society. In pursuit of this mission, the Fraternity promotes five core values: Friendship, which brings us together and is the basis of our brotherhood, Knowledge, the primary reason our members attend college and the key to a fuller, richer life, Service, in recognition of our obligation to give back to the campus and community that foster our growth, Morality, our commitment to do what is right in all our relationships. Excellence, the achievement of the full potential of the chapter and the individual members.







# PHI KAPPA PSI KU

COLORS: Hunter Green & Cardinal Red NATIONAL FOUNDING: Feb. 19, 1852, Jefferson College (PA) SDSU FOUNDING: February 1996 CHAPTER WEBSITE: pkpsdsu.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: phikappapsi.com MOTTO: United by Friendship, Sustained by Honor, and Led by Truth, We Live and We Flourish CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.79 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** Our founding fathers believed in three key values: personal integrity, academic excellence and respect for the dignity and wellbeing of others. It is our goal to recruit interested members of the San Diego State community who will meet and exceed our values of philanthropy, scholarship and camaraderie, becoming valued additions to our ever-growing brotherhood. The Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity engages men of integrity, further develops their intellect and enhances community involvement. With a legacy built on acceptance and trust, each brother realizes his highest potential through a lifelong experience of service and excellence.

# PHI KAPPA THE<mark>TA</mark>

COLORS: White, Gold, & Cardinal Purple NATIONAL FOUNDING: April 29, 1959 SDSU FOUNDING: 1995 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sdsuphikap.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.phikaps.org MOTTO: Give, Expecting Nothing Thereof CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.85 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** The Phi lota chapter consists of men who are servant leaders on campus and in the community, fulfilling our motto of "Give, Expecting Nothing Thereof" on a daily basis as well as fulfilling our mission to "actively develop men to be effective leaders who passionately serve society, Fraternity and God." Today, the Phi lota Chapter continues to grow at SDSU, welcoming new men each semester to help them accomplish their goals. Our sincere hope is that after four years of membership each man that leaves this chapter has been prepared to serve society as a positive fraternal man.











# SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

COLORS: Royal Purple & Old Gold NATIONAL FOUNDING: March 9, 1856, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa (AL) SDSU FOUNDING: Sept. 1, 1956 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.sae.net MOTTO: Phi Alpha CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.68 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** Sigma Alpha Epsilon strives to give young men the leadership, scholarship, service and social experiences they need to excel in the walls outside their campus and once they graduate. We firmly believe membership is for life. The mission of Sigma Alpha Epsilon is to promote the highest standards of friendship, scholarship and service for our members based upon the ideals set forth by our Founders and as specifically enunciated in "The True Gentleman."

# **IFC CHAPTERS**

# SIGMA PHI EPSILON

COLORS: Purple & Red NATIONAL FOUNDING: Nov. 1, 1901, Richmond (VA) SDSU FOUNDING: Nov. 16, 1947 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sigepcaldelta.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://sigep.org MOTTO: Building Balanced Men CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.04 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** SigEp is one of the largest fraternities in the country. Around 15,000 SigEp undergraduates are on 232 college campuses each year. SigEp was founded with the cardinal principles of Virtue, Diligence and Brotherly Love.











# THETA CHI



COLORS: Military Red & White NATIONAL FOUNDING: April 10, 1856, Norwich University (VT) SDSU FOUNDING: Aug. 31, 2013 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.facebook.com/ThetaChiSDSU NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.thetachi.org MOTTO: An Assisting Hand CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.98 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Theta Chi is one of the oldest men's college fraternities in North America. Founded in 1856, more than 175,000 members have enjoyed the Fraternity's traditions, ideals and fellowship. Founded on the principle of friendship through the mutual assistance of every member, Theta Chi aims to provide its members with an enjoyable and fulfilling collegiate experience that also prepares them for rewarding, successful lives after graduation.

# ZETA BETA TAU

**COLORS:** Blue, White & Gold

NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 29, 1898, New York City (NY) SDSU FOUNDING: March 8, 1988 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.zetabetatausdsu.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.zbt.org MOTTO: A Powerhouse of Excellence CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.584 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Minimum

**PURPOSE:** The Beta Lambda Chapter of Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity is a close knit, committed and hard working group of men who have come together, united by their desire to continually improve themselves, their university and their fraternity for the pursuit of excellence. ZBT was also one of the First National fraternities to abolish the institution of pledging in 1989 as a way to combat and eliminate hazing. We believe that acceptance into our brotherhood should be based on a person's character and on his commitment to excel as an active member of society, university and fraternity, rather than be based upon actions that he is forced to do.





**IFC CHAPTERS** 

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# DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Crimson & Creme NATIONAL FOUNDING: Jan. 13, 1912, Howard University, Washington, D.C. SDSU FOUNDING: May 7, 1977 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://deltasigmatheta.org MOTTO: Intelligence is the Torch of Wisdom CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated

**PURPOSE:** Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated's purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. Since its founding more than 200,000 women have joined the organization. The organization is a sisterhood of predominantly Black,

college educated women. The major programs of the sorority are based upon the organization's Five Point Programmatic Thrust.

# KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY, INC.

COLORS: Crimson & Cream NATIONAL FOUNDING: Jan. 5th, 1911, Indiana University (IN) SDSU FOUNDING: March 26th, 1951 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sandiegokappas. org/#!delta-epsilon/c160 NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.kappaalphapsi1911.com MOTTO: Achievement in Every Field of Human

Endeavor CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.72 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** The core purpose of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated is achievement. We wish to spark within each of our members an everlasting desire to succeed in college and subsequent life. A man of Kappa is a man of distinction, confidence, and ambition. By encouraging high ideals amongst our members, we wish that these morals be used to uplift our fraternity, community, and university.









# PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY, INC.

COLORS: Royal Blue & Pure White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Jan. 9, 1914, Howard University, Washington, D.C. SDSU FOUNDING: CHAPTER WEBSITE: NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.pbs1914.org MOTTO: Culture for Service and Service for Humanity CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.9 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** A Greek letter fraternity truly exemplifies the ideals of brotherhood, scholarship, and service. A organization that recognizes individuals for their merits, rather than family background or affluence... without regard to race, nationality, skin tone or texture of hair. Phi Beta Sigma as a mechanism to deliver services to the general community. Today, Phi Beta Sigma has blossomed into an international organization of leaders.

# SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Royal Blue & Gold NATIONAL FOUNDING: Nov. 12th, 1922, Bulter University (IN) SDSU FOUNDING: June 5th, 1970 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: sgrho1922.org MOTTO: Greater Service, Greater Progress CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.62 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated

**PURPOSE:** Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority's aim is to enhance the quality of life within the community. Public service, leadership development and education of youth are the hallmark of the organization's programs and activities. Sigma Gamma Rho addresses concerns that impact society educationally, civically and economical.







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# ALPHA PHI GAMMA SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Burgundy & Cream NATIONAL FOUNDING: Feb. 1, 1994, California State Polytechnic University (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: April 25, 1998 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sdaphig.org NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.alphaphigamma.org MOTTO: Sigma Alpha Alpha CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.95 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** To bring together all women of different nationalities through the bonds of friendship and sisterhood. The sorority was established to promote service and Asian Awareness to the University and to the community, allowing for all the different nationalities to discover what other cultures had to offer.

# ALPHA PI SIGMA SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Pink & Purple NATIONAL FOUNDING: March 10, 1990, San Diego State University (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: March 10, 1990, San Diego State University (CA) CHAPTER WEBSITE: Not Provided NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.alphapisigma.org MOTTO: Amigas Para Siempre (Friends for Life) CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.39

GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Alpha Pi Sigma's mission to professionally develop women leaders has created an innovative forum for Latina's to give back to the community. Our sisterhood is composed of university & professional diverse women committed towards the empowerment of women & the Latin American community. We do this by providing leadership development, academic enrichment programs, community service & activities geared towards the appreciation, promotion & preservation of our surrounding communities.







ALPHA PSI RHO FRATERNITY, INC.

COLORS: Navy Blue & Gold NATIONAL FOUNDING: March 1, 2000, San Diego State University (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: March 1, 2000, San Diego State University (CA) CHAPTER WEBSITE: Not Provided NATIONAL WEBSITE: Not Provided MOTTO: Always Be Bold and Strong CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.60 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Minimum

**PURPOSE:** The Gentlemen of Alpha Psi Rho live a Lifestyle reminiscent of Renaissance men: one of self-empowerment, innovation for what a Fraternity can be, and care for the community. Being a Gentleman of Alpha Psi Rho is not a part-time occupation—it's a way of living. Fueled by challenge, others' skepticism and a purpose of becoming high-caliber men, Alpha Psi Rho's fire burns forever.

# BETA GAMMA NU FRATERNITY, INC.

COLORS: Brown & Cream NATIONAL FOUNDING: January 15, 1997, University of Southern California (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: February 11, 2011 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.betagammanu.com MOTTO: Pride, Brotherhood, Respect CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.58 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** Beta Gamma Nu is a Greek fraternity that participates in all aspects of college life. Whether it is a social, philanthropic, or professional event, we pride ourselves in getting involved and maximizing our college experience. Beta Gamma Nu is made up of members that are accepting of other people's views and respect their opinions even when it is different from their own and promotes unity within its members by having a strong foundation based on the aspect of family.







# DELTA LAMBDA PHI NATIONAL SOCIAL FRATERNITY

COLORS: Green, Gold, & White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 1986, Washington, D.C. SDSU FOUNDING: 1999 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://dlp.org/alphadelta NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://dlp.org MOTTO: Lambda Men are Making their Presence Known! CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.05 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Not Evaluated

**PURPOSE:** Delta Lambda Phi is a traditional Greek social organization founded by and for a decidedly nontraditional group: gay, bisexual, and progressive men. For over twenty-five years, Delta Lambda Phi has offered these men the opportunity to lead, to grow, and to form lifelong bonds of friendship with other likeminded men. Though it is difficult to adequately describe the Bonds of Brotherhood that are so central to our Fraternity, it is our hope that the material in this section will help give you some idea of what Delta Lambda Phi is about.

# DELTA SIGMA PSI SORORITY

COLORS: Red & Silver NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 12, 1998, San Diego State University (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: Not Provided CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.deltasigmapsi.org/index. php?clD=1 NATIONAL WEBSITE: Not Provided MOTTO: Individually Unique, Together Complete CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.78 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** A sorority focused on scholastic achievement, social interaction, community service, and Asian cultural awareness. We strive to provide college students with opportunities to become involved in their local communities,









bodying an open and diverse environment for all of its members, the sorority strived to break down barriers between the LGBTQ community and the greater community. GRL is the first all-inclusive, college-based sorority with chapters throughout the United States.

# GAMMA ZETA ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.

COLORS: Silver, Black, &White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 3, 1987, Chico State (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: May 31, 1997 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://zetagammas.gweb.io NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://gammas.org MOTTO: Cultivating Leaders, Strengthening Communities CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.65

GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Minimum

PURPOSE: Gamma Zeta Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

experience personal growth, strengthen bonds with family, friends, and new acquaintances, and create lasting memories that they can carry with them throughout their lifetimes. We pride ourselves on strengthening the bonds of friendship and sisterhood.

# GAMMA RHO LAMBDA NATIONAL SORORITY

COLORS: Purple & Black NATIONAL FOUNDING: Aug. 25, 2003, Arizona State University (AZ) SDSU FOUNDING: July 13, 2008 CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://grlsdsu.wordpress.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.gammarholambda.org MOTTO: Truth in Tolerance, Knowledge through Diversity, Bonds of Unity, Strength in Trust CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 3.05 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** The sorority was established as a social support system for lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and alternative lifestyle-friendly female students. Em-





is proud to be the First Latino Interest Fraternity on the West Coast. For two decades we have become a vehicle for creating the Latino Leaders of tomorrow and as an instrument for promoting the development of Latino males in higher education. Realizing the importance of Academic Excellence, we are a fraternity that emphasizes academic programs that aid in the retention, guidance and overall development of students in Higher education so that they may enter the work force with the experience necessary to succeed. Alumni brothers of Gamma Zeta Alpha Fraternity, Inc. have gone on to work in a wide array of professions such as



engineering, law, medicine, government, high-tech, and business fields.

# LAMBDA SIGMA GAMMA SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Green, White, & Red NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 24, 1986, California State University, Sacramento (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: April 24, 1994 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.lambdasigmagamma.org MOTTO: Unity through Sisterhood CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.85 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority, Inc. is an academic, community, social, and multi-cultural sorority. We are a solid network of women in higher education, who have chosen to unite in order to enhance our college experiences. Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority, Inc. was founded with the purpose of creating a support system for women once they have entered the university. We provide our members a family away from home - in order to facilitate the retention of motivat-

ed students. Through the support its' members offer each other, Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority, Inc. has

developed a strong, safe and loving environment where friendships grow, characters build, knowledge is shared, and a multicultural sisterhood is created.

# LAMBDA THETA ALPHA LATIN SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Burgundy & Grey NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 1, 1975, Kean University (NJ) SDSU FOUNDING: Jan. 30, 2005 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://lta.orgsync.com MOTTO: Empowering the Universal Women CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.52 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Silver

**PURPOSE:** Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Incorporated, the first Latina sorority in the nation. Lambda Theta Alpha has contributed to the advancement of all people by helping to produce educated women of many races, ethnicities, and creeds. From 1975 to date, Lambda Theta Alpha





sponsoring events which highlight and celebrate our heritage, participate in educational workshops, and enjoy many social programs.

## NU ALPHA KAPPA FRATERNITY, INC.

COLORS: Red, White, & Bronze NATIONAL FOUNDING: Feb. 26, 1998, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: Feb. 10, 1990 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.naksdsu.org NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://naknet.org MOTTO: Men of Mind, Men of Culture, Men of Pride CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.92 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** "Xinaco" a Nahuatl word describing an educated, amiable individual whose personality and charisma transcends and enlightens all cultures and social classes. The founders chose the Greek letters NAK to enunciate the sound of nac in "Xinaco." This marked the beginning of

has upheld its purpose and mission, each day realizing the Founder's dream - that it may serve as a quintessential trailblazer for all women.

# LAMBDA THETA PHI LATIN FRATERNITY, INC.

COLORS: Brown & White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Dec. 1, 1975, Kean University (NJ) SDSU FOUNDING: April 22, 2012 CHAPTER WEBSITE: lambdasdsu.wix.com/sdsulambdas NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.lambda1975.org MOTTO: Chivalry Above Self CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.72 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** The ideals of this brotherhood are the following: Academic Excellence; Brotherhood; Leadership; Latino Unity; Service. On a daily basis, our brothers live up to these ideals, as set forth by fourteen young Latino men decades ago. Our brothers perform community service, promote our culture by



Nu Alpha Kappa Fraternity, an organization formed on a commitment to "Carnalismo" or Brotherhood, the search for knowledge, and the retention and promotion of culture.





# SIGMA ALPHA ZETA MULTICULTURAL SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Hunter Green, Navy Blue, & White NATIONAL FOUNDING: Oct. 17, 1992, Fresno State (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: Nov. 20, 1999 CHAPTER WEBSITE: sigmaalphazetasdsu.weebly.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: N/A MOTTO: Sisterhood through Education CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.54 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** Sigma Alpha Zeta multicultural sorority was formed to further opportunities for multicultural women in Colleges and Universities throughout California. Since our inception, we have been challenged to hold ourselves to a higher standard of excellence, to become stronger leaders, and to make the most of the opportunities the college experience presents. The members of our sorority are dedicated to academic excellence, personal growth, sisterhood, and

community service.

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

COLORS: Royal Purple & Pure White NATIONAL FOUNDING: April 4, 1986, University of Iowa (IA) SDSU FOUNDING: May 7, 2005 CHAPTER WEBSITE: N/A NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://sigmalambdabeta.com MOTTO: Opportunity for Wisdom, Wisdom for Culture

CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.67 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc. BELIEVES in the principles of fairness, opportunity and in the equality of all men regardless of their race, culture or ethnicity. Our highest goal is to see that all of society can realize the importance of these three principles. In order to achieve this goal, we all strive as both individual brothers and as an international organization to role-model these behaviors and present ourselves in a gentlemanly and educated fashion.









# SIGMA LAMBDA GAMMA NATIONAL SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Shocking Pink & Majestic Purple NATIONAL FOUNDING: April 9, 1990, University of Iowa (IA) SDSU FOUNDING: Jan. 4, 2005 CHAPTER WEBSITE: www.sdsugammas.com NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.sigmalambdagamma.com MOTTO: Culture is Pride, Pride is Success CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.94 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements

**PURPOSE:** Sigma Lambda Gamma strives to be a premier organization committed to providing a mechanism of empowerment to all women. Through a network of nearly 3,000 multicultural sisters from collegiate chapters and alumnae associations, we promote academic excellence and higher education for all women via a dedication and incorporation of the sorority principles – Academics, Community Service, Cultural Awareness, Morals & Ethics, and Social Interaction – in our lives. Recognizing our responsibility to the progression of a positive global community, we stress the importance of morals, ethics, and education in our daily lives so that we serve the needs of our neighbors through a mutual respect and understanding of our varying cultures.

# SIGMA PHI OMEGA

COLORS: Kelly Green & Maize Yellow NATIONAL FOUNDING: 1949, University of So. California (CA)

SDSU FOUNDING: December 18, 1991 CHAPTER WEBSITE: Not Provided NATIONAL WEBSITE: www.sigmaphiomega.com MOTTO: The Reward is in the Doing CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.23 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Did Not Meet Requirements



years. College is a time for new faces, endeavors, and experiences. Among this whirlwind of unfamiliarity, being in a sorority can help brighten your path and put things into perspective. It provides a base for lasting friendships and special memories. Sigma Phi Omega prides itself for its diversity in membership as we embrace the unique qualities and gifts each brings. Our alumni have gone onto successful careers in business, law, medicine, entertainment, and education.





# SIGMA THETA PSI MULTICULTURAL SORORITY, INC.

COLORS: Purple, Black, & Gold NATIONAL FOUNDING: Nov. 13, 1991, San Jose State University (CA) SDSU FOUNDING: Not Provided CHAPTER WEBSITE: www-rohan.sdsu.edu/~stp NATIONAL WEBSITE: Not Provided MOTTO: Only the Strong Survive CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.63 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Our founding mothers strove to share their message of cultural diversity, respect, and compassion with other women. Through unity and sisterhood, our members continue to embrace diverse cultures and excel in their life ambitions. Our founding mothers set forth six values, or pillars, that every sister strives to embody: honesty, loyalty, respect, open-mindedness, leadership, and academic excellence.

# UPSILON KAPPA DELTA MULTICULTURAL SORORITY, INC.

**COLORS:** Forest Green, Maroon, & Navy Blue **NATIONAL FOUNDING:** Dec. 10, 1993, Chico State (CA)

SDSU FOUNDING: April 24, 1998

CHAPTER WEBSITE: http://upsilonkappadeltasdsu. com

NATIONAL WEBSITE: http://upsilonkappadelta. wordpress.com MOTTO: A Sisterhood 2 Tight 2 Break

CHAPTER GPA (FALL 2013): 2.69 GREEK ACCREDITATION STATUS (FALL 2013): Gold

**PURPOSE:** Our mission is to spread multicultural awareness not only to those around us, but to campuses all over as well as offering our services to assist and educate the community we live in. We strive to encourage academic excellence and the furthering of education, provide an example of the ideal multicultural sorority, inform and





teach others of the definition of multiculturalism, provide and sustain a strong sisterhood throughout our lifetime, keep others and ourselves informed of events and issues that concern the community, cooperate with local community organizations in hope of improvement, and be aware of, and take part in social events.

# HOW TO JOIN

All prospective student members, regardless of which process you participate in, must:

- Be regularly enrolled in a minimum of 9 credits at San Diego State University
- Be in good standing (no academic or disciplinary probation)
- Not be placed on probation with the University as a prospective new member or new member, because you will not be eligible for initiation into your chapter
- Not be considered an Extended Studies, American Language Institute or Open University student
- Complete the Pre-Recruitment Education Program (P.R.E.P.) online
- Participate in all required meetings/events in the CPA, IFC, NPHC, or USFC processes for joining (see details below)

#### NPHC MEMBERSHIP INTAKE

#### All National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) chapters conduct a process called "intake".

Intake is conducted by individual chapters at various times of the year. Intake may include, but is not limited to, an informational meeting, application process, interview, and an educational process. Involvement of both current chapter members and graduates who are alumni of the chapter is common.

It is important to note, most NPHC chapters at SDSU do not take new members who are in their first semester of college; some do not allow new members to join until one full academic year.

Individuals interested in NPHC organizations or



participating in the membership intake process should complete the Prospective New Member Interest form on the Greek Life website and you will be contacted directly about upcoming intake activities.

#### Intake Tips – Do's and Don'ts



- » Ask chapters questions regarding:
  - GPA requirements
  - Community service involvement
  - Campus involvement of active members
  - Time commitment of intake process
  - Time commitment as an active member
- » Research all national organizations online to learn as much as you can and know chapters vary campus to campus.
- » Attend events and Yard Shows/Step Shows in the fall and spring semesters!
- » Get involved in other activities on campus – potential members are more attractive to organizations when they are involved!
- » Practice discretion when showing/discussing your interest in a particular chapter.

## DO NOT

- » Do the organizations hand sign or call
  those are reserved only for active and alumni members
- » Stereotype chapters based on things you've heard or seen elsewhere
- » Behave in any way that could result in academic or disciplinary probation – this will automatically disqualify you from being eligible for membership

#### **USFC RECRUITMENT**

#### IFC RECRUITMENT



#### **USFC & IFC SEMI-STRUCTURED RECRUITMENT**

# The United Sorority and Fraternity Council (USFC) and the Interfraternity Council (IFC) host a semi-structured recruitment processes.

- » USFC hosts the USFC Recruitment BBQ and Chapter Showcase which allows prospective members to meet active members from all USFC chapters and learn about the unique aspects of each chapter in the Council. Individual chapters then host their own events which prospective members can chose to participate in or not.
- » IFC hosts the IFC Recruitment BBQ, which is a chance for prospective members to meet active members. The Chapter Showcase is a separate event in which chapters show videos and give brief information about their chapter to prospective members; this event is mandatory for all prospective members to attend. Chapters then host informal events for prospective members to attend. Typically as chapter events become more formal they will be by invitation only. The final Council hosted event is IFC Bid Day and is a time when prospective members officially receive and accept or deny an invitation to join an IFC chapter.

If you cannot attend any Council hosted events, but are still interested in joining, please be sure to complete the Prospective Member Interest Form on the Greek Life website and you will be contacted directly about upcoming recruitment activities.

For specific dates, times, and locations check the Greek Life Google calendar on the Greek Life website.

#### Recruitment Tips - Do's and Don'ts

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#### Ask chapters questions regarding:

- » GPA requirements
- » Community service involvement
- » Campus involvement of active members
- » Time commitment of new member process
- » Time commitment as an active member
- » Leadership opportunities
- » Academic/mentor programs
- » Dues

- » Stereotype chapters based on things you've heard or seen elsewhere
- » Behave in any way that could result in academic or disciplinary probation – this will automatically disqualify you from being eligible for membership

DO NOT

#### **CPA FULLY-STRUCTURED FORMAL RECRUITMENT**

#### The College Panhellenic Association (CPA)

hosts a fully-structured formal recruitment process. To participate in College Panhellenic Association formal recruitment there is a fee of \$60.00 (early bird) or \$90.00 if registered after 11:59 pm, August 15.

The CPA formal recruitment process is a schedule of four consecutive days of chapter events to attend each day. Prospective members register online and pay the recruitment fee before attending CPA Formal Recruitment Orientation (FRO), which is mandatory for all prospective members to attend. At FRO you will learn all about the process and the expectations for your participation! If you cannot attend FRO or any recruitment events, it is extremely important you complete the Absence Form located on the CPA website.

For specific dates, times, and locations check the Greek Life calendar on the Greek Life website.

#### **CPA Mutual Selection Process**

Mutual selection process simply means after each day of recruitment events you must choose which chapters you connect with most based on the chapter events you attend each day. Likewise, the chapters must do the same based on a limited number they can ask back the following day of recruitment and the women who attended their events each day.

Through this method, both the potential new member and chapter have input in the matching process.

If you have a difficult time selecting during formal recruitment, your Rho Chi is a resource you can use to talk through your decision with. See below for details regarding Rho Chi.

During the course of formal recruitment, CPA cannot guarantee every woman will be matched with their top choice or any chapter by the end of the process. This may happen for a number of reasons, including some women decide Greek Life is not for them, some women do not receive invitations from their top choice chapters, etc.

#### CPA Recruitment Counselors (Rho Chis)

Recruitment Counselors (Rho Chis) are a team of active sorority members who have applied to serve on the CPA side of recruitment in order to guide potential new members during the process of formal recruitment. Each Rho Chi had to apply, interview, and participate in training to serve in this role.

As a potential new member you will be added to a group and have one main Rho Chi who is your first resource on any questions you have before and during the formal recruitment process. Rho Chis are trained to be unbiased, which is why CPA requires her to keep her chapter affiliation a secret and not have contact with her chapter members until Bid Day.

On the first day of recruitment, you will be in a large group with up to three Rho Chis and they will escort you to each chapter. On the days following your Rho Chi will give you your schedule and you will walk to each chapter event alone or with someone else in your group with a similar schedule.

My Rho Chi's Name is\_\_\_\_\_

Our Meeting Place is\_



#### Formal Recruitment Attire

The weather in San Diego ranges between 70° F and 100° F during September. The most important thing about deciding what to wear is that you are comfortable and your footwear is easy to walk in. Each day of formal recruitment you will be walking to each chapter house and may be walking quite a distance.

Typically, the recruitment attire chapter members wear stays consistent-it may get a bit dressier each day, but since they do not have to walk outside, they may be wearing heels during recruitment. This is not something you should feel like you need to do! On Preference Night, many Potential New Members choose to wear a dress or skirt and heels or wedges since it's a shorter day.

#### **CPA POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER'S BILL OF RIGHTS**

National Panhellenic Council's Manual of Information, 19th Edition, illustrates prospective members rights during the formal recruitment process.

- » The right to be treated as an individual
- » The right to be fully informed about the recruitment process
- » The right to ask questions and receive true and objective answers from recruitment counselors and members
- » The right to be treated with respect
- » The right to be treated as a capable and mature person without being patronized
- » The right to ask how and why and receive straight answers
- » The right to have and express opinions to recruitment counselors

- » The right to have inviolable confidentiality when sharing information with recruitment counselors
- » The right to make informed choices without undue pressure from others
- The right to be fully informed about the binding agreements implicit in the membership acceptance signing
- » The right to make one's own choice and decision and accept full responsibility for the results of that decision
- » The right to have a positive, safe and enriching recruitment and new member experience

#### What Every Potential New Member Needs to Know About CPA FORMAL RECRUITMENT

- The College Panhellenic Association will provide you with all the information you need to know about what to expect during formal recruitment at CPA PNM Orientation.
- □ If you have a question, please ask!
- Some events will have more potential new members in attendance than others, and this is no reflection on a chapter.
- You must attend all events for which you receive an invitation.
- □ Failure to attend an event may jeopardize your ability to receive invitations.
- Being a legacy of a group does not ensure membership in that group.
- Accurate financial information regarding membership is included in this guidebook and will be discussed during formal recruitment events.
- □ Good scholarship is important to all groups within the CPA. Potential new members must be in good standing (not on academic probation) in order to participate in recruitment and be eligible to receive and invitation to join and then be initiated. The average grade requirement to join is between 2.3 - 2.5. It is important to understand that if your GPA is lower than the average chapter requirements, your opportunities for joining decrease.
- □ All CPA groups have policies against hazing.
- No chapter member may promise or imply the promise of a bid (invitation to join). This is a recruitment infraction for the chapter and should be reported to your Rho Chi, a member of the CPA Executive Board, or a CPA advisor immediately.
- You are expected to act politely and respectfully when attending a chapter recruitment event.
  Our community is smaller than it may seem; maintaining positive relations with everyone



only helps our Greek community remain strong.

- You should expect to be treated politely and with respect by all chapter members, Rho Chis, CPA Executive Board members, alumnae, and advisors.
- Every woman attending a preference event must appear on that fraternity's bid list, but this does not ensure an invitation to join that particular fraternity, because recruitment is a mutual selection process.
- You must be certain you understand the Membership Recruitment Acceptance Binding Agreement (MRABA) before you sign it after attending your final event on Preference Night.
- You may choose not to join a group and therefore not sign the MRABA, but you must notify your Rho Chi immediately and discuss your decision with a CPA advisor.
- You may choose to limit or list only one choice on your MRABA or may list all the groups where you attended a Preference Night event.
- You must understand that if you list a group on your MRABA, are matched to that group and receive an invitation to membership, you are bound to that group for one calendar year.
- Men and alcohol are not permitted during recruitment event or any activities of/associated with Bid Day.

# TIPS for participating in CPA Formal Recruitment

- KEEP AN OPEN MIND
- Attend events with the desire to MEET NEW PEOPLE
- Try to LEARN SOMETHING NEW about a chapter at each event
- REFLECT ON YOUR VALUES and try to ask questions based on what you are looking for in a sorority
- Strive to help the chapter members you meet FEEL COMFORTABLE – they often feel just as nervous as you might feel
- MAKE YOUR DECISION FOR YOU this is your lifelong membership, not anyone else
- A woman who comes with her heart set on pledging a particular sorority is being unfair to herself – if this is you or someone else going through this process with you, encourage them to KEEP AN OPEN MIND

- If you like all the chapters you attend remember, IT'S A MUTUAL SELECTION PROCESS
- CHOOSE A SORORITY in which you feel most like yourself when you are with them
- TRY NOT TO COMPARE CHAPTERS by which is better than another – each chapter is unique and offers something to the women who are current members, otherwise they wouldn't be there
- TAKE NOTES after leaving each party about who you talked to, how you felt during the event, and any other information you learned during the event
- If you attend the wrong chapter event by mistake or have any issues during recruitment, FIND A RECRUITMENT COUNSELOR immediately – you will not be in trouble



# COSTS TO JOIN FRATERNITIES

CHAPTER	NEW MEMBER FEES/DUE	ACTIVE LIVE-IN DUES	ACTIVE LIVE-OUT DUES
Alpha Epsilon Pi	\$675.00/semester	\$500.00/semester	\$600.00/semester
Alpha Psi Rho	\$100.00/semester	N/A	\$200.00/semester
Beta Gamma Nu	\$120.00/semester	N/A	\$200.00/semester
Delta Lambda Phi	\$180.00 fee	N/A	\$180.oo/semester + \$10.00/month
Delta Sigma Phi	\$1,010.00/semester	\$650.00/semester	\$650.00/semester
Delta Upsilon	\$525.00/semester	\$1,275.00/semester (dues & rent)	\$575.00/semester
Gamma Zeta Alpha	\$150.00/semester	N/A	\$150.00/semester
Kappa Alpha	\$350.00 fee + \$550.00/semester	N/A	\$550.00/semester
Kappa Alpha Psi	\$1,045-1,160.00 fee	N/A	N/A
Kappa Sigma	\$370.00/semester	\$480.00/semester + \$600/month (dues & rent)	\$480.00/semester
Lambda Theta Phi	\$350.00/year	N/A	\$250.00/year
Nu Alpha Kappa	\$100.00 fee	N/A	\$200.00/semester
Phi Beta Sigma	\$755.00 fee	N/A	N/A
Phi Delta Theta	\$680.00/semester	\$2,410.00/semester	\$690.00/semester
Phi Gamma Delta	\$525.00/semester	\$500.00/semester	\$600.00/semester
Phi Kappa Psi	\$600.00/semester	\$600.00/semester	\$675.00/semester
Phi Kappa Theta	\$725.00/semester	\$725.00/semester	\$725.00/semester
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	\$800.00 fee	\$800.00 fee	\$800.00 fee
Sigma Lambda Beta	\$189.00 fee	N/A	\$165.50/semester
Sigma Phi Epsilon	\$425.00/semester + 275.00/fee	\$675.00/semester	\$675.00/semester
Theta Chi	\$730.00/semester	\$600.00/semester	\$675.00/semester
Zeta Beta Tau	\$135.00/mo. + 310.00 fee	\$135.00/mo. + \$600.00 rent/month	\$155.00/month

#### SORORITIES

CHAPTER	NEW MEMBER FEES / DUES	ACTIVE LIVE-IN DUES	ACTIVE / LIVE-OUT DUES
Alpha Chi Omega	\$1,083.00/semester	\$3,708.00/semester (dues, rent & food)	\$699.00/semester
Alpha Epsilon Phi	\$775.00/semester	N/A	\$575.00/semester
Alpha Gamma Delta	\$1,300.00/semester	N/A	\$940.00/semester
Alpha Phi	\$1,502.41/semester	\$2,086.50/semester	\$907.50/semester
Alpha Phi Gamma	\$200.00/semester	N/A	\$222.00/semester
Alpha Pi Sigma	Not Provided	N/A	Not Provided
Delta Gamma	\$2,500.00/year	\$8,000.00/year (dues, rent & food)	\$2,193.00/year
Delta Sigma Psi	\$180.00/semester	N/A	\$210.00/semester
Delta Sigma Theta	Not Provided	N/A	Not Provided
Delta Zeta	\$185.00/month	\$1,260.00/month	\$165.00/month
Gamma Phi Beta	1,388.00/semester	\$3,684.00/semester (dues, rent & food)	\$1,084.00/semester
Gamma Rho Lambda	\$150.00/semester	N/A	\$200.00/semester
Kappa Delta	\$215.00 fee	\$675.00/month	\$105.00/month
Lambda Sigma Gamma	N/A	N/A	\$30.00/month
Lambda Theta Alpha	\$380.00/semester	N/A	\$130.00/semester
Pi Beta Phi	\$1,119.00/semester	\$4,164.00/semester	\$864.00/semester
Sigma Alpha Zeta	\$80.00/semester	N/A	\$80.00/semester
Sigma Gamma Rho	\$1,200.00 fee/2 years	N/A	\$100.00/semester
Sigma Lambda Gamma	\$265.00 fee	N/A	\$110.00/semester
Sigma Phi Omega	\$40.00/month	N/A	\$35.00/month
Sigma Theta Psi	\$40.00/semester	N/A	\$150.00/semester
Upsilon Kappa Delta	125.00/semester	N/A	\$200.00/semester

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# **GREEK ALPHABET**

<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>D</b> elta (del-tah)
Alpha (al-fah)	Beta (bay-tah))	Gamma (Gam-ah)	
Epsilon (ep-si-lon)	Z	H	<b>O</b>
	Zeta (zay-tah))	Eta (ay-tah)	Thata (thay-tah)
lota (eye-o-tah	<b>K</b> Kappa (cap-ah)	<b>A</b> Lambda (lam-duh)	Mu (mew)
<b>N</b> Nu (new)	Xi (zeye)	Omicron (ohm-e-cron)	Pi (pie)
A	<b>P</b>	Tau (taw)	<b>Y</b>
Rho (row)	Sigma (sig-mah		Upsilon (yoop-si-lon)
Phi (fie)	Chi (ki)	<b>W</b> Psi (sigh)	<b>Q</b> Omega (o-mega)

# **GREEK GLOSSARY**

Certain terms may be used more by CPA, IFC, NPHC or USFC members than others.

**ADVISOR –** alumnus member who serves as a resource to chapters and act as a liaison between alums and collegiate members

**ALUMNI/ALUMNAE** – initiated member of a fraternity/sorority who has graduated from college

- ALUMNUS (MALE)
- ALUMNI (MEN)
- ALUMNA (FEMALE)
- ALUMNAE (WOMEN)
- ALUM (ABBREVIATION)

**BADGE/PIN** – given and wore over the heart at all official functions with at least business attire by initiated members of the organization

**BID** – A formal invitation to join a particular IFC fraternity/CPA sorority extended by a chapter

**BID DAY –** The last day of recruitment in which new members receive bids to join a particular IFC fraternity/CPA sorority

**BIG/LITTLE (LIL')** – Terms used for mentors assigned between new members and actives. The active members are typically charged with guiding new members through their new member period and initiation.

**CALL** – A yell used mostly by NPHC organizations (although some NIC, NPC and local orgs have calls as well) to promote pride in their organization and greet brothers/sisters. Non-members are not permitted to use another organization's call.

**CHAPTER** – A small group of a larger organization, regional or Inter/National headquarters, typically designated by a specific Greek name established at a University or college.

**COLLEGIAN/COLLEGIATE** – an initiated member of a fraternity or sorority currently in college

**DRY –** Term typically referring to a place that is designated as "alcohol-free" including a fra-

ternity which does not permit alcohol on their chapter house premises and may not allow the organization to host a party involving alcohol. Fraternities can be dry at the Inter/National level or chapter level. Sororities each have different levels of "dry". For example, one may allow the sorority to attend a function hosted by a non-dry fraternity, while another sorority may not.

**DUES** – monetary cost of membership in a fraternity/sorority; fees are used to cover the costs of operation, formal events, social activities, and other events, depending on the organization

**EXPANSION/EXTENSION** – process of an organization beginning a new chapter of the organization at a college or university

**GREEK** – applied to students who are members affiliated with Greek organizations

**HQ/HEADQUARTERS** – The central office of the Regional/Inter/National Greek organization of a particular fraternity/sorority. These offices are responsible for making policies for the organization that are meant to be implemented through all of its collegiate chapters. It is most accurate to use the term "headquarters" as opposed to "nationals" as many organizations are international with chapters in the U.S.A. and Canada

**HOUSE DIRECTOR –** A person hired to live in the chapter house. Responsibilities vary per chapter.

**INFORMATIONAL –** a meeting held by a chapter for prospective members who are seeking general information about the organization

**INTAKE –** The membership selection process for historically African-American sororities and fraternities

**INITIATE –** An undergraduate who has been initiated into life-long membership

**INITIATION CEREMONY/CROSSING –** A process during which new members receive lifelong membership privileges into the organization they have chosen to be a part of. This is typically and formal, ceremonial type event where active member of the group are also present. Events are private and different for all organizations. Culturally-based and NPHC organizations use the term "crossing". Chapters initiate/cross members at various times.

**LEGACY** – A potential new member who is the son/daughter/brother/sister of an active/ alum member of the organization. Each organization has its own definition of a "legacy" and some organizations also include grandchildren or step children. Some organizations also dictate that a "legacy" potential new member is invited to attend the next round of formal Panhellenic recruitment. However, legacies are not guaranteed a bid from the organization they are a legacy to, nor are they required to select the organization as one of their choices during the recruitment process. An in-house legacy is potential new member who has a sibling who is currently a collegian in the organization.

**LINE BROTHERS/SISTERS (LBS/ LSS)** – individuals who are members of the same intake class

**MEMBERSHIP INTAKE CHAIR** – overseer of the membership intake process

**NEOPHYTE (NEO)** – the newest members of an organization; typically designated as such until another intake process occurs

**NEW MEMBER –** student who has accepted the bid or invitation for membership of a Greek organization but has not yet been initiated

**NIC** – stands for North American Interfraternity Conference and is the national governing body of SDSU's IFC community

**NPC –** stands for National Panhellenic Conference and is the national governing body of SDSU's CPA community

**NPHC –** stands for National Pan-Hellenic Council, governs member organizations of the NPHC chapters at SDSU

**PHILANTHROPY –** Refers to either a community service and/ or fundraising project sponsored by a chapter or the non-profit organization in which an organization has specified as it's official "philanthropy" signifying a special relationship and desire to give (time/money) to the organization, sometimes officially named by the inter/national organization.

**PROBATE/COMING OUT** – a show used to introduce new members of the organization

**PROSPECTIVE/POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER** – A college student not affiliated with a fraternity/sorority who is eligible and shows interest in joining by attending recruitment/intake activities. The term is often abbreviated to PNM. **RECRUITMENT –** Organized effort to meet potential new members to join a chapter

**RECRUITMENT COUNSELOR** 

(RHO CHI) – Active SDSU sorority member who serves on the CPA side of recruitment in order to guide Potential New Members during the process of formal recruitment.

**RITUAL –** A secret ceremony of a Greek organization performed by active fraternity/sorority members that is prescribed and endorsed by the chapters' headquarters. The document containing the rituals and elements therein are sacred to each fraternity/sorority. Only initiated members may be privy to rituals.

**SOROR/FRAT** – term used to identify members of the same sorority/fraternity

**SPECIAL/SPESH** – a mentoring relationship between a new member and an established chapter member generally selected while the new member is going through the intake process

**STEP –** a series of complex, synchronous, and precise rhythmic body movements performed to the tune of stomps, songs, or chants created by organization members. A Step Show hosts all members of NPHC chapters from anywhere doing step/stoll.

**YARD –** all members of NPHC chapters at the University. A Yard Show hosts only members of NPHC chapters at the University doing step/stroll.



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