

FRANKLIN COLLEGE



2022-2023

GREEK LIFE CONTACTS

Ernest C. Evans, M.S.Ed
Director of Student Involvement and Greek Life
EEvans@FranklinCollege.edu

317-738-8091

Hannah Henderson
Vice President of Recruitment
Hannah.henderson@FranklinCollege.edu

Kody Bonds
Vice President of IFC Recruitment
Kody.bonds@FranklinCollege.edu

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

www.npcwomen.org

www.nicindy.org

www.franklincollege.edu/recruitment

www.thesororitylife.com

www.fraternityinfo.com

www.hazingprevention.org

TABLE OF CONTENTS

BASIC INFORMATION

Greek Glossary and Alphabet	3-4
Non-Hazing Statement	5

PANHELLENIC SORORITIES

What is Panhellenic?	6
Recruitment Schedule Registration	7
Information and FAQs Potential	8
New Member Bill of Rights Chapter	9
Profiles	10-12

IFC FRATERNITIES

What is IFC?	13
Recruitment Schedule Registration	14
Information and FAQs	15
IFC Code of Conduct	16
Chapter Profiles	17-21

HELPFUL INFORMATION

The Value of Greek Membership	22
Scholarship and Academics	23
Financial Transparency	23
Parent Information	24

IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME

GREEK LIFE GLOSSARY

ACTIVE

An initiated member of a chapter who has not yet graduated.

BID

A formal invitation of membership to a fraternity or sorority.

BID DAY

A day or evening hosted by each council where formal invitations of membership are distributed to potential new members.

BIG/LITTLE

Pairings of mentors (initiated members) with mentees (new members) in a fraternity or sorority.

CHAPTER

The local branch of an inter/national organization. Each fraternity and sorority at Franklin College are chapters of a larger inter/national organization.

CHAPTER HOUSE

For the men, this is the house that some of the chapter members live in. Currently, three of five fraternities at Franklin College have chapter houses.

DUES

The membership fees for joining a fraternity or sorority; generally covers chapter operations, events, activities, apparel, insurance, house/suite maintenance and more.

GREEK WEEK

A week-long competition in the spring dedicated to fraternal values and celebrating the accomplishments of the Greek community.

HEADQUARTERS, EXECUTIVE OFFICE OR "NATIONALS"

A term referring to the central organization of a given fraternity or sorority.

IFC

The Interfraternity Council; governing body of the five men's fraternities, which is a part of the North-American Interfraternity Conference.

INITIATION

The formal ceremony through which a new member becomes an active member of the chapter.

LEGACY

A daughter/son, sister/brother or granddaughter/son of an initiated member of a fraternity or sorority; each organization has its own definition of and invitation policies regarding legacies.

NEW MEMBER

Formerly referred to as a pledge, a new member is an uninitiated member of a fraternity or sorority.

IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME GREEK LIFE GLOSSARY

PANHELLENIC

The College Panhellenic Council; governing body of the three women's sororities, which is a part of the National Panhellenic Conference.

PHILANTHROPY

A non-profit organization that each Greek chapter at Franklin College supports.

POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER (PNM)

A student who has not joined a fraternity or sorority yet; alternatively, a student going through the recruitment process.

RECRUITMENT

A period of time during which bids are extended to PNMs. This can occur in the fall or occasionally in the spring.

RHO GAMMA

For women, a recruitment guide who assists PNMs through the primary recruitment process.

RITUAL

A sacred or inspirational ceremony used to inspire and educate members about the values of the organization.

SUITE

The space designated for Franklin College's sorority chapters and one fraternity. This is not a living space, but a space for meeting and conducting chapter business.

GREEK ALPHABET

Αα ALPHA [a] άλφα	Ββ BETA [b] βήτα	Γγ GAMMA [g] γάμμα	Δδ DELTA [d] δέλτα	Εε EPSILON [e] έ ψιλόν	Ζζ ZETA [dz] ζήτα
Ηη ETA [e-] ήτα	Θθ THETA [eʰ] θήτα	Ιι IOTA [i] ιώτα	Κκ KAPPA [k] κάππα	Λλ LAMBDA [l] λάμβδα	Μμ MU [m] μυ
Νν NU [n] νυ	Ξξ XI [ks] ξεί	Οο OMICRON [o] ὀ μικρόν	Ππ PI [p] πί	Ρρ RHO [r] ῥω	Σσς SIGMA [s] σίγμα
Ττ TAU [t] ταυ	Υυ UPSILON [u] ύ ψιλόν	Φφ PHI [pʰ] φεί	Χχ CHI [kʰ] χεί	Ψψ PSI [ps] ψεί	Ωω OMEGA [o-] ὦ μέγα



NON-HAZING STATEMENT

No chapter or individual shall conduct hazing activities. Franklin College has a zero tolerance policy for hazing. Franklin College takes all allegations of hazing as a serious matter. Additionally, all inter/national fraternities and sororities have non hazing statements and policies and treat these issues with the utmost level of seriousness.

Hazing is defined, per the Franklin College Student Handbook, as:

Hazing is defined as an act that, as an explicit or implicit condition for initiation to, admission into, affiliation with, or continued membership in a group or organization could be seen by a reasonable person as endangering the physical health of an individual or as causing mental distress to an individual through, for example, humiliating, intimidating, or demeaning treatment; destroys or removes public or private property; involves the consumption of alcohol, other drugs, or other substances; or violates any of the policies of Franklin College. It is not a defense to an allegation of hazing that the expressed or implied consent of an individual was obtained. In addition to this policy, NCAA student athletes must follow the hazing policies and guidelines set forth by the NCAA, HCAC, and Franklin College athletics department. When allegations of violations of this policy are received, the group or organization, as well as an individual, will be subject to adjudication.

To report any allegations of hazing, you may contact the Director of Student Involvement and Greek Life, Campus Security, or any campus official.

For more information on what colleges and fraternal organizations are doing to combat hazing, visit www.hazingprevention.org.

WHAT IS PANHELLENIC?

Franklin College's Panhellenic Council is the governing body for the three National Panhellenic Conference sororities on our campus. Total membership for our Panhellenic community is nearly 200 women. The Council is made up of eight executive officers and three chapter delegates whose duty is to keep all three chapters connected and united, to enforce NPC guidelines, and to plan and supervise the recruitment process. For more information about the National Panhellenic Conference, visit npcwomen.org.



WHAT DO SORORITY WOMEN STAND FOR?

"We, as Undergraduate Members of women's fraternities, stand for good scholarship, for guarding of good health, for maintenance of fine standards, and for serving, to the best of our ability, our college community. Cooperation for furthering fraternity life, in harmony with its best possibilities, is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities. We, as Fraternity Women, stand for service through the development of character, inspired by the close contact and deep friendship of individual fraternity and Panhellenic life. The opportunity for wide and wise human service, through mutual respect and helpfulness, is the tenet by which we strive to live."

-The Panhellenic Creed

PANHELLENIC RECRUITMENT

The Panhellenic Council utilizes a fully structured recruitment process to place potential new members into their new chapters. Sorority recruitment is a mutual selection process that is designed for you to meet sorority members, ask questions, define membership requirements, financial obligations, and time commitments. All new students are encouraged to participate in the sorority recruitment process. There is no obligation to join an organization at the end of the process and it is a great way to build new connections at Franklin College. The tentative schedule for Panhellenic Recruitment is outlined below.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve, please recognize that schedule changes and adjustments may need to take place for the safety of our members and potential new members. All women registered for recruitment will be informed of any schedule changes.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 AT 7 P.M. - SORORITY RECRUITMENT WORKSHOP

What happens? On this day, you will learn more about Panhellenic recruitment weekend, hear more information about each sorority, receive your recruitment t-shirt and meet your Rho Gamma group.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 AT 6 P.M. - SISTERHOOD OPEN HOUSE

What happens? On this day, you will meet with all three sororities. You may be asked questions about your high school involvement, what you hope to gain by joining a sorority, and why you are interested in sorority life. Each chapter will tell you more about their values, philanthropy, and sisterhood.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AT 6 P.M. - PHILANTHROPY NIGHT

What happens? On this day, you will learn more about chapters' local and national philanthropic efforts. Your conversations will be centered around service and philanthropy. You may be asked questions about what leadership and philanthropic opportunities you hope to gain by joining a sorority. You may attend up to three sororities on this day.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 AT 6 P.M. - PREFERENCE NIGHT

What happens? This is the final round of sorority recruitment and typically has a more serious tone. Chapters may hold ceremonies to introduce you to their values and discuss the impact that their sorority has had on their lives. You may attend up to two sororities and will decide which chapter(s) you would want to call your home.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 AT 10 A.M. - BID DAY

What happens? On this day, women receiving invitations to membership will be delivered their bids. Bid Day activities vary by chapter, but every chapter plans fun activities for the purpose of meeting and getting to know your new sisters.

SORORITY RECRUITMENT REGISTRATION

Sorority Recruitment registration is now open! Any student who plans to participate in sorority recruitment must [sign up for Sorority Recruitment](#). Registration takes approximately 10 minutes. There is a registration fee of \$10 which must be paid online at the conclusion of completing your form. The registration fee helps the Panhellenic Council pay for the recruitment software and cost of recruitment events. Here are some quick tips for making registration a smooth process:

- Have your high school/college academic and involvement information ready.
- Be as thorough as possible with your involvement in high school/college with clubs, volunteer work, and extracurricular activities.
- Be sure to have a picture ready for upload. No worries - this just helps the sororities put a face with your name. Make sure you are the only person in the photo.
- If you have any women in your family who are members of a sorority, be sure to have their information, too. After you register, write the sorority recruitment dates in your calendar.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I participate in recruitment as a sophomore, junior or senior?

Of course! Your class standing does not matter to the chapters. It is actually common at Franklin College for women to wait until their sophomore, junior or even senior year to participate in recruitment. Every woman will be treated fairly with the same opportunity to join.

Does everyone get a bid?

Sorority recruitment is a mutual selection process. Every effort is made to provide opportunities for involvement to any woman who is interested in the sorority experience. However, the Panhellenic Council is unable to guarantee that each participant will be matched to a sorority during the process. Typically, approximately +90% of women who participate in sorority recruitment end up joining a sorority at the end of the process.

Do I have to dress a certain way?

No! We encourage and ask women to wear what makes them feel most comfortable and authentic. Our sororities are places where you can be yourself and dress the way you choose. Panhellenic has created this [Pinterest page](#) to give potential new members an idea of how to dress their best in their own style.

I am a student-athlete and we have a scheduled game/away weekend OR I have to miss or partially miss a night of recruitment. Can I still participate?

Yes! If you can attend at least the first or second evening of recruitment, you may still be eligible to receive a bid from a sorority. Each sorority has plenty of student-athletes, so chapters tend to be understanding of these conflicts. During PNM Orientation, you will complete a form that will notify Panhellenic Council of any potential absences that will be communicated to each sorority.



POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER **BILL OF RIGHTS**

Sorority is a social experience based on the fundamental right of free people to form voluntary associations, and sorority membership is a social experience arrived at by mutual choice and selection. The mutual selection choice is only as effective as is factual information available; therefore, all College Panhellenics shall be encouraged to adopt the Potential New Member's Bill of Rights.

- 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 NPC Unanimous Agreements implicit in the membership recruitment acceptance binding agreement (MRABA) signing process
- 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

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT ACCEPTANCE BINDING AGREEMENT (MRABA)

NPC member organizations want every potential new member to be informed about her options for joining a sorority. At the completion of the primary recruitment period, all women are asked to sign a membership recruitment acceptance agreement (MRABA). In order to receive a bid from a sorority on campus, the MRABA must be signed. If a potential new member wishes to withdraw from recruitment and not join a sorority at the conclusion of recruitment, she does so utilizing the MRABA. The MRABA is used on every campus that has NPC member organizations and can be found [here](#).

CHAPTER PROFILE

DELTA DELTA DELTA

"Let us steadfastly love one another."

Nickname: Tri Delta

Founding Date: November 27, 1888

Symbol: Pine Tree, Trident

Mascot: Dolphin

Colors: Silver, Gold and Cerulean Blue

Flower: Pansy

Philanthropy: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Signature Events: Delta House of Pancakes (DHOP)

Scholarship Requirement: 2.8

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$743

Initiated Member Fees (per semester following initiation): \$350



Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 3.10

Chapter Standards Scorecard:

- Excellence in: Chapter Operations, Member Development, Campus Involvement, Alumni Relations, Inter/national Organization Relations, Scholarship, New Member Education
- Achievement in: Philanthropy and Community Service



CHAPTER PROFILE

PI BETA PHI

"To promote friendship, develop women of intellect and integrity, cultivate Leadership potential and enrich lives through community service."

Nickname: Pi Phi

Founding Date: April 28, 1867

Symbol: Golden Arrow

Mascot: Angel

Colors: Wine and Silver Blue

Flower: Wine Carnation

Philanthropy: Read > Lead > Achieve

Signature Events: Lips for Literacy, Color Me Literacy 5K

Scholarship Requirement: 2.6

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$609

Initiated Member Fees (per semester following initiation): \$347



Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 3.43

Chapter Standards Scorecard:

- Excellence in: Member Development, Campus Involvement, Inter/national Organization Relations, Scholarship
- Achievement in: Chapter Operations, Recruitment and Retention, Philanthropy and Community Service, Alumni Relations, New Member Education



CHAPTER PROFILE

ZETA TAU ALPHA

"Seek the Noblest."

Nickname: Zeta

Founding Date: October 15, 1898

Symbol: 5 Point Crown, Strawberries

Colors: Turquoise Blue and Steel Gray

Flower: White Violet

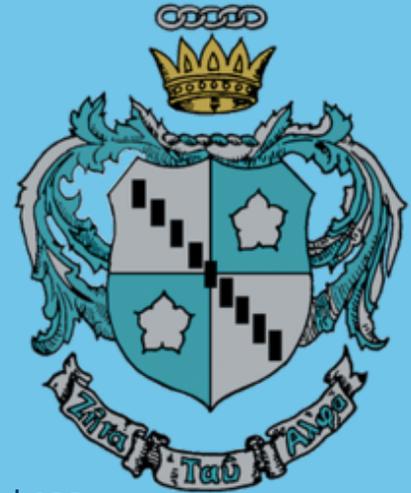
Philanthropy: Breast Cancer Education and Awareness

Signature Events: Big Man On Campus, Dog Dash 5K

Scholarship Requirement: 2.5

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$595

Initiated Member Fees (per semester following initiation): \$402



Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 3.47

Chapter Standards Scorecard:

- Excellence in: Campus Involvement, Alumni Relations, Inter/national Organization Relations, Scholarship
- Achievement in: Chapter Operations, Recruitment and Retention, Member Development, Philanthropy and Community Service, New Member Education



WHAT IS THE INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL?

Franklin College's Interfraternity Council (IFC) is the governing body for the five fraternities on our campus. The IFC is a chartered IFC of the North-American Interfraternity Conference. The IFC is made up of seven executive officers and ten chapter delegates whose duty is to keep all five chapters connected and united, to enforce NIC guidelines, and to plan and supervise the fraternity recruitment process. For more information about the North-American Interfraternity Conference, visit nicindy.org.



WHAT DO FRATERNITY MEN STAND FOR?

"We, the Interfraternity Council, exist to promote the shared interests and values of our member fraternities: leadership, service, brotherhood, and scholarship. We believe in Fraternity and that the shared values of Fraternity drive the IFC to create better communities, better chapters and better men. We work to advance the academic mission of the host institution, to enable fraternal organizations to grow and thrive through collaboration and teamwork, to provide an outlet for self-governance and accountability, and to model and teach ethical leadership. In a spirit of mutual support and betterment, we, the men of the Interfraternity Council, pledge to elevate the Ritual and the values of the member organizations."

-The IFC Creed

FRATERNITY RECRUITMENT

The Interfraternity Council (IFC) uses a semi-structured recruitment process where membership offers, or “bids”, may be distributed any time in the academic year following the fourth week of classes. Each fraternity plans its own recruitment events and conversations leading up to the fourth week of classes and will distribute bids starting on September 18, 2022. The IFC will plan a “rush week” in which all chapters will host open-invite recruitment events that any interested student may attend. This week will take place September 11-17, 2022.

The tentative schedule for Fraternity Recruitment is outlined below. As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve, please recognize that schedule changes and adjustments may need to take place for the safety of our members and potential new members. All men signed up for fraternity recruitment will be informed of any schedule changes.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 FROM 3 - 5 P.M. - FRATERNITY TOURS

What happens? On this day, you will be able to visit each of our five fraternities and meet members in each organization at their respective locations on campus.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 - OPEN-INVITE EVENTS

What happens? On these days, each of our five fraternities will host their own recruitment events. The purpose of these events is for potential new members to get to know members from each organization and get a feel for which chapter is the best fit. All chapter events will be listed on the GrizLife smartphone application. Daily event reminders will be sent to all potential new members who are registered for fraternity recruitment.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 - BID DAYS

What happens? Fraternities will give bids out to those they believe will be the best representation of their organizations. Bids will be given out throughout the day and evening based on the availability of the potential new member and the chapter members.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 - BID SIGNING AND ANTI-HAZING WORKSHOP

What happens? On this day, potential new member will sign their bids and start the initiation process to become a member. There will also be an anti-hazing presentation that will be made at Bid signing event. This is required for all new members of fraternities.

FRATERNITY RECRUITMENT REGISTRATION

Fraternity recruitment registration is now open! Any student who plans to participate in fraternity recruitment events must sign up for Fraternity Recruitment. The registration form only takes a few minutes. There is no registration fee for Fraternity Recruitment. Here are some quick tips for making registration a smooth process.

- Have your high school/college academic and involvement information ready.
- Be as thorough as possible with your involvement in high school/college with clubs, volunteer work, and extracurricular activities.
- Be sure to have a picture ready for upload. No worries - this just helps the fraternities put a face with your name. Make sure you are the only person in the photo.
- If you have any men in your family who are members of a fraternity, be sure to have their information, too.
- After you register, write the fraternity recruitment dates in your calendar.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can I participate in recruitment as a sophomore, junior or senior?

Of course! Your class standing does not matter to the chapters. It is actually common at Franklin College for men to wait until their sophomore, junior or even senior year to participate in recruitment. Every man will be treated fairly with the same opportunity to join.

Does everyone get a bid?

Fraternity recruitment is a mutual selection process. Every effort is made to provide opportunities for involvement to any man who is interested in the fraternity experience. However, IFC is unable to guarantee that each participant will receive a bid from a fraternity, as each fraternity makes their own membership selection decisions. Typically, a majority of students who participate in fraternity recruitment with an intent to join end up joining a fraternity at the end of the process.

How does bidding work?

Although IFC outlines a week in which all chapters host events, the chapters actually distribute their bids (invitations) on their own. Some chapters may choose to extend their bids as soon as possible (September 28), while others may choose to wait a bit longer. It is possible for a student to receive a bid from multiple fraternities. Each potential new member will be asked to complete the Greek Life Acceptance Form, which will officially communicate the chapter you plan to join to the Center for Student Involvement.

I am a student-athlete and we have a scheduled game/away weekend OR I have to miss or partially miss recruitment events. Can I still participate?

Yes! We strongly recommend communicating with the chapters you are most interested in if you are unable to attend events due to athletic/academic conflicts. Each fraternity has plenty of student-athletes, so chapters tend to be understanding of these conflicts.

A COMMUNITY OF ACCOUNTABILITY

Joining a fraternity at Franklin College means joining something bigger than yourself and agreeing to our community's code of conduct. All fraternity men at Franklin College must follow the IFC Code of Conduct. We expect mutual respect, a commitment to scholarship, and integrity at all times.

As members of the IFC, we, the Member Fraternities, hereby agree to and adopt the following Code of Conduct:

- We will know and understand the ideals expressed in our fraternity Rituals and will strive to incorporate them in our daily lives.
- We will strive for academic achievement and practice academic integrity.
- We will respect the dignity of all persons; therefore, we will not physically, mentally, psychologically or sexually abuse or harm any human being.
- We will protect the health and safety of all human beings.
- We will respect our property and the property of others; therefore, we will neither abuse nor tolerate the abuse of property.
- We will meet our financial obligations in a timely manner.
- We will neither use nor support the use of illegal drugs; we will neither misuse nor support the misuse of alcohol.
- We acknowledge that a clean and attractive environment is essential to both physical and mental health; therefore, we will do all in our power to see that our properties are properly cleaned and maintained.
- We will challenge all fraternity members to abide by these fraternal expectations and will confront those who violate them.



CHAPTER PROFILE

KAPPA DELTA RHO

"Honor Super Omnia: Honor Above All Things."

Nickname: KDR

Founding Date: May 17, 1905

Symbol: Peregrine Falcon

Colors: Middlebury Blue and Princeton Orange

Philanthropy: B+ Foundation, Boys and Girls Club

Signature Events: Boys and Girls Club Lock-Ins

Scholarship Requirement: 2.7

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$440

Initiated Member Fees (per semester following initiation):

- Out-of-house: \$400
- In-house: \$2,850



Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 3.23

Chapter Standards Scorecard:

- Excellence in: Chapter Operations, Recruitment and Retention, Member Development, Alumni Relations, Inter/national Organization Relations, Scholarship, New Member Education



CHAPTER PROFILE

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

"Every Man a Man."

Nickname: Lambda Chi or Chi

Founding Date: November 2, 1909

Symbol: Cross and Crescent

Colors: Purple, Gold and Green

Philanthropy: Feeding America

Signature Events: Teeter-Totter-Thon, Food Drives

Scholarship Requirement: 2.5

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$600

Initiated Member Fees

(per semester following initiation): \$480

Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 2.93

Chapter Standards Scorecard:

- Excellence in: Chapter Operations, Member Development, Campus Involvement, Alumni Relations, Scholarship
- Achievement in: Recruitment and Retention, Philanthropy and Community Service, Inter/national Organization Relations, New Member Education



CHAPTER PROFILE

PHI DELTA THETA

"Become the Greatest Version of Yourself."

Nickname: Phi Delt

Founding Date: December 26, 1848

Symbol: Sword and Shield

Colors: Azure Blue and Argent Gray

Philanthropy: Live Like Lou Foundation

Scholarship Requirement: 2.75

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$250

Initiated Member Fees

(per semester following initiation): \$250

Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 2.89



CHAPTER PROFILE

SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

"True Gentlemen."

Nickname: SAE or Sig

Founding Date: March 9, 1856

Symbol: Lion

Colors: Royal Purple and Old Gold

Philanthropy: Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America

Signature Events: Haunted House, SigStock

Scholarship Requirement: 2.7

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$310

Initiated Member Fees (per semester following initiation):

- Out-of-house: \$600
- In-house: \$2,735

Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 3.02

Chapter Standards Scorecard:

- Excellence in: Campus Involvement, New Member Education
- Achievement in: Chapter Operations, Philanthropy and Community Service, Alumni Relations, Scholarship



CHAPTER PROFILE

TAU KAPPA EPSILON

"Not for wealth, rank or honor, but personal worth and character."

Nickname: Teke

Founding Date: January 10, 1899

Symbol: Equilateral Triangle

Colors: Crimson Lake Cherry and Pure Silver Gray

Philanthropy: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Signature Events: Tailgate Breakfasts, Charity Concert

Scholarship Requirement: 3.07

New Member Fees (total first semester): \$TBD

Initiated Member Fees (per semester following initiation):

- Out-of-house: \$TBD
- In-house: \$TBD



Spring 2022 Chapter GPA: 2.81

Chapter Standards Scorecard:

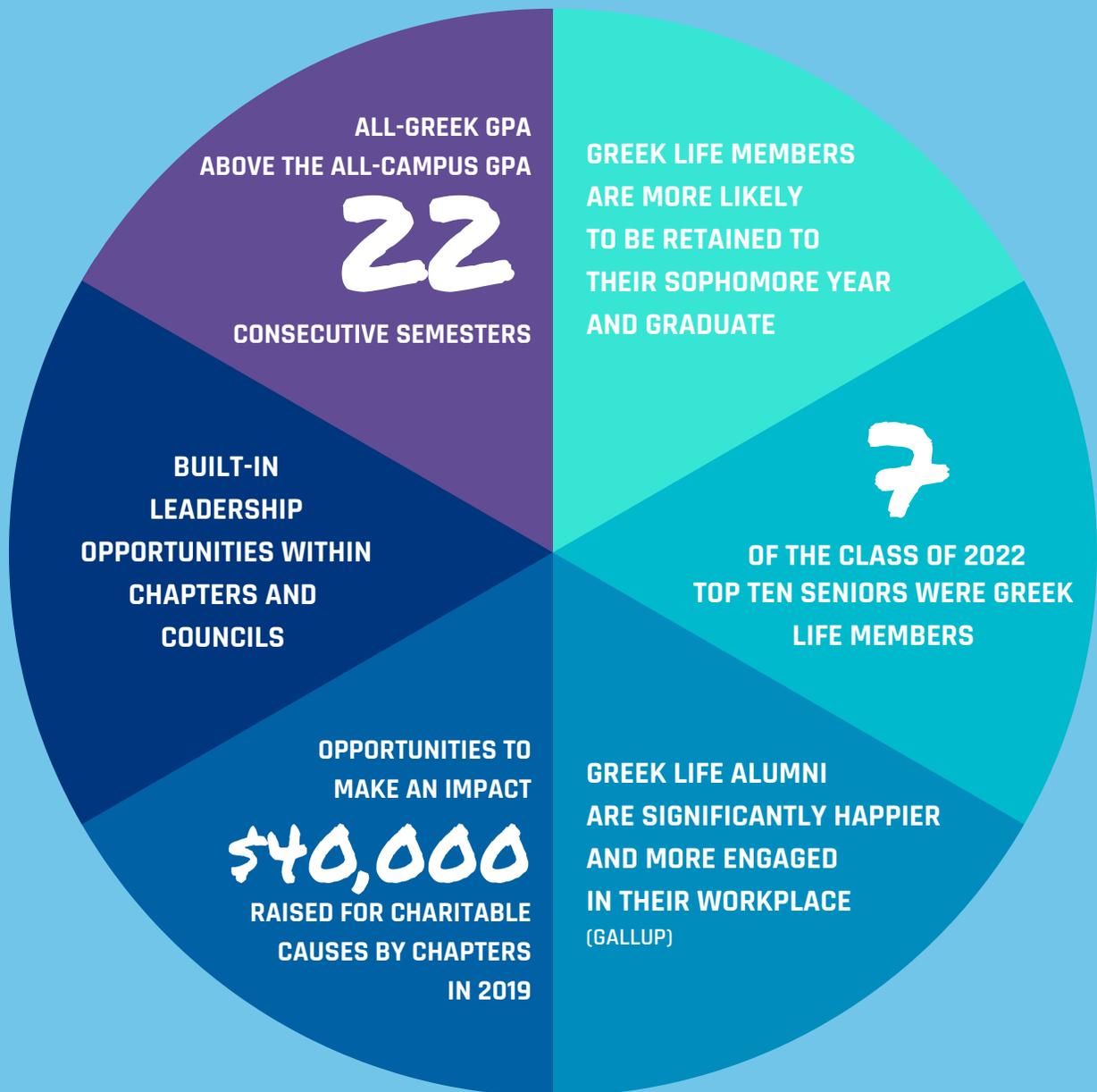
- Excellence in: Alumni Relations, Inter/national Organization Relations
- Achievement in: Chapter Operations, Member Development, Philanthropy and Community Service



WHAT IS THE VALUE OF

GREEK LIFE?

We are proud of the many accomplishments of our community, both inside and outside of the classroom. Joining a fraternity or sorority can make a large campus community feel much smaller. Chapter sizes at Franklin College range from 20-65. Fraternities and sororities are places where you can make lifelong friendships that will help keep you connected to Franklin College after you graduate. Research shows that Greek membership can enhance your life socially, personally, academically and professionally.



MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS FOR GREEK LIFE MEMBERS

SCHOLARSHIP AND ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

Students who join fraternities and sororities are expected to hold themselves to a higher standard, academically, than students who are not members. Each chapter has its own set of academic requirements and holds members accountable to those requirements. Students in fraternities and sororities who do not make scholarship a priority run the risk of losing specific membership benefits or potentially being removed from their organization.

COMMUNITY	GPA
All Panhellenic GPA	3.2809
All-Women GPA	3.2809
Non-Greek Women GPA	3.2634
All-Greek Average GPA	3.1514
All-College GPA	3.1292
All-IFC Fraternity GPA	2.9999
All-Male GPA	2.993
Non-Greek Male GPA	2.9892

Each fraternity and sorority at Franklin College is expected to obtain at least a 2.7 cumulative chapter grade point average. Additionally, each chapter is required to implement scholarship plans that incentivize positive academic performance and encourage members to make academics a priority.

FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

Students who join a fraternity or sorority will be expected to pay membership dues. The total amount of a chapter's membership dues is dependent on the chapter's budget, which is used to pay for expenses such as your badge/pin, house/suite improvements, philanthropy events, social activities, national fees, apparel and more. A member who stays current on their dues will enjoy the full benefits of chapter membership.

Fraternities and sororities at Franklin College are all part of bigger, inter/national organizations. In addition to helping the local chapter operate, membership dues also help the inter/national organization operate smoothly and support each of its chapters across the country. The chapter's treasurer typically handles the collection of membership dues. Each chapter determines and collects its own membership cost.

The average cost for fraternity members is approximately \$450 (out of house) or \$2,800 (in house) per semester. The average cost of sorority membership is approximately \$350 per semester. The specific cost per chapter, including the cost of new member fees, is outlined in each chapter's profile.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

"I think I want to join a fraternity or sorority" are words you might not have expected your student to have shared with you upon starting college. As a parent, it is important to learn more about our Greek community so you are able to help your student make the best decision about whether or not they would benefit from Greek membership. We encourage you to read through this document to learn all there is about fraternities and sororities at Franklin College.

ACADEMICS

We agree. Academics should be your student's priority while in college. This is why all of our Greek organizations require a minimum grade point average to remain a member in good standing. All fraternities and sororities are expected to incentivize positive academic performance and hold members accountable who do not meet academic requirements.

FINANCES

Your student will have financial responsibilities when it comes to joining a fraternity or sorority. Membership dues vary by campus, but are typically more affordable on a campus our size. To learn more about the purpose of membership dues, please visit the Financial Transparency section of this document.

TIME COMMITMENT

On average, your student should expect to contribute approximately two hours per week for meetings and activities. If your student has the time, there will be additional optional brotherhood/sisterhood events, leadership opportunities, social events or various projects they can get involved in as a member.

NEW MEMBER EDUCATION

Upon joining a fraternity or sorority, a student will participate in their organization's new member education process. This process lasts approximately six to eight weeks and involves your student learning more about the history, values, mission and purpose of their organization. All chapters at Franklin College are required to educate new members on hazing, social responsibility, risk management, fraternal values and academics. Upon the completion of new member education, students will participate in an initiation ceremony to become full members of their organizations.

HAZING

Franklin College has a zero tolerance policy on hazing. To learn more about Franklin College's hazing policy, please visit the Non-Hazing section of this document. All fraternities and sororities at Franklin College prohibit any type of hazing. If you feel as if your student may be participating in inappropriate activities associated with hazing, please report this to Franklin College immediately.