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### Welcome from the Greek Advisor

Welcome to Western Kentucky University! We are excited that you are interested in joining Greek Life during its 55th year at WKU.

One of the easiest ways to get involved at WKU is to explore our Greek community. WKU is an amazing campus and has so many academic and extracurricular opportunities. Our experience within the Greek community helps students adjust to university life and we hope it will do the same for you.

Your experience as a member of one of our fraternity or sorority chapters will provide a framework for achievement and strong personal development that may be applied to all aspects of your life. WKU's fraternities and sororities emphasize the personal attributes that will make you a solid, well-rounded student. Academic support, lifelong friendships, community service events, and campus leadership are just a few of the opportunities available to WKU Greeks.



### **Scholarship**

The Greek community at WKU recognizes that scholastic achievement is of the utmost importance.

- + To participate in Recruitment, WKU requires a minimum 2.5 unweighted High School GPA and a 2.5 college GPA with 12 or more attempted hours.
- + Additionally, each fraternity and sorority has a minimum grade point requirement for pledging membership.

Greek organizations were founded on the principle of academic excellence. Thus, the academic performance of each chapter is tabulated every semester to determine overall chapter ranking.

+ The Greek average has been consistently higher than the average GPA of all university non-Greek undergraduates.

WKU's Greek community wants you to excel academically. We work to make members aware of various programs in place to help you accomplish this end.

- + Many chapters have study hall hours to assist you in time management.
- + Tutor programs are available on campus to create a productive study environment.
- + Several chapters and national/international organizations offer scholarships for initiated members



## Leadership

Membership in a Greek organization provides numerous opportunities for you to take on leadership roles. Whether you choose to serve

- + your own potential chapter
- + the Greek community as a whole
- + or coordinate a chapter or community event

You can develop transferable leadership skills almost anywhere with the boundless opportunities at WKU. Each fraternity and sorority has a committee structure that allows you to be involved in many operational aspects of the organization.

Additionally, chapters provide educational programming in such areas as time management, personal development, and communication.

Greek members also participate in campus-wide leadership activities such as SGA, Ambassador programs, and the Dynamic Leadership Institute.



### Service

Fraternities and sororities sponsor a multitude of community service projects every year. These projects impact the Bowling Green community and raise money for individual chapters' philanthropies. Due to the Greek community's strength in numbers and organizational skills, WKU's campus and the Bowling Green community have received much aid. Last year, the WKU Greek Community raised over \$200,000 and performed over 50,000 hours of service for the WKU and Bowling Green Community.

During Greek Week, WKU Greeks hold the largest blood drive in the Kentucky/Tennessee region, collecting 1,500 pints of blood for the American Red Cross. Also during Greek Week, WKU Greeks collect canned food items for Bowling Green food banks and multiple county backpack food programs.



### Friendship

One of the most enjoyable parts of joining a fraternity or sorority involves making new friends and forming bonds that will last long after college. With your fraternity brothers or sorority sisters, you will share successes, happiness and the occasional struggles. Brotherhood and sisterhood means more than wearing Greek letters, attending meetings, and going to social events. It is making friendships that will last a lifetime. It is the feeling of being a part of something larger than yourself.

During your first semester as a fraternity or sorority member, all activities are designed to orient you with your chapter's history, goals, and members while working toward initiation. Such activities include meetings, retreats, community service projects and study programs. Combined, these will help you build a strong foundation for fraternity and sorority life.



# **Interfraternity Council**

The Interfraternity Council (IFC) is the governing body for WKU's 19 fraternities. The purpose of IFC is to foster cooperation among its members, provide services to the chapters, promote the fraternal system, enhance the relationship between its members and the University community, and to act as the judicial body for the actions of its members.

WKU's five National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) fraternities hold dual membership in both IFC and NPHC. Listed below are the national fraternities that have chapters on WKU's campus.

\*These members have dual membership in the Interfraternity Council and the National Pan-Hellenic Council.

Alpha Gamma Rho
Alpha Phi Alpha\*
Alpha Tau Omega
Delta Tau Delta
Farmhouse
Iota Phi Theta\*
Kappa Alpha Order

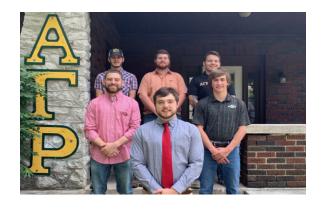
Kappa Alpha Psi\*
Kappa Sigma
Lambda Chi Alpha
Omega Psi Phi\*
Phi Beta Sigma\*
Phi Gamma Delta

Phi Delta Theta Pi Kappa Alpha Sigma Chi Sigma Nu Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Siama Phi Epsilon

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

# Alpha Gamma Rho



Chapter Name

Alpha Chi

Established on Campus

1964

Founding Date

October 10, 1904

Colors

Growing Green and Harvest Gold

Philanthropy

Courageous Kids Foundation and Wounded Warrior Project

Instagram

@agr\_alphachi

Financial Requirements

New Member \$350 | Active Member \$930

Academic Requirements

Highschool GPA 2.5 | College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

Yes

## Alpha Tau Omega



Chapter Name

Zeta Omega

Established on Campus

1967

Founding Date

September 11, 1865

Colors

Azure and Gold

Philanthropy

National Alliance on Mental Illness

Instagram

@ato\_wku

Financial Requirements

New Member \$400 | Active Member \$400

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.7 | College GPA 2.7

Housing Requirements

### Delta Tau Delta



Chapter Name

Epsilon Xi

Established on Campus

1967

Founding Date

1858

Colors

Royal Purple, White, and Yellow Gold

Philanthropy

Juvenile Diabetes Research

Foundation

Instagram

@wkudelts

Financial Requirements

New Members \$585 | Active Members \$520

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.75 | College GPA 2.75

Housing Requirements

### Farmhouse



Chapter Name

Alpha Xi

Established on Campus

1995

Founding Date

April 15, 1905

Colors

Green, White, and Gold

Philanthropy

LLS and Be the Match

Instagram

@wku farmhouse

Financial Requirements

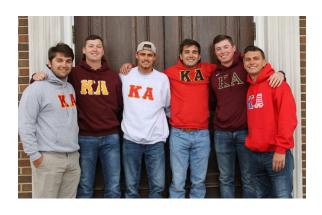
New Member \$419 | Active Member \$550

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.7 | College GPA 2.7

Housing Requirements

## Kappa Alpha Order



Chapter Name

Epsilon Theta

Established on Campus

1979

Founding Date

December 21, 1865

Colors

Crimson and Old Gold

Philanthropy

Goodnight Foundation

Instagram

@kappaalpha wku

Financial Requirements

New Member \$445 | Active Member \$400

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.70 | College GPA 2.70

Housing Requirements

Over 30 credit hours

## Kappa Sigma



Chapter Name

Theta Theta

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

December 10, 1869

Colors

Scarlet, Emerald, and White

Philanthropy

Fisher House Toys for Tots and Military Heroes Campaign

Instagram

@wkukappasigma

Financial Requirements

New Member \$450 | Active Member \$800

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.6 | College GPA 2.6

Housing Requirements

## Lambda Chi Alpha



Chapter Name |

Lambda Lambda Zeta

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

November 2, 1909

Colors

Green, Gold, and Purple

Philanthropy

Hope Harbor and Feeding America

Instagram

@lxa\_wku

Financial Requirements

New Member \$600 | Active Member \$600

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.5 | College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

### Phi Delta Theta



Chapter Name

Kentucky Eta

Established on Campus

1966

Founding Date

December 26, 1848

Colors

Azure Blue and Argent

Philanthropy

The ALS Foundation

Instagram

@wkuphidelt

Financial Requirements

New Member \$650 | Active Member \$460

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.75 | College GPA 2.75

Housing Requirements

### Phi Gamma Delta



Chapter Name

Chi Eta

Established on Campus

2010

Founding Date

May 1, 1848

Colors

Royal Purple

Philanthropy

American Red Cross, Alzheimer's Association, USO

Instagram

@wkufiji

Financial Requirements

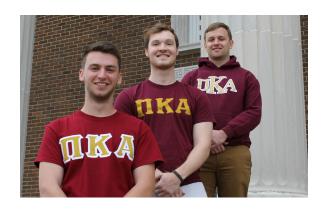
New Member \$530 I Active Member \$465

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 3.0 | College GPA 2.75

Housing Requirements

# Pi Kappa Alpha



Chapter Name

Zeta Epsilon

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

March 1, 1868

Colors

Garnet and Old Gold

Philanthropy

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Instagram

@wkupikes

Financial Requirements

New Member: \$600 I Active Member: \$600

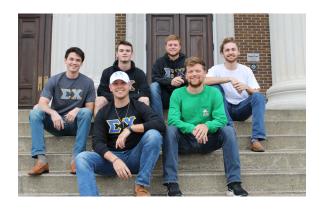
Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.5 | College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

Yes

# Sigma Chi



Chapter Name

Zeta Mu

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

June 28, 1855

Colors

Blue and Old Gold

Philanthropy

The Jimmy V Foundation

Instagram

@sigmachi wku

Financial Requirements

New Member \$700 | Active Member \$600

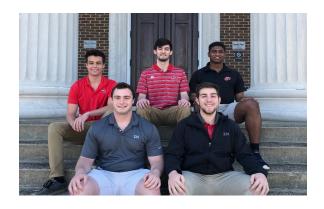
Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.5 | College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

Not required, but preferred during Sophomore year

# Sigma Nu



Chapter Name

Eta Rho

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

January 1, 1869

Colors

White, Gold, and Black

Philanthropy

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Instagram

@sigmanuwku

Financial Requirements

New Member \$630 | Active Member \$650

AcademicRequirements

High School GPA 2.5 | College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

# Sigma Alpha Epsilon



Chapter Name

KY Beta

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

March 9th, 1856

Colors

Old Gold and Royal Purple

Philanthropy

World Bicycle Relief (Global), Kelly Autism (Local)

Instagram

@wku sae

Financial Requirements

New Member \$880 | Active Member \$880

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High School GPA 2.5 | College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

Not required but preferred during sophomore year

## Sigma Phi Epsilon



Chapter Name

Kentucky Delta

Established on Campus

1967

Founding Date

November 1, 1901

Colors

Red and Violet

Philanthropy

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Instagram

@wkusigep

Financial Requirements

New Member \$600 I Active Member \$600

Academi Requirements

Highscool GPA 2.9 I College GPA 2.75

Housing Requirements

President only

### What to Wear

#### **ORIENTATION:**

At fraternity recruitment orientation, you will meet the Interfraternity Council Officers, receive information about recruitment week, and meet your recruitment counselor also known as a Rho Alpha

### **ROTATION ROUNDS:**

On Rotation Nights you will meet the remainder of the fraternities before the Open House Round in which you can choose which fraternity houses to visit again

#### PREFERENCE NIGHT:

On this night you will select those fraternities that you have a serious interest in joining. You will meet the chapter members for the last time and view a formal presentation about their fraternity.







# Fraternity Recruitment

To participate in Formal Recruitment, one must be a full-time, undergraduate enrolled at WKU with a minimum 2.5 unweighted high school GPA or a 2.5 college GPA with 12 or more earned hours. There will be a recruitment orientation designed to educate people about the fraternity recruitment process - this is important so you know what the week entails. There will be a \$25 fee to join a fraternity on Bid Day. For more information on fraternity recruitment, please e-mail Andrew.rash@wku.edu.

For the rotation nights of fall Formal Recruitment, recruitment groups will be used. Potentail new members will be divivded into groups and led to each fraternity by two members of different fraternities. These fraternity men will be known as Rho Alphas and are there to answer any questions. Between the two nights of Rotation Parties, groups will visit each fraternity chapter for 20 minutes.

The second night is an Open House round in which potential new members can visit the fraternities of their choice.

The third night is Preference Night, where potential new members can visit up to three fraternitiles and view a formal presentation about the fraternity. To sign up, go to www.wku.edu/wkugreeks.

### Panhellenic Association

The Panhellenic Association at Western Kentucky University is the governing body of the 9 National Panhellenic Association organizations and strives to create the best possible collegiate experience for all of its members and member organizations by striving to promote positive, panhellenic women and by creating an environment of unity and fairness. The Panhellenic Association serves the Greek community by planning educational, philanthropic, academic, and other events for the community.

^These organizations hold dual membership in Panhellinic and National Pan-Hellenic Conference.

\*These organizations are associate members of the Panhellenic Association

Alpha Delta Pi

Alpha Gamma Delta

Alpha Kappa Alpha^

Alpha Omicron Pi

Alpha Xi Delta

Chi Omega

Delta Sigma Theta^

Delta Zeta

Kappa Delta

Omega Phi Alpha\*

Phi Mu

Sigma Alpha\*

Sigma Gamma Rho^

Sigma Kappa

Zeta Phi Beta^

## Sorority Recruitment Staff

The Recruitment Staff is made up of women from Panhellenic's Executive Council who are passionate about strengthening WKU's Greek life and welcoming new members into our community.

These women work alongside Gamma Chi's as disaffiliated members of the Greek community to counsel women interested in joining Greek life. The Recruitment Staff also spends countless hours behind the scenes working to ensure that the recruitment process runs as smoothly as possible. The Recruitment Staff is secondary to your Gamma Chi's during this week and is always open to any questions or concerns during the recruitment process.

President: Maddie White

1 st Vice President: Lucy Hubbs

2nd Vice President: Gabbi Sledge
Recruitment Director: Sydney Riley

Gamma Chi Director: Chloe Benningfield

Treasurer: Kate Adams

Secretary: Clara Kaelin

### Gamma Chi

A Recruitment Counselor (Gamma Chi) is assigned to a group of Potential New Members (PNM) to assist during Formal Recruitment. Her job is to navigate you through recruitment week by providing information and answers to all of your questions concerning Greek life. Do not hesitate to discuss your thoughts with your Gamma Chi throughout the recruitment process.

In order to remain unbiased, Gamma Chi's disaffiliate from their chapters during the summer and rejoin their chapters on Bid Day. Your Gamma Chi's affiliation will be revealed at the end of the week. We encourage you to embrace the anonymity of your Gamma Chi to allow for a more objective experience.

### What to Wear

#### MEET THE GREEKS

At orientation, you will meet the Recruitment Staff, receive information about recruitment week and meet your recruitment counselor aka your Gamma Chi! You'll also participate in our Values Activity, to help you furthur understand the things you are looking to get out of sorority life. You will not go to any sorority house, but you will have an opportunity to meet some of the sorority women at "Meet the Greeks."

#### What to Wear

This is a good night to wear something casual like shorts, capris, or skirts with a light weight blouse. Flats or sandals are appropriate. Something to keep you comfortable as you are walking around and meeting new people

#### GO GREEK

On these two nights, you will meet the nine sorority chapters participating in Formal Recruitment for 20 minutes each. The purpose of these arties is to give you a feel for Greek life and opportunities that sorority membership will present you. This is your chance to see every chapter and It them know who you are.

#### What to Wear

For this night comfort is key! You will be provided with a uniform I-shirt that you can pair with shorts, jeans, or a skirt and sandals or flats. No need to wear any sort of wedge or heel on this casual round.

#### **GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

You will receive your Getting to Know You schedule in the afternoon from your Gamma Chi. This day you will be spending 30 minutes with each sorority on your party list. Don't be afraid to ask questions. Remember, each sorority wants to get to know you. Just, relax, have fun, and above all, be yourself.

#### What to Wear

On this night you are free to wear a cute outfit of dressy shorts or a skirt with a nice blouse, or a sundress. Keep in mind that you will be walking most of this night and outside in the heat. Sandals or flats are still the best option.







## What to Wear cont.

#### **PHILANTHROPHY**

You will receive your Philanthrophy round schedule in the afternoon from your Gamma Chi. This day you will be spending 40 minules with each sorority on your party list. These longer parties give you the opportunity to make friends within the sororities you visit. Begin to pay aftention as to where you would feel most comfortable.

#### What to Wear

This is the round to begin wearing nice dresses or skirt outfils.

Dressy shoes or wedges with simple jewelry are also acceptable.

You want to leave a good impression as it gets closer to the end of
the week.



#### **PREFERENCE**

You will receive your Preference schedule in the afternoon from your Gamma Chi. This day you could visit a maximum of two chapters, spending an hour with each sorority. During these parties, think back to previous rounds and recall what you liked best about these sororities and why you would choose to join a particular group of women. These sororities invited you back because they believe you would fit in as a sister.

#### What to Wear

This day is more elaborate in a classy cockfail dress or fancy skirt outfit paired with heels or dress shoes and nice jewelry. It is the last time you will meet with the chapters, so you will want to look your absolute best.



## Alpha Delta Pi



Chapter Name

Epsilon Delta

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

May 15, 1851

Colors

Azure Blue and White

Philanthropy

Ronald McDonald House Charities

Instagram

@wkuadpi

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$1,081 | Active Member \$515

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 3.0 | College GPA 2.8

Housing Requirements

Only for some Executive Council members

## Alpha Gamma Delta



Chapter Name

Theta lota

Established on Campus

1989

Founding Date

May 30, 1904

Colors

Red, Buff and Green

Philanthropy

Fighting Hunger in North America

Instagram

@wku alphagammadelta

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$1,052 | Active Member \$437

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.75 | College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

Only for some Executive Council positions

## Alpha Omicron Pi



Chapter Name

Alpha Chi

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

January 2, 1897

Colors

Cardinal

Philanthropy

Arthritis Foundation

Instagram

@wkuaoii

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$1,115 | Active Member \$750

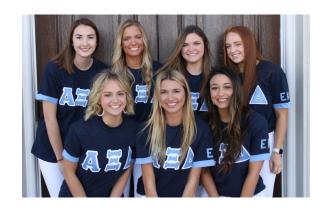
Academic Requirements

High School GPA 3.0 | College GPA 2.8

Housing Requirements

Some Executive Positions

# Alpha Xi Delta



Chapter Name

Epsilon Kappa

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

April 17, 1893

Colors

Dark Blue, Light Blue, and Gold

Philanthropy

Autism Speaks

Instagram

@wku alphaxi

Financial Requirements (per semester)

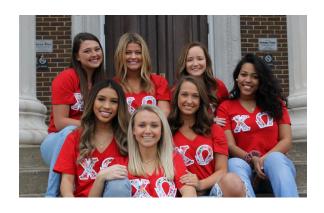
New Member \$867 | Active Member \$676

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.75 | College GPA 2.75

Housing Requirements

# Chi Omega



Chapter Name

Chi Theta

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

April 5, 1895

Colors

Cardinal and Straw

Philanthropy

Make-A-Wish Foundation and Boys

and Girls Club

Instagram

@chiomegawku

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$745 | Active Member \$635

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 3.0 College GPA 2.8

Housing Requirements

Executive Council members

## Delta Zeta



Chapter Name

Pi Chi

Established on Campus

2015

Founding Date

October 24, 1902

Colors

Rose and Green

Philanthropy

Speech and Hearing, with national partner Starkey Hearing Foundation

Instagram

@wkudz

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$820 | Active Member \$550

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.7 | College GPA 2.7

Housing Requirements

Certain officers live in house

## Kappa Delta



Chapter Name

Delta Gamma

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

October 23, 1897

Colors

Olive Green and Pearl White

Philanthropy

Girl Scouts of America, Prevent Child

Abuse America

Instagram

@wkukd

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$1010 | Active Member \$769

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 3.1 | College GPA 2.8

Housing Requirements

# Omega Phi Alpha



Chapter Name

Rho

Established on Campus

1993

Founding Date

June 15, 1967

Colors

Dark Blue, Light Blue, Golden Yellow

Philanthropy

St. Baldricks and Hope Heart Institute

Instagram

@wkuopa

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member: \$275 | Active Member \$250

Academic Requirements

High School 3.0 | College 2.7

### Phi Mu



Chapter Name

Delta Tau

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

March 4, 1852

Colors

Rose and White

Philanthropy

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals

Instagram

@phimuwku

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$900 | Active Member \$550

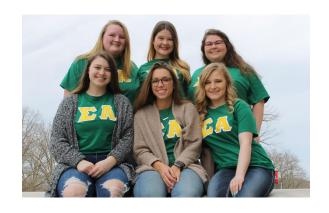
Academic Requirements

High School GPA 3.0 | College GPA 2.8

Housing Requirements

Only for some Executive Council members

# Sigma Alpha



Chapter Name

Beta Sigma

Established on Campus

2014

Founding Date

1978

Colors

Emerald and Maize

Philanthropy

Agriculture in the Community

Instagram

@wku sigmaalpha

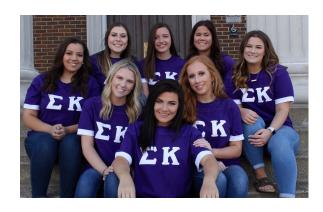
Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$320 | Active Member \$220

Academic Requirements

High School 2.5 | College 2.5

## Sigma Kappa



Chapter Name

Epsilon Zeta

Established on Campus

1965

Founding Date

November 9, 1874

Colors

Lavender and Maroon

Philanthropy

Pulse Foundation, Inherit the Earth, Maine Sea Coast Mission, Alzheimer's Disease Research

Instagram

@wkusiamakappa

Financial Requirements (per semester)

New Member \$1,281 | Active Member \$850

Academic Requirements

High School GPA 2.8 College GPA 2.5

Housing Requirements

If house is not filled, some positions are required to fill empty spots

#### NPHC Intake Process

Please note that the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) organizations at WKU do not allow undergraduates to join until they have completed at least one semester of school and have proven themselves academically. Some organizations require that one full year of academics be completed before they can begin to discuss the membership intake process for their organization. The intake process varies between the fall and spring semesters depending on each NPHC organization.

Greeks 101 is mandatory of all persons interested in pursing membership in any National Pan-Hellenic Council Organization.

Greeks 101 sessions include important information on the role of fraternity and sorority life at colleges and universities, leadership, hazing prevention, and time management. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and participate in discussion.

Each NPHC organization has their own requirements for minimum standards for academics, community service and leadership. However, each group requires a minimum grade point average and an official transcript. Generally, the intake process begins with an informational meeting. Most of these informational meetings are advertised for a short period of time either by flyers or word of mouth from members. At an informational meeting, interested students are invited to learn more about a specific organization. For more information on the NPHC Membership Intake Process, please contact Randall Bogard at (270) 745-5809.

National Pan-Hellenic Council

# Alpha Phi Alpha



Chapter Name

Eta Rho

Established on Campus

1971

Founding Date

December 4, 1906

Colors

Old Gold and Black

Philanthropy

A voteless people is a hopeless people, My Brothers Keeper, Go-to-High-School, Go-To-College and Project Alpha

Instagram

@wkualphas

## Alpha Kappa Alpha



Chapter Name

Epsilon Zeta

Established on Campus

1968

Founding Date

January 15, 1908

Colors

Salmon Pink and Apple Green

Philanthropy

American Cancer Society, American Heart Association and American Diabetes

Association

Instagram

@epsilonzeta\_akas

# Kappa Alpha Psi



Chapter Name

Epsilon Rho

Established on Campus

1969

Founding Date

January 5, 1911

Colors

Crimson and Crème

Philanthropy

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Instagram

@epnupes1969

# Omega Psi Phi



Chapter Name

Gamma Theta

Established on Campus

1969

Founding Date

November 17, 1911

Colors

Royal Purple and Old Gold

Philanthropy

United Negro College Fund

Instagram

@gammatheta\_ques

## Delta Sigma Theta



Chapter Name

Eta Zeta

Established on Campus

1970

Founding Date

January 13, 1913

Colors

Crimson and Crème

Philanthropy

Habitat for Humanity

Instagram

@wkudeltas70

# Phi Beta Sigma



Chapter Name

Epsilon Theta

Established on Campus

1971

Founding Date

January 9, 1914

Colors

Royal Blue and Pure White

Philanthropy

American Cancer Society and March of Dimes

Instagram

@epsilontheta1971

#### Zeta Phi Beta



Chapter Name

Omega Delta

Established on Campus

1972

Founding Date

January 16, 1920

Colors

Royal Blue and White

Philanthropy

American Cancer Society, March of Dimes, American Heart Association and National Educational

Foundation

Instagram

@wku\_zetas

# Sigma Gamma Rho



Chapter Name

Eta Phi

Established on Campus

1978

Founding Date

November 12, 1922

Colors

Royal Blue and Gold

Philanthropy

Operation Big BookBag, Project Reassurance, National Marrow Donor Program, Hattie McDaniel Cancer Awareness, Africa Youth Symposium

Instagram

@wku\_sgrhos

#### **lota Phi Theta**



**Chapter Name** 

Eta Rho

Established on Campus

2010

Founding Date

September 19, 1963

Colors

Charcoal Brown and Gilded

Goal

Philanthropy

AIDS/HIV Awareness and Prevention and St. Jude's Childrens Research Hospital

Instagram

@etarhoiotas

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- + Please note that the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) organizations at WKU do not allow undergraduates to join until they have completed at least one semester of school and have proven themselves academically. Some organizations require that one full year of academics be completed before they can begin to discuss the membership intake process for their organization. The intake process varies between the fall and spring semesters depending on each NPHC organization.
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- + Greek 101 sessions include important information on the role of fraternity and sorority life at WKU, leadership, hazing prevention, and membership requirements. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and participate in discussion.
- + Each NPHC organization has their own requirements for minimum standards for academics, community service, and leadership. However, each group requires minimum grade point average and an official transcript.
- + Generally, the intake process begins with an informational meeting. Most of these informational meetings are advertised for a short period of time either by fllyers or word of mouth from members. At an infortmational meeting, interested students are invited to learn more about specific organizations.
- +For more information on NPHC Membership Intake Process, please contact Randall P. Bogard at (270)-745-5809.

## Sorority and Fraternity Finances

- + It is important for students and parents to be as informed as possible regarding the financial obligations associated with fraternity and sorority membership.
- + Students interested in joining a Greek organization should be aware of the dues, fees, and other expenses involved and should consider these when making financial plans to attend college. During Formal Recruitment, a potential new member should ask chapter members about their chapter's financial obligations and payment options. Each organization sets their own dues, housing costs and payment schedules.
- + For men, the cost of fraternity membership varies among chapters. It is so important to familiarize yourself with the dues associated with each fraternity so you can make an educated decision, should you choose to accept a bid. During the first semester of fraternity membership, the groups that participate in Formal Recruitment range from \$385 to \$860. After the first year, you can expect to pay between \$400 and \$930.
- + For women, the first year of sorority membership will be the most expensive. There are a variety of one time expenses and fees that must be paid during the first year.

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- + As chapters individually determine their cost to join, you will find during Formal Recruitment that some sororities are more expensive than others. It is important to ask the chapter members what the money pays for. Some chapters include you new member education materials, sorority badge, social functions, t-shirts and bags, composite pictures and much more intheir fees.
- + For the first semester of sorority membership, the groups that participate in Formal Recruitment range from \$750 to \$1,300.
- + After the first semester, the cost of membership declines. After the first year, you can expect to pay between \$400 and \$850 per semester. The sororities Omega Phi Alpha and Sigma Alpha implement a different due structure than those organizations participating in Formal Recruitment. The first semester of membership in Omega Phi Alpha is \$275, and every semester thereafter, the cost of membership is \$250.
- +Information concerning dues for the NPHC organizations will be given during their recruitment events. Potential new members are highly encouraged to discuss the financial responsibility of joining a Greek Organization with their parents.

## **Hazing Policy**

- + Hazing is strictly prohibted by Western Kentucky University and all fraternities and sororities.
- + Hazing is defined as an action or situation with or without consent that is reckless, intentional, and unintenional
- + Hazing acts include but are not limited to the following
  - \* endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student
  - \* creates risk or injury
  - \* causes discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule
  - \* forcing someone to eat or drink against his or her will will
  - \* requiring personal servitude
  - \* the presence or use of alcohol in any new member activity
  - \* that willfully destroys or removes public or private property for the purpose of initiation or admission into or affiliation with, or as a condition for continued membership in a chapter or colony of any sorority or fraternity
  - \* paddling or striking in any manner
  - \* sleep deprivation
  - \* requiring excercise
  - \* forcing someone to publicly wear apparel that is conspicuous and not "normally" in good taste
  - \* yelling at membrs
  - \* not permitting members to talk for extended periods of time
- + If you witness or have knowledge about improper activities occuring in the Greek community, you are encouraged to contact the Greek Affairs at 270-745-2484

## Fraternity Addresses

Alpha Gamma Rho 1436 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Alpha Phi Alpha 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG. KY 42101

> Alpha Tau Omega 1346 Center Street BG. KY 42101

<u>Delta Tau Delta</u> 1906 College Heigjts Blvd. BG. KY 42101

> <u>FarmHouse</u> 1544 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

<u>lota Phi Theta</u> 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

> Kappa Alpha Order 1349 College Street BG, KY 42101

Kappa Alpha Psi 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

> Kappa Sigma 1215 College Street BG, KY 42101

Lambda Chi Alpha 1504 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101 Omega Psi Phi 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

Phi Beta Sigma 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

> Phi Delta Theta 330 Alumni Ave. BG, KY 42101

Phi Gamma Delta 1311 College Street BG, KY 42101

Pi Kappa Alpha 1328 Center Street BG, KY 42101 Sigma Alpha Epsilon 300 Alumni Ave. BG, KY 42101

Sigma Chi 1336 Center Street BG, KY 42101

<u>Sigma Nu</u> 311 Alumni Ave. BG, KY 42101

Sigma Phi Epsilon 1415 College Street BG, KY 42101

## Sorority Addresses

Alpha Delta Pi 1633 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Alpha Gamma Delta 1540 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Alpha Kappa Alpha 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

> Alpha Omicron Pi 1438 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Alpha Xi Delta 1508 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Chi Omega 1532 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

<u>Delta Simga Theta</u> 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

> <u>Delta Zeta</u> 1510 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Kappa Delta 1600 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Omega Phi Alpha 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

> Phi Mu 1553 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

<u>Sigma Alpha</u> 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101 Sigma Gamma Rho 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

> Sigma Kappa 1551 Chestnut Street BG, KY 42101

Zeta Phi Beta 1906 College Heights Blvd. BG, KY 42101

## Glossary

Active - a fully initiated member of a fraternity or sorority

Alumnus/Alumna (singular) - an initiated man/woman who is no longer in college

Bid - a formal initiation to join a fraternity or sorority

Chapter - the local collegiate group of a national fraternity or sorority

Colonization/Recolonization - the process of establishing a new national fraternity or sorority on campus

Formal Recruitment - the period set aside for membership recruitment of Interfraternity Council fraternities and

Panhellenic Association sororities

Initiation - the formal ceremony that brings a new member to full fraternity or sorority membership

Intake - the process that National Pan-Hellenic Council fraternities and sororities use to select new members

<u>Legacy</u> - a prospective new member whose relative is an alumnus/alumna or an active member of a particular fraternity or sorority

New Member - a member of a fraternity or sorority that has not yet been initiated

<u>New Member Education Program</u> - a time during which new members learn about the fraternity or sorority and its members <u>Philanthropy</u> - another term for community service

<u>Potential New Member</u> - a person who has interest in fraternity or sorority life and participates in the recruitment process <u>Preferential Bidding</u> - the system used to conclude the Formal Recruitment period, in which sororities indicate their choices for new members

<u>Quota</u> - the specified number of new members each sorority can accept during Formal Recruitment <u>Recommendation</u> - a letter signed by an alumnus/alumna recommending a man/woman for membership in a fraternity/sorority who is no longer in college

