



Introduction to Greek Life

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National Panhellenic Conference

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What is NPC?

- The National Panhellenic Council is the governing body for its sorority members, as well as the premier advocacy and support organization for its members, member groups, college, and alumnae Panhellenic members.
- All NPC sororities strive to promote philanthropy, leadership, academics, and involvement on their campus.

About Recruitment

- In order to join one of the Panhellenic chapters (AOII, DDD, KD, XO) at Rhodes, you should participate in Formal Recruitment, which will occur February 5-8, 2021.
- During Recruitment, you will attend events at each of the houses and have a chance to meet the women involved and learn about the chapters' activities, philanthropies, and more!
- The link to register can be found on the Rhodes' FSL webpage and the registration deadline is this Friday!

Why should you consider becoming a member?

- Sororities can be a place where women make lifelong friendships, develop leadership and professional skills, and become a part of something bigger than themselves.
- Sororities allow for engagement in various community service activities as well as expose members to opinions and backgrounds different from their own.
- There is an extensive alumnae network that can help in attaining valuable internships or job opportunities.

The Recruitment Process

- In 2021, Formal Recruitment will be conducted via Zoom; each day, Potential New Members (typically referred to as PNMs) will be provided a schedule of parties in which they can virtually “visit” each house and begin to make connections with active members.
- Recruitment at Rhodes is held over 4 days, including Open House, Philanthropy, Preference, and finally Bid Day. Each round offers a unique opportunity to become more familiar with each sorority, including their Philanthropy and individual sisterhood. Initially, PNMs will be introduced to all 4 chapters on Open House; however, the maximum number of houses one can attend then reduces after each subsequent round and new schedules are generated via “Mutual Selection”.

What does "Mutual Selection" mean?

- "Mutual Selection" means that both the PNMs and sororities have equally weighted input; rankings from both parties are matched as neutrally and fairly as possible. At the end of every round, PNMs will select the sororities whose events they attended in preferential order. At the same time, the sororities will submit their selection of PNM's to invite back in preferential order.
- Each PNM's preferences and sorority's selections are processed electronically to generate invitations to the next round. Schedules are then distributed to PNM's via their Gamma Chi leaders and the PNM Companion App. The process continues for the second round of recruitment and preference event, except then instead of generating schedules, bids are generated!

Recruitment Tips

- Remember that sorority membership is for life and to make your own decision. Don't listen to your friends, your parents, your significant other, or other potential new members. Keep an open mind and be optimistic about each invitation you receive!
- Be yourself; it is so important to remember that sorority recruitment relies on genuine connection. In the long run, you will be happiest in the house where you feel the most comfortable. Stay true to yourself and you will find the house in which you belong!
- Although suggestions were given for outfits for each recruitment event, please wear what makes you feel most comfortable. The outfits are not as important as the meaningful conversations we hope you will have with the chapter members.

Contact Information

- <https://www.rhodes.edu/student-life/get-involved/activities-organizations/fraternity-sorority-life>
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Chapters at Rhodes College

- Pi Kappa Alpha (ΠΚΑ)
- Alpha Tau Omega (ΑΤΩ)
- Kappa Sigma (ΚΣ)
- Kappa Alpha (ΚΑ)
- Sigma Nu (ΣΝ)

What Is IFC?

- The NIC is the governing body for fraternities across the continent and provides direct support for IFCs at their institutions
- At the campus level, The Council's purpose is to advance fraternity presence on campus and provide interfraternal leadership to the entire community.
- We plan events and promote cooperation between chapters to ensure a lasting culture of Greek life

How Recruitment Works

- Deadline to sign up for recruitment is January 29th
- Walkthroughs- Walk through each chapter lodge and meet active brothers
- “Smokers Night”- PNMs are invited back to houses to have one-on-one interactions with actives
- Signing- PNMs will choose which bid to accept out of the ones offered to them
- Bid Day - bids are announced in Frazier-Jelke Amphitheatre
- Deferred Recruitment

Why Join a Fraternity?

- Students can obtain leadership roles within their chapter or IFC
- Members will learn to become part of an organization bigger than themselves
- Dues at Rhodes tend to be considerably less expensive than dues at many other universities and colleges
- New members enter an organization on the “ground floor”
- Networking and job opportunities become available with wide alumni networks

Resources

- Do not hesitate to email Luke Harrison at harlt-22@rhodes.edu with any additional questions or concerns



Questions?