A Guide to Fraternity and Sorority Life at The University of Akron





Go Zips!

Go Greek!



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# About Fraternity & Sorority Life



Fraternity and sorority membership creates a meaningful connection to campus, builds a sense of community through campus involvement, develops men and women into responsible, cultured citizens with an inherent commitment to service and philanthropy, and challenges members to strive for the highest academic achievement. In addition, our members are consistently held to a high standard of character, academic achievement, and responsibility. Members learn leadership skills, improve communication skills, hone organizational, conflict-management and problem-solving skills—all transferrable and in high demand in the job market.





## Songfest

Chapters show off their song and dance skills at Songfest every spring creating routines for a unique theme picked each year. Past years' themes have included boy bands and girl groups, movies, and decades. Our community's annual philanthropy event generally raises over \$5,000 for Camp Quality Ohio.

## Alternative Spring Break

The FSL community has partnered with Camp Twin Lakes for the past seven years to provide students with an Alternative Spring Break experience. About 40 students travel to Georgia each spring to assist the camp, which primarily serves kids with diseases/disabilities that would prevent them from attending a traditional summer camp, with projects including landscaping, demolition, and arts and crafts.

#### Greek Week

Each fall chapters team up and compete in Greek Week.
Greek Week aims to provide chapters with some friendly competition as well as opportunities for community service. Signature events over the past years have been a dodgeball tournament, trivia night, and the annual Greek God and Goddess pageant!

### Greek Leadership Awards

The Greek Leadership Awards provide members with a chance to dress up and celebrate the community's accomplishments over the past year. The GLAs recognize chapters in a variety of award categories as well as individual outstanding leaders.

# How to Join



Find your home on campus!

Historically the beginning of fall semester is the main time the fraternities and sororities recruit new members to join their organizations. Due to the pandemic, our plans for fall 2020 may need to be modified. Regardless of what the fall semester may look like, there will be opportunities to learn more about the fraternities and sororities at UA.

Chapters in our fraternity and sorority community are represented by three councils and each council has a different recruitment process for welcoming new members. You can learn more about the chapter's in each council on the following pages.

# Interfraternity Council

The main recruitment period for the fraternities in the Interfraternity council is throughout the first two weeks of the semester where the council and individual chapters host events. You must be a full-time University of Akron student taking 12 or more credit hours and have either a high school or college GPA of a 2.5 in order to participate.

## National Pan-Hellenic Council

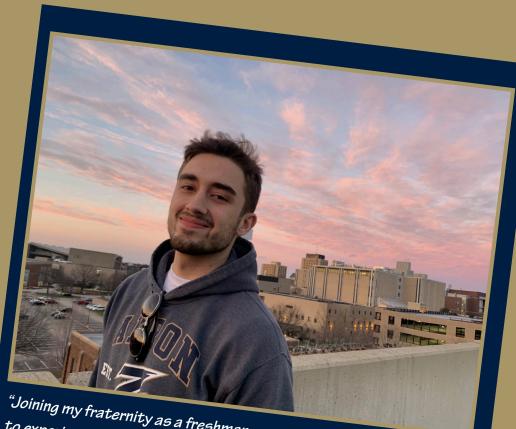
Chapters within the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) conduct membership intake, which is different from the recruitment process used by IFC fraternities or PHC sororities. Membership intake can occur at any time throughout the academic school year and is not coordinated by NPHC, but the council will host NPHC Week in the fall. To join an NPHC organization you must be a full-time University of Akron student taking 12 or more credit hours, have already completed 12 credit hours at UA, and have a college GPA of 2.5.

## Panhellenic Council

This fall all six Panhellenic sororities will be hosting open recruitment events. We encourage you to meet each chapter, so you can make an informed decision on joining. To join you must be a full-time University of Akron student taking 12 credit hours or more. Most chapters require a high school GPA of 2.5 or a college GPA of a 2.4. Some will make special exceptions to their GPA requirement.

In spring 2021 chapters will participate in the formal recruitment process, which consists of three-rounds of mutual selection.

# The Interfraternity Council



"Joining my fraternity as a freshman gave me the perfect opportunity to experience all of the great things that college has to offer. This includes making new friends, taking on exciting leadership roles, excelling academically, growing as a young man, and discovering new-found purpose. I have had so much fun and have grown as a leader in ways than I never thought possible before coming to college, and I attribute all of that to my fraternity experience at the University of Akron." – Jesse



The Interfraternity Council (IFC) is the governing body for 13 fraternities at UA.

- Learn more about IFC HERE
- Follow IFC on <u>TWITTER</u> and <u>INSTAGRAM</u> @UAkronIFC



# Alpha Sigma Phi $(A\Sigma\Phi)$

#### Colors:

Cardinal and Stone

#### Symbol:

**Phoenix** 

#### Philanthropy:

PAINI

Active Mind

Shatterproof

Aware Awake Alive

Homes for our Troops

#### Signature Events:

Alumni Golf Outing

Sport-a-thon

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$550 Active Member Dues: \$380

Rent: N/A, no chapter facility

#### Instagram:

@alphasigsua



# Kappa Sigma (KΣ)

#### Colors:

White, Scarlet, and Emerald

#### Symbol:

Kappa Sigma Crest and Badge

#### Philanthropy:

Military Heroes Campaign

#### Signature Events:

Warrior Week

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$300 Active Member Dues: \$420 Rent: N/A, no chapter facility

#### Instagram:

@kappasigma\_akron



# Lambda Chi Alpha (AXA)

#### Colors:

Purple, Green, and Gold

#### Symbol:

Lion Rampet

#### Philanthropy:

Feeding America

#### Signature Events:

Bathtub Pull Pumpkin Bust

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$450 Active Member Dues: \$500

Rent: \$275/month

#### Instagram:

@lca\_akron



# Lone Star (NKE)

#### Colors:

Scarlet and Emerald

#### Symbol:

Sphin

#### Philanthropy:

Stephen A Comunale Jr Family Cancer Foundation

#### Signature Events:

Lone Star Thanksgiving
Taco Tuesday

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$100 Active Member Dues: \$275

Rent: \$250/month

#### Instagram:

@lone\_star\_fraternity



## Phi Delta Theta $(\Phi\Delta\Theta)$

#### Colors:

**Azure and Argent** 

#### Symbol:

Sword and Shield

#### Philanthropy:

The Live Like Lou Foundation

#### Signature Events:

Supper with Santa

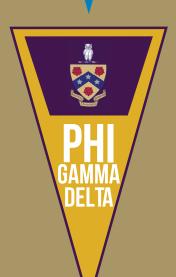
#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$475 Active Member Dues: \$475

Rent: \$380/month

#### Instagram:

@akronphidelt



## Phi Gamma Delta (FIJI)

#### Colors:

Royal Purple

#### Symbol:

Snowy White Owl

## Philanthropy:

United Service Organizations DonateLife

One of a Kind Pet Rescue

#### Signature Events:

**Puppy Party** 

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$370 Active Member Dues: \$450

Rent: Single Room \$1600/semester Double Room \$1200/semester

#### Instagram:

@uakronfiji



# Phi Kappa Psi (ΦΚΨ)

#### Colors:

Cardinal Red and Hunter Green

#### Symbol:

Harry Buffalo

#### Philanthropy:

Akron Children's Hospital Burn Unit

#### Signature Events:

Rock Sauat

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues:

In House-\$400, Out of house-\$475

**Active Member Dues:** 

In House-\$400, Out of house-\$475 Rent: Single Room-\$450/month,

Double Room-\$375/month

#### Instagram:

@akronphipsi



# Phi Kappa Tau (ΦΚΤ)

#### Colors:

Harvard Red and Old Gold

#### Symbol:

Unicorr

#### Philanthropy:

Flying Horse Farms

#### Signature Events:

The Fratchelor

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$500 Active Member Dues: \$450

Rent: \$350/month

#### Instagram:

@uakronphitau



# Phi Sigma Kappa ( $\Phi\Sigma K$ )

#### Colors:

Royal Purple

#### Symbol:

Snowy White Owl

#### Philanthropy:

Special Olympics Love Your Melon

#### Signature Events:

Phi Sig Pig Jig

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$400 Active Member Dues: \$550

Rent: \$300/month

#### Instagram:

@\_phisigmakappaakron



# Sigma Alpha Epsilon ( $\Sigma AE$ )

#### Colors:

Royal Purple and Old Gold

#### Symbol:

The Phoenix

#### Philanthropy:

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals

#### Signature Events:

Paddy Murphy Week Grilled Cheese with the SAE's Alumni Homecoming Tailgate

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$330 Active Member Dues: \$400 Rent: \$350-390/month

#### Instagram:

@akrongentlemen



## Sigma Nu $(\Sigma N)$

#### Colors:

Black, White, and Gold

#### Symbol:

Knight, Snake, White Rose, Shield, and Sword

#### Philanthropy:

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Habitat for Humanity Haven of Rest

#### Signature Events:

Kornhole for the Kids

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$500 Active Member Dues: \$400–500 Rent: N/A, no chapter facility

#### Instagram:

@sigmanu\_kappalambda



# Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE)

#### Colors:

Cherry Red and Silver Grey

#### Symbol:

**Equilateral Triangle** 

#### Philanthropy:

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

#### Signature Events:

Hope and Healing Center's Walk With Hero's Spaghetti Dinner

#### Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$500 Active Member Dues: \$400 Rent: \$400/month

#### Instagram:

@uakrontke



# Theta $Chi(\Theta X)$

Colors:

Military Red and White

Symbol:

Rattlesnake

Philanthropy:

United Service Organizations (USO)

Signature Events:

G.I. Theta Chi Car Smash

Financial Information:

New Member Dues: \$310 Active Member Dues:

In House-\$425

Out of House-\$465

Rent: \$1500/semester

Instagram:

@thetachiakron



Scholarship \ Leadership



Service | Networking

# The National Pan-Hellenic Council



"Joining an NPHC organization has provided me with opportunities that are never ending. Planning an event, leading, community service, that are never ending connections to name a few." -Jasmine networking, and lifelong connections



The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) is the governing body for the nine historically black fraternities and sororities. Five of the nine NPHC organizations are currently on campus.

- Learn more about NPHC <u>HERE</u>
- Follow NPHC on <u>INSTAGRAM</u> @uakron\_nphc

# NPHC Fraternities



# lota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc $(I\Phi\Theta)$

Colors:

Charcoal Broan and Gilded Gold

Symbol: Centaur

Philanthropy:

Akron Canton Regional Food Bank

Signature Events:

lota Week

The lota Fashion Show

Financial Information:

The start up cost to join is \$1200

Instagram:

@uakroniotas



# Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc $(KA\Psi)$

Colors:

Crimson and Cream

Symbol:

Philanthropy:

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Urban League

Signature Events:

Kappa Week

Pie a Nupe

Financial Information:

New member intake cost varies

by grade

Instagram:

@notoriousnupes



## Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc $(\Omega \Psi \Phi)$

Colors:

Royal Purple and Old Gold

Symbol:

Philanthropy:

Omega 1911 Project

Signature Events:

Omega Week

Financial Information:

Instagram:

# NPHC Sororities



## Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (AKA)

#### Colors:

Salmon Pink and Apple Green

#### Symbol:

Ivy Leaf

#### Philanthropy:

HBCU for Life: A Call to Action Women's Healthcare and Wellness Building Your Economic Legacy The Arts! Global Impact

#### Signature Events:

Skee-Week

**Charter Day Celebration** 

#### Financial Information:

Our membership fees vary

by semester

#### Instagram:

@aka\_deltapi61



## Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc $(Z\Phi B)$

#### Colors:

Royal Blue and White

#### Symbol:

The Dove

#### Philanthropy:

Stork's Nest March of Dimes

#### Signature Events:

Zeta Week

Girl Code vs. Guy Code

#### Financial Information:

We have a new member fee to join and then a small yearly fee each year after.

#### Instagram:

@ye\_zetas

# Below is an Update on the Remaining NPHC Organizations:

- Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. have plans to return to campus during the 2020–2021 academic year.
- Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. has plans to return during the fall 2020 semester.
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. may return to campus at anytime. Currently there are no plans for a date of return.

# The Panhellenic Council



"Joining a sorority has been the best thing I've done in college. I've gained amazing sisters that have turned into best friends, had opportunities for service, leadership and networking & have made countless memories. The sorority experience is truly a unique one, and something you definitely do not want to miss out on in college!" – Carson



The Panhellenic Council (PHC) is the governing body for six sororities at UA.

- Learn more about PHC <u>HERE</u>
- Follow PHC on <u>TWITTER</u> and <u>INSTAGRAM</u> @UofA\_PHC

# PHC Chapters



# Alpha Delta Pi $(A\Delta\Pi)$

#### Colors:

Azure Blue and White

#### Symbol:

Diamond

#### Philanthropy:

Ronald McDonald House Charities – Ronald McDonald House of Akron

#### Signature Events:

Silent Auction

Pi Hop Pancake Breakfast

#### Financial Information:

1st Semester New Member Dues: \$803 2nd Semester New Member Dues: \$639

Active Member Dues: Fall-\$503, Spring-\$389

Rent: Single Room-\$1934/semester
Double Room-\$1450/semester

#### Instagram:

@adpi\_akron



## Alpha Gamma Delta $(A\Gamma\Delta)$

#### Colors:

Red, Buff and Green

#### Symbol:

Skiouros the Squirrel

### Philanthropy:

The Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation Supporting Fighting Hunger Feeding America Meals on Wheels

#### Signature Events:

Can Alpha Gam Food Drive LipJam Jewel Ball

#### Financial Information:

1st Semester New Member Dues: \$976 2nd Semester New Member Dues: \$445 Active Member Dues:

Fall & Spring-\$465 Rent: \$528/month

#### Instagram:

@akronalphagam



# Alpha Phi (ΑΦ)

#### Colors:

Silver and Bordeaux

#### Symbol:

Ivy Leaf

Big Dipper

#### Philanthropy:

The Alpha Phi Foundation supporting Women's Heart Health

#### Signature Events:

The Red Dress Gala + Silent Auction

#### Financial Information:

1st Semester New Member Dues: \$857 2nd Semester New Member Dues: \$475

Active Member Dues: Fall-\$503, Spring-\$389

Rent: Single Room-\$1934/semester Double Room-\$1450/semester

#### Instagram:

@akronalphaphi

# PHC Chapters



# Delta Gamma ( $\Delta\Gamma$ )

#### Colors:

Bronze, Pink, and Blue

#### Symbol:

Anchor

#### Philanthropy:

Service for Sight Golden Anchor Program Joining Forces

#### Signature Events:

Anchor Splash Spaghetti Dinner Slices for Sight

#### Financial Information:

1st Semester New Member Dues: \$1161 2nd Semester New Member Dues: \$677

Active Member Dues: Fall-\$816, Spring-\$677 Rent: \$1695/semester

#### Instagram:

@deltagammaeta



## Delta Zeta ( $\Delta Z$ )

#### Colors:

Rose and Green

#### Symbol:

Turtle

#### Philanthropy:

Starkey Hearing Foundation
Painted Turtle Camp
Akron Children's Audiology Clinic

#### Signature Events:

Chili Cook Off

#### Financial Information:

1st Semester New Member Dues: \$464 2nd Semester New Member Dues: \$525

Active Member Dues: Fall-\$464, Spring-\$525 Rent: N/A, no chapter facility

#### Instagram:

@akrondeltazeta



# Карра Карра Сатта (ККГ)

#### Colors:

Dark Blue and Light Blue

#### Symbol:

Golden Key

#### Philanthropy:

Kappa Kidney Camp GIRLS Academy

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation Reading is Fundamental

#### Signature Events:

Kapparoni and Cheese

Balloon Pop

#### Financial Information:

1st Semester New Member Dues: \$843 2nd Semester New Member Dues: \$672

Active Member Dues:

Fall-\$688, Spring-\$497

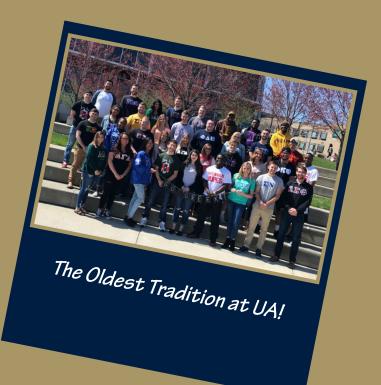
Rent: N/A, chapter facility is a

lodge only

#### Instagram:

@uakronkkg

# Supporting Your Student



If your student is considering joining a fraternity or sorority, remember to keep an open mind about your son or daughter's interest as the media can be misleading and your experience will be drastically different that theirs. Many movies or popular internet trends are not a true representation of the genuine purpose and values members live each day. Chapters are led by students but most have inter/national organizations of alumni and experts advising the function and vales-based decision making of the chapter. Each organization is required to have a chapter advisor that regularly attends meetings and helps interpret the inter/national constitution, values, and rituals of the group. The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life also works closely with all chapter presidents and student leaders to ensure the organizations are providing safe, values-based experiences for their members.

There are many ways to support your student during exciting time, as a life-long decision of membership should not be taken lightly. Encourage your student to be confident and show their genuine self.

# Tips for Supporting Your Student

- · Check in with your student during the recruitment process
- Talk with your student about making an individual decision: friends amongst chapters are a good thing!
- Help them weigh the considerations for joining each group: philanthropy, sisterhood/brotherhood support, service work, scholarship opportunities, leadership development, academic responsibilities, financial and job skills.
- Talk about the financial responsibility associated with membership.
- If you are an alumnus/a of an organization, consider their legacy but also be open-minded and supportive of membership should they choose a fraternity/ sorority other than your own.



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