

Guide to Warhawk Fraternities & Sororities



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WELCOME FROM THE GREEK ADVISING TEAM

“Going Greek” can be a life changing experience. As advisors to the UW-Whitewater Greek community, we am honored to work with the outstanding Greek Community that contains over 600 members in 20 diverse, but uniquely outstanding, Greek organizations.

The Greek system offers a sense of accomplishment through leadership, personal fulfillment through philanthropy, and opportunities to forge lifelong relationships with peers and alumni who accompany your UW-W Greek experience. The Community does its best to excel in all ways possible and at the same time, represents Warhawk spirit through academics, sports, social events, leadership, and much more.

We ask that you take this time to look into UW-W's Greek community. If you are interested in enhancing your collegial experience through Greek Life then join one of our organizations. We, as a whole, would be honored to have you become a part of our great community to grow alongside you.

UW-Whitewater
Greek Advising Team

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WHY CHOOSE GREEK LIFE?

The benefits of joining a fraternity or sorority go far beyond a few years of fun, friends and personal development. National studies generated by the UCLA Higher Education Research Institute among college freshmen indicate that a degree of involvement outside the classroom produces more satisfied students who do better in school, graduate at a higher rate and are often more loyal to their universities.

We're Smart!

On average, the all-sorority and fraternity GPA consistently matches and often well exceeds the all-women's, men's, and campus averages.

We're Diverse!

Fraternities and sororities represent the rich diversity of the campus population and depict UW-Whitewater's multifaceted community.

We're Responsible!

Members of the Greek community remain committed to the ongoing education of its members on issues such as hazing and alcohol & drug use.

We Help Others!

UW-Whitewater's fraternities and sororities participate in countless hours of community service efforts and contribute annually to charitable organizations.

We're Leaders!

Greek members are involved in multiple campus activities, are often the most visible leaders. They are the most enthusiastic supporters of University events like Homecoming, Greek-wide events, and intramural sports.

We Don't Haze!

Hazing is prohibited; it's against the law, and at UW-Whitewater it is enforced... plain and simple!

We're Affordable!

UW-Whitewater's Greek system is affordable for today's working student.

We Network!

Fraternity men and sorority women are afforded networking opportunities through Greek Alumni for job assistance and advice, internships, exposure, experience and general direction.



Social Development

A big part of college is taking the time to enjoy life. The Greeks take a step to help college students' social development.

Fraternities and sororities are a major part of intramural sports at UW-Whitewater. Participation by members, with a special emphasis on fun, is an excellent way to develop not only physical skills, but to promote spirit, sportsmanship, and teamwork in and between chapters.

Formal events, cookouts, football games, Greek shows, Greek Week, Homecoming, picnics, variety shows, socials, and various other events offer inexpensive means of becoming a well-rounded individual and are a great way to have fun. Besides providing the opportunity to meet new people and have new experiences, Greek chapters also aid in the development of skills to be comfortable in these performances. Greeks sponsor workshops and lectures that range in subject matter from formal etiquette to alcohol and substance abuse. Greeks are looking for students who want to enjoy themselves, but at the same time are mature and responsible.

Social and Community Service

Greeks take part in community service work such as sponsoring blood drives, tutoring students, and raising funds for various charities including MDA, American Heart Association, St. Jude's Research Hospital and American Cancer Society.

Projects heighten the individual's awareness of the realities of others and of the responsibility Owe each have to the larger community and society.

Brotherhood and Sisterhood

Beyond all else, each chapter offers a warm, congenial association with others of like interests and values. An individual grows comfortable as a strong sense of belonging is realized. It is through this experience that an individual realizes the true sense of brotherhood or sisterhood found within fraternal organizations.

Each individual with their own backgrounds, share experiences, hopes, successes and failures. Each brother and sister adds to another's life in making it fuller. Because of this bond, friendships develop that last beyond a semester and surpass college life. Brothers and sisters become friends for life!

Brotherhood and sisterhood are unique, private bonds based on intangible principles. To know of its existence is one thing, to experience brotherhood or sisterhood is another.

Sense of Leadership

Through the techniques of self-governance, every Greek member acquires experience in public speaking, decision making, rules of conduct, parliamentary procedure, committee work, assumption of individual and group responsibilities, self-confidence, budgeting and maintenance of individuality while supporting majority patterns. Fraternities and sororities are a microcosm of the real world.

As student leaders, Greeks hold offices in many student organizations on campus which include but are not limited to such organizations like Whitewater Student Government, Black Student

GREEK ALPHABET

A - Alpha (al-fah)	I - Iota (eye-o-tah)	P - Rho (row)
B - Beta (bay-tah)	K - Kappa (cap-ah)	Σ - Sigma (sig-mah)
Γ - Gamma (gam-ah)	Λ - Lambda (lamb-da)	T - Tau (taw)
Δ - Delta (del-tah)	M - Mu (mew)	Υ - Upsilon (oop-si-lon)
E - Epsilon (ep-si-lon)	N - Nu (new)	Φ - Phi (fie or fee)
Z - Zeta (zay-tah)	Ξ - Xi (zie or zee)	X - Chi (kie)
H - Eta (ay-tah)	O - Omicron (om-i-cron)	Ψ - Psi (sigh)
Θ - Theta (thay-tah)	Π - Pi (pie)	Ω - Omega



Make a Difference Day 2016

Joining a fraternity or sorority is a lifetime commitment and joining the UW-Whitewater Greek Community means you are joining our family. To join, our community standards have set the following requirements to join:

- » It is required to have a 2.7 Cumulative GPA, and be an enrolled student to join any fraternity or sorority at UW-Whitewater.
- » Look for flyers, signs, brochures, social media, and other promotional materials at the start of each semester for formal and informal recruitment as well as intake information from specific organizations.
- » Each organization has different requirements set by their local, national or international organization. Please contact the individual UW-Whitewater chapters for information regarding specific chapter requirements.

Our community has two styles of recruiting or finding new members. Those are recruitment and intake processes. Each is defined below:

- » **Formal Recruitment:** the primary selection period of the year for potential new members that include scheduled events for entertaining and selecting new members. In the fall prospective members have the opportunity to learn more about each sorority or fraternity that participates in formal recruitment. This process allows individuals to become acquainted with each organization to make an informed decision about membership.
- » **Intake Process:** An educational process that one goes through in order to become a member of an organization. This process is different for each organization that does intake. In general, a potential new member decides which organization to join by showing interest towards a particular organization in ways such as attending the organization's events and contacting the president of the organization.

To view more information on the different types of recruitment and the various dates for council specific recruitment dates, please visit tinyurl.com/UWWGreekJoin

Interfraternity Council (IFC)





Members of IFC

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Membership in an IFC fraternity is an open door to many great opportunities and experiences as a UW-Whitewater student. The fraternity community promotes the high ideals and values of Whitewater and is a reflection of what it truly means to be a Warhawk.

UW-Whitewater's IFC is the governing council of the organizations listed below. They coordinate, oversee recruitment of member fraternities as well as offer educational, philanthropic and social opportunities

UW-Whitewater's IFC chapters include: Alpha Sigma Phi, Chi Sigma Tau, Delta Chi, Lambda Alpha Upsilon, Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi Chi Epsilon, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Tau Gamma, and Tau Kappa Epsilon

Alpha Sigma Phi



Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. was founded at Yale University in 1845 and currently recognizes 130+ chapters and colonies across the country. The international headquarters of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. is located in Carmel, Indiana. Alpha Sigma Phi continues to be the organization of choice for collegiate men founded on the values of Silence, Charity, Purity, Honor, and Patriotism.

Colors: Cardinal and Stone

Motto: Causa Latet Vis Est Notissima ("The cause is hidden, the results well-known")

Symbol: Phoenix



Members of Alpha Sigma Phi participating in service

Chi Sigma Tau



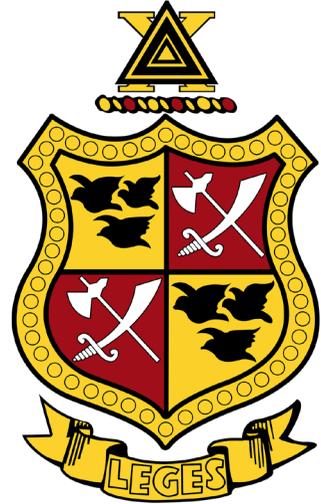
Founded on the campus of the University of Illinois at Chicago on September 9, 1999. Chi Sigma Tau National Fraternity is the first Asian-interest fraternity to have been founded in the Midwest. It has chapters on seven campuses located in the states of Illinois, Wisconsin, Kansas, and Ohio. Chi Sigma Tau is a member of the National Asian Pacific Islander American Panhellenic Association (NAPA).

Colors: Gray and Forest Green
Motto: Leaders Not Followers
Symbol: White Tiger



Members of Chi Sigma Tau attending Regional Conference

Delta Chi



Formed on October 13, 1890, at Cornell University, Delta Chi was initially a professional fraternity for law students. On April 30, 1922, Delta Chi became a general membership social fraternity, eliminating the requirement for men to be studying law, and opening membership to all areas of study.

Colors: Red and Buff

Slogan: Leges (Law)

Symbol: Martlet, Scimitar an Axe



Members of Delta Chi

Lambda Alpha Upsilon



Lambda Alpha Upsilon Fraternity, Inc. is a Latino oriented Greek letter intercollegiate fraternity founded on December 10, 1985 at the State University of New York at Buffalo. The founding fathers represented various ethnic backgrounds, demonstrating the diversity of the Latin American community. In the fall of 1985 at the University at Buffalo, sixteen young men decided to form a support group that would provide a social and cultural outlet for students.

Colors: Red, Yellow, White, and Black

Motto: "¡Venceremos porque Nacimos para Triunfar!"

Symbol: Andean Condor



Members of Lambda Alpha Upsilon

Lambda Chi Alpha



Lambda Chi Alpha was founded on November 2, 1909. It is one of the largest men's fraternities, having initiated more than 280,000 members with active chapters and colonies at 195 universities. Their philanthropic efforts focus on Feeding America and St. Baldricks

Colors: Purple, Green, and Gold

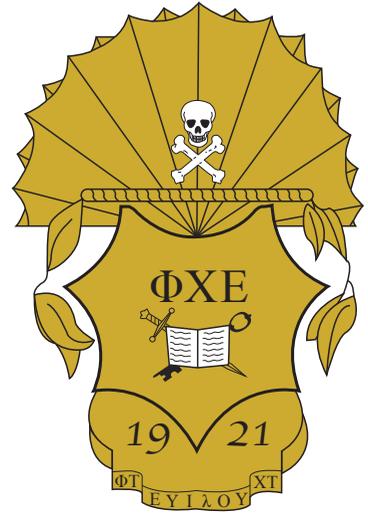
Motto: Every Man a Man

Symbol: Cross and Crescent



Members of Lambda Chi Alpha

Phi Chi Epsilon



Phi Chi Epsilon is the oldest local fraternity in the state of Wisconsin. Founded in 1921 on the ideals of brotherhood, Phi Chi Epsilon seeks to contribute positively to the social, intellectual and emotional growth of its members through brotherhood.

Colors: Black and Old Gold

Motto: "Men of Brotherhood, Character and Endeavor."

Mascot: Skunk



Members of Phi Chi Epsilon at UW Homecong Games

Pi Kappa Alpha



Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity was founded at the University of Virginia on March 1, 1868. The founders very quickly prohibited 'horseplay' or hazing of new members—a trait often found in existing fraternities at the time—as they believed such practices ran counter to their mission of promoting "brotherly love and kind feeling."

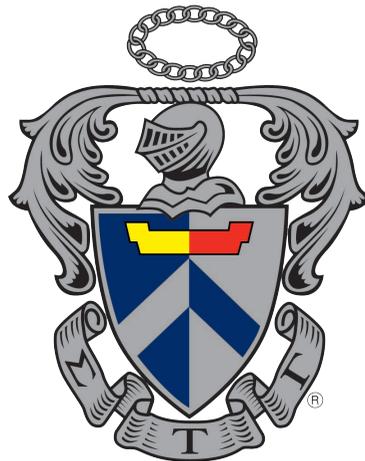
Colors: Garnet and Old Gold

Symbol: The Oak Tree, Shield & Diamond, White Horse, Dagger & Key



Members of Pi Kappa Alpha

Sigma Tau Gamma



Founded on June 28, 1920 at University of Central Missouri. The fraternity was born out of the desires and aspirations of seventeen men in the belief that all men are social creatures and that friendships of college men are lasting ones. It rose as a result of friendships made while in the service of their country during World War I in France. Their national philanthropy is the Special Olympics.

Colors: Azure Blue and White

Motto: "Everybody Love Everybody"

Symbol: The Chain of Honor



Members of Sigma Tau Gamma at UW Homecoming Yell-Like-Hell

Tau Kappa Epsilon



Founded on January 10, 1899, at Illinois Wesleyan University. The purpose of the creating the organization was to be an “aid to college men in mental, moral and social development.” The founders sought to be a different organization than the other fraternities at the time by establishing a fraternity where membership would be based on personal worth and character rather than wealth, rank, or honor..

Colors: Crimson Lake Chery and Pure Silver Grey

Motto: “Better Men for a Better World”

Symbol: Equilateral Triangle



Members of Tau Kappa Epsilon



Interfraternity
Council

GREEK SPEAK

Active

A college undergraduate who has been initiated into fraternity or sorority membership and is active at the collegiate level.

Alumni/Alumnae

Initiated fraternity or sorority members who have graduated from college.

Bid (card)

A formal invitation to join a particular fraternity or sorority.

Bid Day

The day immediately following formal recruitment where chapters extend their invitation for membership to potential new members.

Chapter

A local group of the larger inter/national organization.

Continuous Open Bidding

An informal process that Panhellenic Council chapters use to recruit new members outside the designated formal recruitment period to reach quota and/or Panhellenic total. The continuous open bidding process is less formal and not all chapters are eligible to participate.

Crossing

A term used by Multicultural Greek-letter organizations to indicate that a new member has initiated and become a member of the group.

Fraternity

The name that applies to all Greek-letter organizations characterized by a ritual, pin, and strong ties to friendship and moral principles. Informally, women's fraternities are called sororities.

Hazing

Any activity by which a person intentionally or recklessly endangers the physical or mental health or safety of an individual for the purpose of initiation or admission into, affiliation with, or continued membership with any student organization. This behavior is not tolerated by the University and is in direct violation of our anti-hazing policy as well as state and federal law.

House

The physical residence where the local chapter of a fraternity or sorority resides. Note: Not all fraternities and sororities have houses.

Informational

A forum for individuals interested in seeking more information about a particular MGC or NPHC chapter.

Initiation

The formal ceremony that marks the beginning of active membership.

Interfraternity Council (IFC)

The governing body for men's fraternities that are associated with the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC).

Intramurals

Athletic activities in which members from different chapters compete and participate in sporting events.

Line

Individuals participating in the MGC or NPHC new member education process.

National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)

The governing and programming board for the historically African American Greek lettered fraternities and sororities.

New Member

A member of a fraternity or sorority who has not been initiated.

New Member Education

A period of learning about fraternity and sorority life prior to initiation. The length of the period varies by chapter.

New Member Presentation

The "coming out" ceremony for those involved in the new member program with an NPHC or Multi-cultural organization.

Panhellenic Council

The governing and programming board for sororities at UNL that are associated with the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC).

Panhellenic Total

The allowable Panhellenic chapter size on campus, as determined by the council, including new and active members. Chapters that fall under total may be allowed to participate in continuous open bidding until they reach total.

Philanthropy

A charitable fund-raiser or service project sponsored by a fraternity or sorority.

Potential New Member

A college woman who is seeking membership in a Panhellenic Association chapter.

Preference Night

During the last day of Panhellenic Association recruitment, a potential new member determines which particular sorority she wants to join. For sorority membership recruitment, the potential new member lists up to three sororities in her order of preference.

Quota

The number of potential new members to which each Panhellenic sorority may extend a bid during formal recruitment.

Recruitment

The process organizations use to recruit new members.

Recruitment Counselor

A Panhellenic sorority member who has disaffiliated herself from her chapter during Panhellenic membership recruitment. She is specially trained to help potential new members and answer any questions they may have about sorority membership.

Ritual

The traditional beliefs and oaths of a sorority or fraternity usually used in reference to the ceremonies of initiation as well as weekly chapter meetings. These traditions do not include any forms of hazing, because hazing weakens the bonds of brotherhood/sisterhood, and undermines the common experience of the fraternity or sorority.

Recruitment Chair

The person from each chapter who is in charge of their chapter's recruitment functions.

Social

When two organizations, usually a sorority and fraternity, but can also be two sororities or two fraternities, get together to do a planned activity

National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)





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The National Pan-Hellenic Council serves as the governing and programming board for the historically Black Greek-lettered organizations. These organizations serve as advocates for underrepresented groups and emphasize scholarship, service, leadership, and collectivism. Although our organizations are historically Black, our membership is diverse and our commitment to cultural awareness is unparalleled. The NPHC is designed to assure that our member organizations cooperatively work together while maintaining distinct chapter identities.

UW-Whitewater's NPHC chapters include: Alpha Phi Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Kappa Alpha Psi, Phi Beta Sigma, and Zeta Phi Beta

Alpha Phi Alpha



Founded December 4, 1906 at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York and is the first African-American, inter-collegiate Greek-letter Fraternity. In 1968, the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, then known as Wisconsin State University-Whitewater, was the location of a most unique event. On the 14th day of April, a group of young African-American men charted not just another chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, but instead what was to become a chapter rich in tradition.

Colors: Black and Old Gold

Motto: First of All, Servants of All, We Shall Transcend All

Symbol: Great Sphinx of Giza



Members of Alpha Phi Alpha

Delta Sigma Theta



Delta Sigma Theta Sorority was founded on January 13, 1913, by 22 collegiate women at Howard University. These students wanted to use their collective strength to promote academic excellence and to provide assistance to persons in need. The first public act of Delta Sigma Theta was the Women's Suffrage March in Washington D.C., on March 3, 1913. Today, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority is the largest African-American Greek-lettered organization.

Colors: Crimson and Cream

Motto: Intelligence is the Torch of Wisdom

Symbol: Lady Fortitude



Members of Delta Sigma Theta

Kappa Alpha Psi



Since the fraternity's founding on January 5, 1911 at Indiana University Bloomington, the fraternity has never limited membership based on color, creed or national origin. Kappa Alpha Psi sponsors programs providing community service, social welfare and academic scholarship through the Kappa Alpha Psi Foundation and is a supporter of the United Negro College Fund and Habitat for Humanity.

Colors: Crimson and Cream

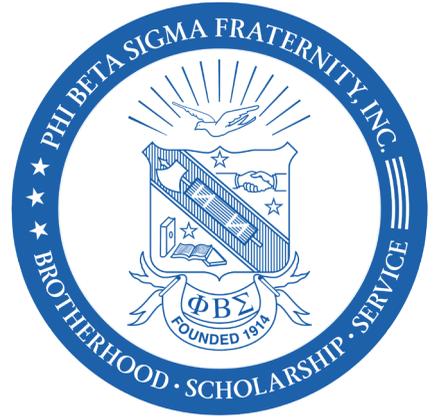
Slogan: Achievement in Every Field of Human Endeavor.

Symbol: Diamond



Members of Kappa Alpha Psi

Phi Beta Sigma



Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity was founded January 9, 1914, at Howard University in Washington, D.C. The Founders deeply wished to create an organization that viewed itself as “a part of” the general community rather than “apart from” the general community. The Theta Beta Chapter has the distinction of being the first collegiate chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. in the state of Wisconsin. Phi Beta Sigma is also constitutionally bound with Zeta Phi Beta.

Colors: Royal Blue and Pure White

Motto: Culture for Service, Service for Humanity

Symbol: Dove



Members of Phi Beta Sigma

Omega Psi Phi



Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. is an international fraternity with over 750 undergraduate and graduate chapters. The fraternity was founded on November 17, 1911 at Howard University. Omega Psi Phi is the first predominantly African-American fraternity to be founded at a historically black university. The Sigma Zeta chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. was founded here on the campus of Whitewater on May 15, 1971.

Colors: Royal Purple and Old Gold
Motto: Friendship Is Essential to the Soul
Symbol: Lamp



Members of Omega Psi Phi participating in service

Zeta Phi Beta



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. was founded January 16, 1920, at Howard University, Washington, D.C. These women believed that sorority elitism and socializing overshadowed the real mission for progressive organizations and failed to address fully the societal mores, ills, prejudices, and poverty affecting humanity in general and the black community in particular. Since its inception, Zeta has continued its steady climb into the national spotlight with programs designed to demonstrate concern for the human condition both nationally and internationally. Zeta Phi Beta is also constitutionally bound to Phi Beta Sigma.

Colors: Royal Blue and Pure White

Motto: A Community Conscious Action Oriented Organization

Symbol: Dove



Members of Zeta Phi Beta

Panhellenic Council (PHC)



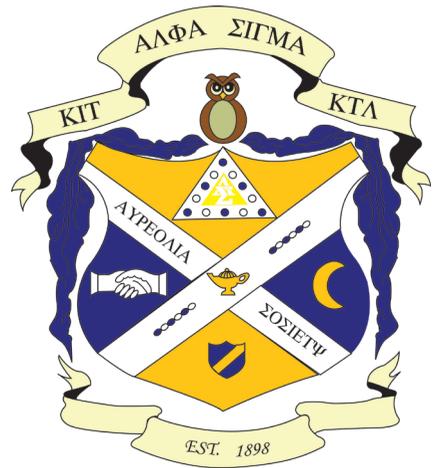


PanHellenic Council (PHC)

Sorority life or sisterhood means striving to be a leader academically, philanthropically and socially. Panhellenic women at UW-Whitewater consistently achieve a higher all-sorority GPA than the all-female GPA because they are surrounded by academic mentors and built-in study partners. From the moment you join a chapter, you will reap the benefits of membership as your chapter serves as the building blocks for creating a sense of community on the Whitewater campus. No matter which way you go, you can't go wrong in the Panhellenic community.

UW-Whitewater's PHC chapters include: Alpha Sigma, Delta Zeta, Gamma Alpha Omega, Sigma Sigma Sigma, and Zeta Sigma Chi.

Alpha Sigma



Alpha Sigma, the oldest sorority on campus and in the state of Wisconsin, was founded in 1898. Alpha Sigma has a strong alumnae board, which supports the chapter. Being the only local sorority on campus, their money stays within their house and the community. Overall, Alpha Sigma's main objectives are to promote high scholastic achievement, friendship, and sisterhood.

Colors: White, Blue, and Yellow

Motto: Success Crowns Perseverance

Mascot: Owl



Members of Alpha Sigma

Delta Zeta



Delta Zeta sorority was founded on October 24, 1902, at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Today, Delta Zeta has 166 collegiate chapters in the United States and over 200 alumnae chapters in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Canada. Their philanthropic efforts focus on Speech and Hearing and The Painted Turtle Camp. In 2016, Delta Zeta named Starkey Hearing Foundation our National Philanthropy Partner in an effort extend their impact throughout the world.

Colors: Rose and Green

Creed: To those whom my life may touch in slight measure, may I give graciously of what is mine.

Mascot: Turtle



Members of Delta Zeta

Gamma Alpha Omega



Founded on January 25, 1993 on the campus of Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. The organization is dedicated to promoting the achievement and quest of higher education amongst all women. The pillars of the sorority are honesty, integrity, leadership, scholarship and unity. These visionary young women saw the need to create a support system that would encourage women to become actively involved with social issues, achieve educational excellence, serve as a motivational source for others while generating role models and eventually yield a considerable amount of leaders in the Latino/Hispano community.

Colors: Navy Blue, Forest Green, and White

Motto: Nos Una Crescemus (United We Will Grow)

Symbol: White Bengal Tiger, with blue eyes



Members of Gamma Alpha Omega

Sigma Sigma Sigma



On April 20, 1898, the Greek letter society known as Sigma Sigma Sigma was officially announced as a Sorority. The Alpha Xi chapter was founded on March 19, 1932. Sigma Sigma Sigma's mission is to establish among its members a perpetual bond of friendship, to develop in them strong womanly character, and to impress upon them high standards of conduct.

Colors: Royal Purple and White.

Motto: Faithful Unto Death

Symbol: Sailboat



Members of Sigma Sigma Sigma

Zeta Sigma Chi



Zeta Sigma Chi Multicultural Sorority, Inc. was founded on March 3, 1991 at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois. Sorority members are united together through sisterhood and share the goal to be ready and willing to lend a helping hand to those who are in need on and off campus. Zeta Sigma Chi is built on five principles: Education, Success, Culture, Service and Sisterhood. Our purpose is to unify a group of women from diverse cultures for ONE common goal: Success in Education. We invite all women from diverse cultures to join our sisterhood and share their beliefs as well as to gain knowledge from our multicultural heritage."

Colors: Peach and Black

Motto: Keeping The Dream Alive

Symbol: Unicorn



Members of Zeta Sigma Chi



Panhellenic Council

