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**Univeristy of West Georgia
Fraternity and Sorority Life
Guidebook**



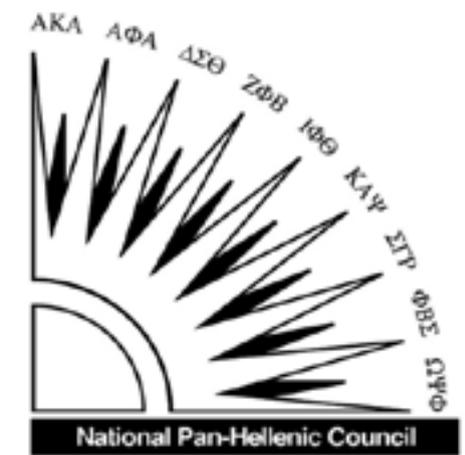
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WHAT IS FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE?

Going West provides you with many fantastic opportunities, including the opportunity to join a fraternity or sorority. The University of West Georgia's Fraternity and Sorority Life can improve your time at West Georgia in numerous ways. You will make new, lifelong friends, engage in meaningful service within your community, and join a group of leaders and change agents on your campus.

All of our organizations aim to embrace and promote excellence in scholarship, leadership, service, and social development. First and foremost, fraternity men and sorority women are students. The fraternity and sorority life experience is meant to complement the undergraduate experience, and thus members of our community are required to be in good academic standing with West Georgia. Whilst maintaining expectations for academics, our members are also given the opportunity to develop as leaders and citizens through campus involvement and community service.

Finally, the fraternity and sorority experience is meant to be fun! You will create tons of lasting memories with lifelong brothers and sisters. We are excited for you to have a great college experience, to develop as a leader in your community, and to have a blast doing so! Go West! Join West!



FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



31% (286)
PERCENT OFFSL
MEMBERS MADE
THE DEAN'S LIST



962
TOTAL FSL
MEMBERS AT UWG



11.31%
PERCENT OF FSL
MEMBERS AT UWG



UWG FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE COMMUNITY

The Fraternity and Sorority Life community at UWG is home to fraternity and sorority chapters who are nationally recognized as members of the the National Panhellenic Conference (Panhellenic), National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), or the North American Interfraternity Conference (NIC).

The Fraternity and Sorority Life Office, which operates under the Center for Student Involvement, has a full-time professional and two graduate assistants committed to the development and success of the Fraternity and Sorority Life community and its members.

PANHELLENIC CHAPTERS (CPC)

Alpha Gamma Delta
Alpha Xi Delta
Chi Omega
Delta Zeta
Kappa Delta
Phi Mu
Sigma Kappa

INTERFRATERNITY CHAPTERS (IFC)

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

MULTICULTURAL CHAPTERS (MGC)

Lambda Theta Alpha
Lambda Theta Phi

NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC CHAPTERS (NPHC)

Alpha Phi Alpha
Alpha Kappa Alpha
Omega Psi Phi
Phi Beta Sigma
Zeta Phi Beta
Sigma Gamma Rho
Iota Phi Theta



SCHOLARSHIP

Scholastic achievement is among the values that fraternities and sororities were founded upon. Their overall grade point averages are consistently higher than averages unaffiliated students. Each organization promotes high academic standards through various means. Activities range from study hall to tutoring programs.

The University of West Georgia requires each organization to maintain a minimum grade point average of a 2.5 to remain in good standing with the institution. Competition among members for scholastic achievement awards is encouraged, and campus-wide recognition is given to fraternities and sororities with the highest grade point average each semester. Most importantly, the fraternity and sorority system develops a positive attitude towards learning among its members.

LEADERSHIP

Fraternity and Sorority Life encourages involvement in campus activities, promotes the making of new friends, and broadens the development of each member's potential as involved members of their community. Fraternity and sorority leaders are well respected by faculty and administrators. In addition, each chapter elects its own officers to fulfill organizational obligations and responsibilities.

As a leader, you have an opportunity to practice and gain skills that may well be one of the most valuable experiences of your university career. By joining a sorority or fraternity, individuals are given opportunities to develop leadership skills that will be advantageous to them in the future.

“Being a sorority member means stepping outside of myself for my community, sorority sisters, and other things to provide help and ultimately be a better person.”

- Kennedy Davis
ZΦB Spring 2019

“Becoming a fraternity man means holding yourself and your brothers to a higher standard. It means going above and beyond in all that you do and always striving to a better version of yourself.”

- Peter Sciolis
ΦΔΘ Fall 2017

“I was more open to joining certain organizations on my campus due to my sorority. I currently am a Senator on SGA and I am the Public Relations chair on the Executive Council for Student Activities Council. It has pushed me to strive academically and make Dean's List.”

- Cherokee Rabjohn
Panhellenic Executive Council

SERVICE

Fraternity and sorority life is much more than socializing and studying. Each year fraternity and sorority organizations raise thousands of dollars and contribute thousands of hours of service for local and national charities and nonprofit organizations. Fraternities and sororities promote numerous service projects that provide men and women with the opportunity to help others and improve the community around them.

A strong community service program gives members an opportunity to accept responsibility and to know the satisfaction that comes from helping others. Fraternity and sorority members at UWG know that service to our community promotes good citizenship beyond the university experience.

SOCIAL

Being a member of a fraternity or sorority allows students to participate in social activities, such as intramural sports, Homecoming events, Greek Week, formals, step shows, BBQs, the Variety Show, and individual chapter retreats and events. These programs all support the goal of bringing the fraternity and sorority community together to develop the bonds of friendship.

Every fraternity and sorority organization maintains a responsible social policy and risk management program that promotes high standards for careful planning of social events. Fraternity and sorority members enjoy brotherhood and sisterhood and share the goal of becoming socially involved on campus and in the community.

“When I first joined my organization, I had a voice, but I didn’t know how to use it. Delta Zeta taught me how to speak up and provided me with a group of women who believed in me, even when I didn’t believe in myself.”

- Gretchen Erwin
ΔZ Fall 2015

“Being a fraternity member means to me that we as Greeks go above and beyond to help the community not only at the University of West Georgia but the Carroll County community as a whole and to make a difference. We fight for change and give others the ability to voice their opinions to bring about better change for the entire community.”

- Zachary Henson
ΑΣΦ Spring 2018

“Being a sorority member has given me opportunities I never thought possible, created life long friendships, and helped me grow as a person.”

- Rebekah Brinkley
ΣK Fall 2015



GOVERNING COUNCILS



COLLEGE PANHELLENIC COUNCIL

The Panhellenic Council (CPC) serves as the governing body for the seven National Panhellenic Conference sororities at UWG. The Panhellenic Council executive board is comprised of women from different chapters who collectively promote the ideals of scholarship, leadership, service, and leadership.



INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

The goal of Interfraternity Council (IFC) and its officers is to serve as the governing body of the fraternity community, acting as a bridge between the fraternity community, and the UWG campus. Executive officers work alongside each organization to help promote a values-based community, one in which every fraternity man, past or present, would be proud. The Interfraternity Council Executive Board assists with the IFC conduct proceedings, recruitment, and programming surrounding scholarship, philanthropy, and brotherhood for the nine IFC fraternities on campus.



MULTICULTURAL GREEK COUNCIL

The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) is the newest council at UWG, which is comprised of Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc. and Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc. This council serves as a formal organization to establish coordination and cooperation between the member fraternity and sorority by providing leadership possibilities, service opportunities, and philanthropic contributions to the surrounding community.



NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) is the official coordinating board for the historically black Greek-letter fraternities and sororities at UWG. NPHC's purpose is to foster cooperative actions of its members in dealing with matters of mutual concern. To this end, the NPHC promotes the well-being of its member organizations and provides leadership training for its constituents. The NPHC Executive Board is committed to upholding the core values of scholarship, leadership, friendship, and service.

HONOR SOCIETIES



GAMMA SIGMA ALPHA

National Academic Greek Honor Society (GSA) is the premier organization committed to the academic success of our members and alignment with the academic missions of the host institutions. Students are eligible for membership based on grade point average and membership in a Greek fraternity or sorority. The Society strives to uphold the high ideals of scholastic achievement and therefore, only students with a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above (on a 4.0 scale) at their junior or senior year are eligible. Gamma Sigma Alpha was founded at the University of West Georgia on April 3, 2018, with the induction of eight undergraduate chartering members.



ORDER OF OMEGA

is a co-educational, social fraternity and sorority honors fraternity. Members of the fraternity and sorority community are selected based on their dedication to fraternity and sorority life, overall scholastic record, outstanding character, and leadership initiative. Order of Omega recognizes the top three percent of fraternity and sorority leaders on campus, and is one of the greatest honors bestowed on a member of the fraternity and sorority community that they can receive.



RHO LAMBDA

The Greek letters Rho Lambda stand for Panhellenic Leadership. Those who are leaders light a torch in the darkness for others to follow, and the flame is the symbol of Rho Lambda. Rho Lambda honors women within the entire sorority community who have exhibited the highest qualities of leadership and service to the community and to their sorority. The members of Rho Lambda have furthered the ideals and principles of the fraternity and sorority community throughout their years of sorority affiliation. Rho Lambda was founded at the University of West Georgia on September 24, 2003.

HOW DO I JOIN?

Anyone interested in joining a fraternity or a sorority is encouraged to attend information sessions which occur during summer orientation and throughout the school year. This will provide prospective members an opportunity to find out more about the chapters on campus as well as the recruitment/intake process. All potential members must meet the minimum GPA requirements set by the university and the individual chapter they wish to pursue membership.

PANHELLENIC SORORITY RECRUITMENT

The seven sororities that are members of the National Panhellenic Conference participate in formal sorority recruitment each fall semester, which gives potential new members a chance to visit with each chapter and follow a fully structured schedule of events.

INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL RECRUITMENT

The nine fraternities that are members of the North American Interfraternity Conference participate in formal fraternity recruitment each fall semester, which gives men a chance to meet each IFC fraternity and its members.

MEMBERSHIP INTAKE

The eight National Pan-Hellenic Council fraternities and sororities as well as the two multicultural Greek organizations participate in membership intake. This is organized by each of the individual chapters. Any student wishing to pursue membership should attend NPHC Convocation or MGC Showcase to learn about the active chapters on UWG's campus.



PANHELLENIC SORORITY RECRUITMENT

August 15-18, 2019





- Sign-up for Panhellenic Sorority Fall Formal Recruitment at [CampusDirector](#)

- Registration closes
August 14, 2019 at 11:59 p.m.

GPA requirements	High school	College
Alpha Gamma Delta	2.5	2.5
Alpha Xi Delta	2.5	2.5
Chi Omega	2.75	2.3
Delta Zeta	2.75	2.75
Kappa Delta	2.75	2.75
Phi Mu	2.6	2.6
Sigma Kappa	2.5	2.5

PANHELLENIC SORORITY RECRUITMENT

Once you register and pay for recruitment, details will be sent to you regarding your move in schedule and times.

The registration fee for fall recruitment is \$45. You make this payment when you register for recruitment, so have that payment ready!

 **University of West Georgia College Panhellenic**

 **@uwgpanhellenic**

 **@UWGPanhellenic**

RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE

Recruitment Orientation

Thursday, August 15

The first event held for formal recruitment. It is required for all women participating in Panhellenic Formal Recruitment. At this event you will meet the members of the recruitment team, learn about Panhellenic, and get all of your questions answered about what to expect.

Open Rounds

Friday, August 16

The first day of recruitment rounds where you will get to meet all seven sororities. You will travel to each house with your Recruitment Counselor group and stay about 25 minutes in each house. Open Rounds is casual and you should wear your recruitment shirt provided by your Recruitment Counselor with comfortable shorts and shoes.

Fraternal Values

Saturday, August 17

Fraternal Values Day is where you will learn what sisterhood, philanthropy, and tradition means to each chapter. You will be able to visit up to five houses for 50 minutes each. Today is a little more formal than the first day of recruitment so a sun dress and comfortable heels or flats are appropriate.

Preference

Sunday, August 18

Preference Day is the most formal and final round of recruitment. You will be able to visit up to two chapters today to participate in their special preference ceremony, if invited. Due to the more formal nature of Preference Day, please wear a cocktail dress and nice shoes.

Bid Day

You made it! Bid Day is the grand finale of recruitment. Once you accept your bid, you go to join your new sisters! This day is a high energy day so wear comfortable shoes, shorts, and a tank top.



ALPHA

ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

Live with Purpose

UWG Founding Date: April 3, 1971

National Founding Date: May 30, 1904

Colors: Red, Buff and Green

Symbols & Flower: Squirrel, Pearl, Red and Buff Roses

National Website: alphagammadelta.org

National Philanthropy: Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation (Juvenile Diabetes)

Local Philanthropy: Carroll County Battered Women's Shelter, Diabetic Children's Camps

Campus Involvement: Intramurals, Orientation Leaders, SAC, Campus Outreach, University Ambassadors, Greek Council, Alpha Lambda Delta, Order of Omega, Rho Lambda, Rho Gamma, Greek Village House Aid, Cross-Country team, Dean's List

ALPHA XI

ALPHA XI DELTA

Inspiring Women to Realize Their Potential

UWG Founding Date: February 11, 1989

National Founding Date: April 17, 1893

Colors: Light Blue, Dark Blue and Gold

Symbol & Flower: BetXi Bear, Pink Rose

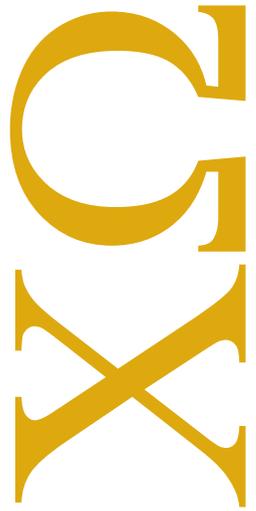
National Website: alphaxidelta.org

National Philanthropy: Autism Speaks

Local Philanthropy: Cystic Fibrosis

Campus Involvement: Student Government Association, Greek Council, Orientation Leaders, Campus Ambassadors, Campus Outreach, College Republicans, Student Judicial Board, Leadership To Go, Multiple honor sororities and academic fraternities, Intramural flag football, soccer and softball, RAs, L3 Summit Participants





CHI OMEGA

Cultivating a Lifetime of Purpose

UWG Founding Date: May 29, 1971

National Founding Date: April 5, 1895

Colors: Cardinal and Straw

Symbol & Flower: Owl, White Carnation

National Website: chiomega.com

National Philanthropy: Make-A-Wish Foundation

Local Philanthropy: Carroll Parks and Recreation

Campus Involvement: UWG Volleyball Team, Intramural softball, basketball, soccer, and flag football, Rho Gamma, Rho Lambda, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Honors College, Order of Omega, Student Government Association, Orientation Leader, Leadership To Go Advanced, BCM, Campus Outreach, University Ambassadors, UWG Tour Guides, West Georgia Regional Science and Engineering Fair, RAs, Greek Village Aid, Sports Management Society, Greek Programming Board, Emerging Leaders, Leadership Advisory Board, Delight, Concert Choir

DELTA ZETA

Giving Graciously

UWG Founding Date: November 15, 2014

National Founding Date: October 24, 1902 Colors: Rose and Green

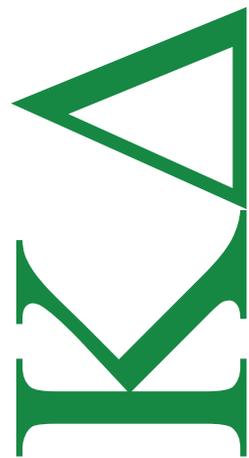
Symbols & Flower: Turtle, Diamond, Pink Killarney Rose

National Website: deltazeta.org

National Philanthropy: Speech and Hearing Impaired

Campus Involvement: Intramural sports, Rho Gamma, Rho Lambda, Gamma Sigma Alpha, Fraternal Values Society, UREC, ASL Club, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Honors College, Order of Omega, Student Government Association, Orientation Leader, Leadership To Go Advanced, Campus Outreach, UWG Tour Guides, Greek Programming Board, Emerging Leaders, Leadership Advisory Board, Campus Christian Fellowship,





KAPPA DELTA

Let Us Strive for that which is Honorable, Beautiful and Highest

UWG Founding Date: April 3, 1971

National Founding Date: October 23, 1897

Colors: Olive Green and Pearl White

Symbols & Flower: Nautilus Shell, Teddy Bear, White Rose

National Website: kappadelta.org

National Philanthropies: Girl Scouts of USA, Prevent Child Abuse America, Children's Hospital of Richmond Virginia, Orthopedic Research Awards

Local Philanthropy: Carroll County Child Advocacy Center and Local Girl Scout Troops

Campus Involvement: Panhellenic Exec, College Republicans, Rho Lambda, Campus Outreach, Campus Christian Fellowship, Student Government Association, RAs, Greek Council, Orientation Leaders, Order of Omega, Leadership Advisory Board, Dean's List, Blue Coats, SI Leaders, Tour Guides, The West Georgian Newspaper, UWG Football Recruit Team, Founding members of Her Campus UWG, and YoungLife



PHI MU

The Faithful Sisters

UWG Founding Date: February 27, 1971

National Founding Date: January 4, 1852

Colors: Rose and White

Symbols & Flower: Lion, Ladybug, Rose Carnation

National Website: phimu.org

National Philanthropy: Children's Miracle Network

Local Philanthropy: Stewart House

Campus Involvement: Rho Lambda, Panhellenic Exec, Rho Gamma, Leadership To Go, UWG Cheerleaders, UWG Tour Guides, Who's Who, Alpha Lambda Delta Business Fraternity, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, UWG Honors College, EXCEL Mentor, Order of Omega, Orientation Leaders, UWG Ambassadors, Campus Outreach, College Republicans, College Democrats, Christian Campus Fellowship, Student Activities Council, Greek Council



SIGMA KAPPA

One Heart, One Way

UWG Founding Date: April 2, 2011

National Founding Date: November 9, 1874

Colors: Maroon and Lavender

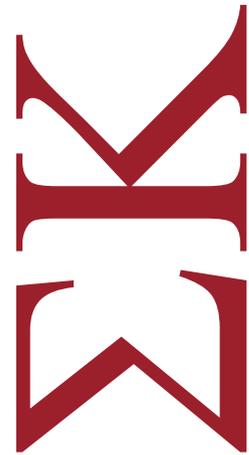
Symbols & Flower: Heart, Dove, Wild Purple Violet

National Website: sigmakappa.org

National Philanthropies: Gerontology, Inherit the Earth, Maine Seacoast Mission

Local Philanthropy: Ultra Violet Campaign

Campus Involvement: Student Government Association, Resident Assistants, UWG Cheerleading, UWG Tennis, Recruitment Counselor, Dean's List, Honors College, Greek Week, Intramurals, Campus Outreach, Delight Ministries, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, BCM, Student Activities Council, Alpha Lambda Delta, Panhellenic Executive Board, Kappa Delta Pi, The West Georgian Newspaper, Rho Lambda, Intramurals, UWG Ambassadors, UREC, Fraternal Values Society, and Order of Omega



IFC FRATERNITY RECRUITMENT

IFC Chapters are participating in 365 Recruitment. Each fraternity will have recruitment events they plan on their own and will advertise per their own discretion.

Men planning to participate in fall recruitment, there will be three nights August 20-22, 2019 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. that each of the IFC fraternities will have open house. This is a time for anyone interested in any IFC fraternity to go and visit the chapter, gain information about joining the organization, and meet the members.

All chapters will have tables at the Get the Scoop on Fraternity and Sorority Life on August 14, 2019, so perspective member may meet all chapters and their members.

In order to be eligible for rush, a perspective member must: be a full-time enrolled student (12 credit hours minimum) in UWG for classes have a 2.5 UWG adjusted GPA from high school or a 2.5 UWG GPA based on a minimum of 12 credit hours.



Follow IFC on social media for updates and upcoming events!



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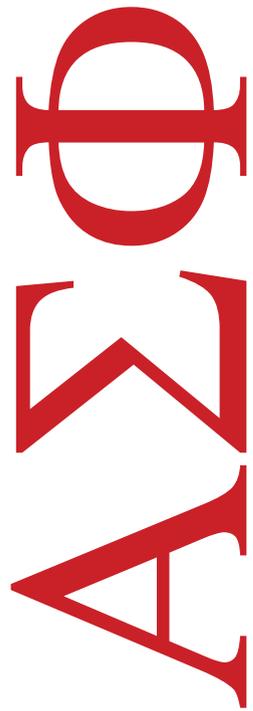
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GPA requirements	High school	College
Alpha Sigma Phi	2.7	2.5
Chi Phi	2.7	2.5
Kappa Alpha Order	2.7	2.5
Pi Kappa Alpha	2.7	2.5
Phi Delta Theta	2.75	2.75
Sigma Chi	2.7	2.5
Sigma Nu	2.75	2.5
Tau Kappa Epsilon	3.0	2.5





ALPHA SIGMA PHI

Causa Latet Vis Est Notissima

“The Cause is hidden the results are well-known”

UWG Founding Date: Colony Status

National Founding Date: December 6, 1845

Colors: Cardinal and Stone Gray

National Website: alphasigmaphi.org

National Philanthropy: RAINN (Sexual Awareness Prevention)

Local Philanthropy: Humane Society, Aware Awake Alive, Big Brothers, Big Sisters, Homes for Our Troops

Campus Involvement: Emerging Health Care Leaders, Housing and Residence Life, Supplemental Instruction Leader, eCampus, Campus Ambassadors, Student Activities Council, Student Government Association, Deans Council for Richards College of Business, and Criminology Association at UWG

CHI PHI

Truth, Honor and Personal Integrity

UWG Founding Date: May 19, 1973

National Founding Date: December 24, 1824

Colors: Royal Blue and Scarlet

National Website: chphi.org

National Philanthropy: Boys and Girls Clubs of America

Local Philanthropy: Keep Carroll Beautiful

Campus Involvement: College Republicans, IFC, SGA



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KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

Dieu at Les Dames - God and the Ladies

UWG Founding Date: September 21, 1996

National Founding Date: December 21, 1865

Colors: Crimson and Old Gold

Flowers: Crimson Rose and Magnolia Blossom

National Website: kappaalphaorder.org

National Philanthropy: Muscular Dystrophy Association

Campus Involvement: IFC, Campus Outreach



PIKKA

PI KAPPA ALPHA

Scholars, Leaders, Athletes, and Gentlemen

UWG Founding Date: April 29, 1972

National Founding Date: March 1, 1868

Colors: Garnet and Olde Gold

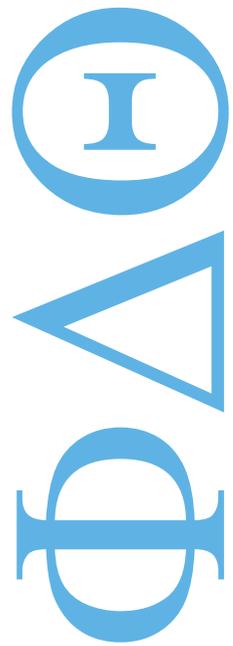
Flowers: Lily of the Valley

National Website: pikes.org

National Philanthropy: St. Jude's Children Research Hospital

Campus Involvement: IFC, Campus Outreach, Intramurals, Pre-Law Society, Student Government Association, and UWG Football





PHI DELTA THETA

Become the Greatest Version of Yourself

UWG Founding Date: March 6, 2016

National Founding Date: December 26, 1848

Colors: Azure and Argent

Flower: White Carnation

National Website: phideltatheta.org

National Philanthropy: Live Like Lou - The ALS Association

Campus Involvement: IFC, Student Government Association, Blue Coats, Homecoming Court, Order of Omega, Greek Programming Board



SIGMA CHI

In Hoc Signa Vinces - In this sign you will conquer

UWG Founding Date: December 7, 2013

National Founding Date: June 28, 1855

Colors: Blue and Old Gold

Flower: White Rose

National Website: sigmachi.org

National Philanthropies: Huntsman Cancer Institute, Children's Miracle Network

Campus Involvement: Summer Orientation Leaders, PRSSA, Intramural Sports, Campus Outreach, PAW2S, American Medical Student Association, The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Alpha Lambda Delta Honors Society, UWG Relay for Life Committee, UWG Honors College





SIGMA NU

Love, Truth and Honor

UWG Founding Date: April 14, 1972

National Founding Date: January 1, 1869

Colors: Black, Old Gold, and White

Flower: White Rose

National Website: sigmanu.org

National Philanthropy: Helping Hand Initiative

Local Philanthropy: Children's Miracle Network

Campus Involvement: Campus Center employment, Intramural Sports, Orientation Leaders, Head Staff Orientation Leaders, Ambassadors, Finance Club, Accounting Club, College Republicans, SGA, Campus Outreach, Relay for Life, Soup Kitchen, Stewart House, UWG Football, IFC Executive Council



TAU KAPPA EPSILON

Better Men for a Better World

UWG Founding Date: June 5, 1971

National Founding Date: January 10, 1899

Colors: Cherry Red and Pure Silver

Symbol & Flower: Eagle, Red Carnation

National Website: tke.org

National Philanthropy: St. Jude Children's Hospital

Local Philanthropy: Art Mecca, Alzheimer's Foundation, Relay for Life

Campus Involvement: SGA, Intramural sports, R.A.O., Marketing club, Up 'til Dawn, Dean's List, Excel mentors, RA's, BCM, Leadership to Go, Hall Councils, Enactus Business program.



MGC MEMBER INTAKE

The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) is the newest council to join Fraternity and Sorority Life at UWG. MGC consists of two organizations: Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc. (known as the Lambdas), and Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc (known as LTA or Lambda Ladies).

Lambda Theta Phi is the first and largest Latin Fraternity founded on December 1st, 1975. Lambda Theta Alpha is the first Latin Sorority, also founded on December 1, 1975.

These organizations partake in many events on campus such as community service, strolling, saluting (a form of dance that is unique to these organizations), and educating the campus about Latin culture.

Don't worry, you don't have to be of Latin descent to join these organizations! Both organizations welcome those from all walks of life to join.

MGC Showcase

August 28, 2019

4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Campus Center Meeting Room 303



UWG Multicultural Greek Council



@uwg_mgc



@UWGMGC



ΛΘΑ

LAMBDA THETA ALPHA

Unity, Love, and Respect

UWG Founding Date: April 12, 2014

National Founding Date: December 1, 1975

Colors: Burgundy and Grey

Symbol & Flower: La Luna, La Concha, La Perla, La Palma

National Website: lambdalady.org

National Philanthropy: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

ΛΘΦ

LAMBDA THETA PHI

Chivalry Above Self

UWG Founding Date: July 8, 2012

National Founding Date: December 1, 1975

Colors: Brown and White

Symbol & Flower: Conquistador, White Carnation

National Website: lambda1975.org

National Philanthropies: American Heart Association

Local Philanthropy: Keep Carroll Beautiful



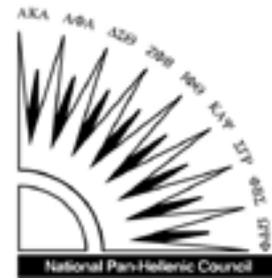
NPHC MEMBERSHIP INTAKE

The UWG National Pan-Hellenic Council, Incorporated (NPHC) is composed of even International Greek-letter fraternities and sororities: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc., Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., and Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc. The NPHC organizations are sometimes collectively referred to as the “Divine Nine”.

The council promotes interaction through forums, meetings, and other mediums for the exchange of information and engages in cooperative programming and initiatives through various activities and functions.

Bringing new members into the NPHC affiliate organization is based upon the aspirant’s possession of specific qualifications. Individual chapters must be guided by membership identification and selection standards that will promote the building of a strong and effective chapter.

Each affiliate organization implements the guidelines and details of its own membership intake process. Any violations of an organization’s set program should be referred directly to that organization’s leadership or national headquarters. The final pledge is the oath of allegiance taken by a candidate from which he/she cannot withdraw. Each organization has its own ceremony and ritual, with the objective that this rite is intended to be impressive.



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NPHC CONVOCATION

September 11, 2019
7:00 p.m.
Campus Center Ballrooms

GPA Requirement:

All NPHC organizations require a full-time student with a 2.5 GPA or higher and at least 12 completed UWG hours

If a student is interested in pursuing NPHC membership, they must attend NPHC Convocation within the year they are to begin their process.



AΦA

ALPHA PHI ALPHA

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

UWG Founding Date: July 21, 2008

National Founding Date: December 4, 1906

Colors: Black and Old Gold

Symbol & Flower: Great Sphinx of Giza, Yellow Rose

National Website: alpha-phi-alpha.com

National Philanthropies: Project Alpha, A Voteless People is a Hopeless People, Go-To-High School, Go-to-College, March of Dimes, and Brother's Keeper

Local Philanthropy: Carrollton Boys and Girls Club

Campus Involvement: Student Government Association, Student Activities Council, Black Men With Initiative, Peer Educator, Students in Free Enterprise, Management Club, Phi Sigma Pi, MAP, Greek Council, African Student Association, AMSA, Sports Management Society, Student Ambassadors, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Who's Who, Alpha Lambda Delta, chemistry workshop leaders, SIFE, Up 'Til Dawn, Order of Omega

AKA

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA

By Culture and By Merit

UWG Founding Date: March 22, 1976

National Founding Date: January 15, 1908

Colors: Salmon Pink and Apple Green

Symbol & Flower: Ivy Leaf, Tea Rose

National Website: aka1908.com

National Philanthropy: Emerging Young Leaders

Local Philanthropies: Canned Food Drive, raised relief money for Japan, Shoe Drive, picked up trash, Reading Bowl, Boys and Girls Club, Parade Walk, Relay for Life, American Heart Association

Campus Involvement: Black Student Alliance, University of West Georgia Softball, Dance Team, Student Government Association, Resident Assistants, Phi Sigma Pi, Alpha Kappa Psi, Women of Diversity, Gamma Sigma Sigma and Student Council, Greek Council, Kappa Delta Pi, Tour Guide, Orientation Leaders



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OMEGA PSI PHI

Friendship is Essential to the Soul

UWG Founding Date: December 19, 1976

National Founding Date: November 17, 1911

Colors: Royal Purple and Old Gold

Symbol & Flower: Bulldog, African Violet

National Website: omegapsiphifraternity.org

National Philanthropies: National Merit Scholarship, NAACP, National March of Dimes

Local Philanthropies: Boys and Girls Club, Carroll County Housing Authority

Campus Involvement: Clothes drive, Safe Treat, Yard Show, Step Show



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DELTA SIGMA THETA

Intelligence is the Torch of Wisdom

UWG Founding Date: May 26, 1973

National Founding Date: January 13, 1913

Colors: Crimson and Creme

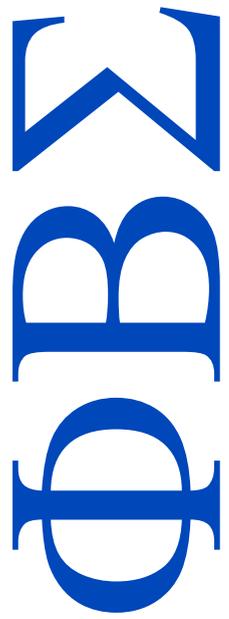
Symbol & Flower: Fortitude, African Violet

National Website: deltasigmatheta.org

National Philanthropy: Delta Research and Educational Foundation

Campus Involvement: MAP award winners, Student Activities Council, Women of Diversity





PHI BETA SIGMA

Culture for Service and Service for Humanity

UWG Founding Date: March 28, 1982

National Founding Date: January 9, 1914

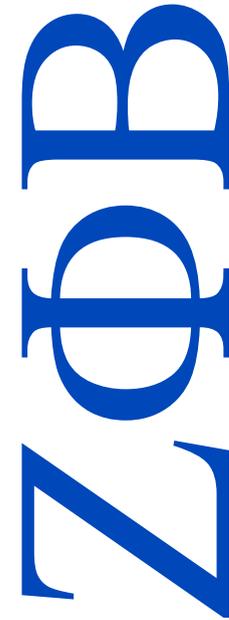
Colors: Royal Blue and Pure White

Symbol & Flower: Dove, White Carnation

National Website: phibetasigma1914.org

National Philanthropy: Bigger and Better Business, Social Action and Education

Local Philanthropy: March of Dimes



ZETA PHI BETA

A Community-Conscious, Action-Oriented Organization

UWG Founding Date: May 8, 1987

National Founding Date: January 16, 1920

Colors: Royal Blue and Pure White

Symbol & Flower: Dove, White Rose

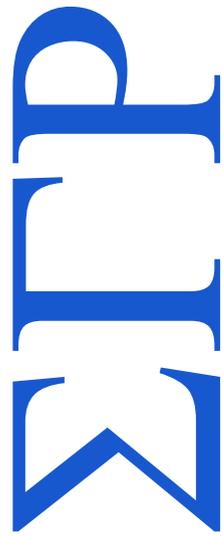
National Website: zphib1920.org

National Philanthropy: March of Dimes

Local Philanthropy: Ladies of the Dove Mentor Program

Campus Involvement: Along with monthly community service and informative programs, SAC, NAACP, Mass Communications Society, Residence Life and BSA





SIGMA GAMMA RHO

Greater Service, Greater Progress

UWG Founding Date: February 24, 1989

National Founding Date: November 12, 1922

Colors: Royal Blue and Antique Gold

Symbol & Flower: French Toy Poodle, Yellow Tea Rose

National Website: sgrho1922.org

National Philanthropy: March of Dimes

Local Philanthropies: Vision Walk



IOTA PHI THETA

Building a Tradition, Not Resting Upon One

UWG Founding Date: July 27, 2004

National Founding Date: September 19, 1963

Colors: Charcoal Brown and Gilded Gold

Symbol & Flower: Centaur, Yellow Rose

National Website: iotaphitheta.org

National Philanthropy: IOTA Youth Alliance, American Red Cross, and St. Jude's Research

Local Philanthropy: Positive Response

Campus Involvement: H.I.V. Awareness, NPHC, NAACP, Freeverse, Positive Response, UTV, President Student Advisory Council, Student Government Association, University Ambassadors, Orientation Leaders



UWG FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE HISTORY



Fall 1967 – Phi Sigma Delta was the first local social sorority to be established at West Georgia

January 1968 – The Cavaliers became the first local social fraternity at West Georgia (later became Pi Kappa Alpha)

December 1970 – Delta Kappa (local fraternity) became an official colony of Sigma Nu, establishing them as the first fraternity at West Georgia to accept a bid from a national social fraternity.

February 1971 – Phi Mu chartered (Gamma Rho Chapter)

April 1971 – Kappa Sigma chartered (Lambda Delta Chapter) from Sigma Alpha Omega (local fraternity)

April 1971 – Alpha Gamma Delta chartered (Gamma Tau Chapter)

April 1971 – Kappa Delta chartered (Delta Psi Chapter)

May 1971 – Chi Omega chartered (Phi Kappa Chapter)

June 1971 – Tau Kappa Epsilon chartered (Xi Theta Chapter) (re-chartered on May 7, 1988)

March 1972 – Phi Beta Sigma chartered (Nu Phi Chapter)

April 1972 – Sigma Nu chartered (Theta Pi Chapter) from Delta Kappa

April 1972 – Pi Kappa Alpha chartered the Eta Sigma Chapter (previously Cavaliers)

May 1973 – Chi Phi chartered (Alpha Zeta Chapter)

May 1973 – Delta Sigma Theta chartered (Kappa Delta Chapter) (re-chartered 2010)

May 1976 – Alpha Kappa Alpha chartered (Kappa Tau Chapter) (re-chartered November 2010)

March 1986 – Order of Omega founded (Theta Epsilon Chapter)

May 1987 – Zeta Phi Beta chartered (Omicron Nu Chapter)

February 1989 – Alpha Xi Delta chartered (Zeta Omega Chapter)

February 1989 – Sigma Gamma Rho chartered (Lambda Epsilon Chapter)

September 1996 – Kappa Alpha Order chartered (Zeta Kappa Chapter)

September 2003 – Rho Lambda founded (Theta Delta Chapter)

July 2004 – Iota Phi Theta chartered (Epsilon Xi Chapter)

July 2008 – Alpha Phi Alpha chartered (Tau Chi Chapter)

August 2009 – The Greek Village opened

April 2011 – Sigma Kappa chartered (Kappa Tau Chapter)

December 2013 – Sigma Chi chartered (Sigma Chi Pi Colony)

November 2014 – Delta Zeta chartered (Pi Rho chapter)

July 2012 – Lambda Theta Phi chartered

April 2014 – Lambda Theta Alpha chartered

April 2017 – Phi Delta Theta chartered (Georgia Eta Colony)

Building Traditions Together

The University of West Georgia is fortunate to have The Village right on campus. Residents in The Village are perfectly placed steps from class while living with their fellow brothers and sisters. The Village features 15 facilities and houses over 250 students and is managed by Housing and Residence Life. The Village is a place where student organizations can create a unique community that helps create stronger bonds both between members and their respective organizations.

westga.edu/housing

Fraternity and sorority members with houses in The Village have the opportunity to live in the chapter house after you have completed your freshman residency requirement. A comprehensive fee is charged to all initiated members not living in The Village per semester by Housing and Residence Life. This fee is \$300 a semester and will appear on your tuition, fees, and charges from UWG. This fee will allow access to your organization's house and support the cost of all common living spaces inside your house such as the chapter room, kitchen, office, etc.

COST TO JOIN

Membership Dues

Please note that there is a financial commitment associated with joining a fraternity or sorority. In order to operate, chapters charge membership dues. Dues expenses are based on the organization membership is held and what the operating costs are associated with that local chapter, national organization, and any other fees associated with it.

During your new member or pledge period, you may be asked to pay an initiation, new member, or pledge fee. Don't worry, this is a one time fee and secures your membership with the chapter's national headquarters.

After initiation, there are costs associated with membership in a fraternity or sorority. When pursuing an organization, do not hesitate to inquire about the financial commitment associated with obtaining a membership before you apply, during your active membership, and after your college experience.



POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER BILL OF RIGHTS

The right to...

- be treated as an individual.
- be fully informed about the recruitment process.
- ask questions and receive true and objective answers from recruitment counselors and chapter members.
- be treated with respect.
- be treated as a capable and mature person without being patronized.
- ask “How?” and “Why?” and receive straight answers.
- have and express opinions about recruitment counselors.
- have inviolable confidentiality when sharing information with recruitment counselors.
- make informed choices without undue pressure from others.
- be fully informed about the binding agreements implicit in the acceptance and card signing.
- make one’s own choice and decision and accept full responsibility for the results of that decision.
- have a positive, safe and enriching recruitment and new member experience.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR SOCIAL FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES

In order to participate in recruitment or intake, a first-time university student must have a 2.0 UWG adjusted GPA from high school, and UWG (or transfer) students must have a 2.0 University GPA based on a minimum of 12 hours of non-developmental University work.

However, Panhellenic Councils suggest that students have a minimum of 2.5 GPA because some sororities cannot extend bids to students who have below a 2.5 UWG adjusted GPA.

Each chapter has its own guidelines however, and some have requirements as high as a 2.8 GPA. The

GPA required by IFC, MGC, and NPHC chapters is a 2.5; however, some also require a higher GPA.

A student must maintain full-time student status (minimum of 12 credit hours) during his/her new member period.

The Center for Student Involvement administers these policies. If you have questions or would like to receive a copy of the complete policy governing Fraternity and Sorority Life Organizations, contact the Center for Student Involvement in the Campus Center.

CAMPUS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE POLICY

Georgia law requires that individuals be 21 years of age or older in order to possess or consume alcoholic beverages. The University of West Georgia enforces this law. For additional information on a

student’s personal responsibility regarding alcoholic beverages, see the Student Conduct Code, Appendix A. The university’s complete alcoholic beverage policy is available [online](#).

HAZING STATEMENT

Any practices, ceremonies, behaviors or rites of induction which tend to occasion, require or allow mental or physical suffering, are prohibited.

Specifically, hazing is defined as any action taken or situation created, intentionally or unintentionally, on or off campus, which could be reasonably expected to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, ridicule, the violation of university rules and regulations, the violation of the laws or policies of the parent organization and/or the violation of any local, state, or national laws.

All rules and regulations of The University of West Georgia as well as local, state and national laws shall supersede those policies of national

or local organizations. All assessments as to the appropriateness of an action will be considered within the context of the standards of the total university community.

Activities considered to be hazing shall include one or both of the following elements: coercion, either overt or covert, and production of physical or mental discomfort in either the participant or spectators. Activities will be considered hazing even if the activity is said to be “voluntary.”

It shall be a violation for any person to haze any student in connection with or as a condition of precondition of gaining acceptance, membership, office, or other status in a school organization.

HOW TO REPORT HAZING

The University of West Georgia has a zero-tolerance to hazing policy and all fraternity and sorority headquarters forbid hazing and are committed to a membership education period that instills a sense of responsibility and concern for all members.

Hazing can be reported in the following ways:

- Hazing Hotline (844) 784-7409
- [UWG Cares Report Form](#)
- UWG Center for Student Involvement (678) 839-6526
- University Police Department (678) 839-6000





FAQS

Does Fraternity and Sorority Life take up a lot of time? Membership takes as much time as you are willing to invest. Whether it be a community service project, social event, or sporting event you will have choices outside of mandatory events as decided by each chapter. Members learn to balance their time wisely along with school work, a job, and other activities.

Will being in a fraternity or sorority affect my grades? UWG prides itself on high standards of academic achievements. Each organization has GPA requirements above adequate levels recommended by the university. Fraternities and sororities also hold study sessions, academic award ceremonies, and more.

What are the benefits of joining? Supportive friends, leadership opportunities, philanthropic projects, community service, career opportunities and becoming a part of a worldwide network are just a few of the wonderful opportunities that you will have as a fraternity or sorority member at UWG. This only begins to describe how a fraternity or sorority will positively affect your life...**and membership is for life!**



MORE QUESTIONS?
Contact the Center for Student Involvement

Call: (678) 839-6526
Email: csi@westga.edu
Visit: westga.edu

FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE TERMS

- Active** A member who has been initiated into lifelong fraternity or sorority membership and participates in chapter activities at the collegiate level
- Alumni(ae)** An initiated fraternity or sorority member who has graduated from college or withdrawn from the campus
- Badge** The pin of an initiated member or new member
- Bid** A formal invitation to membership in a fraternity or sorority
- Call or chant** An audible sound used by members to acknowledge or gain the attention of other members. Calls may vary regionally within organizations and some organizations may use more than one call.
- Chapter** The local collegiate group of a national fraternity or sorority
- Continuous Open Bidding (COB)** The period outside of formal recruitment when a fraternity or sorority with membership may extend bids.
- Collegian/Collegiate Member** A formally initiated member of a fraternity or sorority
- College Panhellenic Council (CPC)** The governing body of the seven Panhellenic sororities at UWG
- Crossed** The same as being initiated. The term means different things to different groups, but generally means crossing over from being a pledge to being a full member. Most groups record this time to the second. Term also refers to crossing the burning sands.
- Drop** The term used to refer to someone who de-pledged or stopped pledging
- Formal Recruitment** A period of structured membership selection
- Fraternity** A name applying to all Greek Letter organizations by ritual, pin, and strong ties to friendship and moral principles
- Interfraternity Council (IFC)** One of three governing body of fraternities at UWG
- Informational Meeting** A meeting to gain insight about an organization
- Intake** A discreet process that an individual goes through to become a recognized member of a NPHC or MGC organization
- Initiation** A formal ceremony that brings about the transition

- from new members to initiated members
- Legacy** A brother or sister, son or daughter, nephew or niece, grandson or granddaughter of a fraternity or sorority member
- Line** A term somewhat equal to a new member class
- National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)** Governing body of the historically African American "Divine Nine" organizations
- Neophyte** New member of an NPHC or MGC organization
- New member (Aspirant or Candidate)** A person who has promised to join a fraternity or sorority, but has not been initiated
- Multicultural Greek Council (MGC)** A council governing the culturally based organizations
- Philanthropy** A charity undertaken by fraternity or sorority chapters on a campus, community, or national level.
- Pin/Badge** The active pin is worn on the chest designating an initiated member of a certain chapter. A new member pin is similar and is used to designate a new member of a chapter.
- Potential New Member (PNM)** A person interested in being a member of a fraternity or sorority
- Preferencing** During the last part of Panhellenic sorority recruitment, a potential new member determines which particular sorority she is willing to join. The potential new member lists three sororities in her order of preference
- Quota** The specified number of new members each Panhellenic sorority can accept during formal recruitment
- Recommendation** A letter written by a member of the fraternity or sorority recommending men or women for membership
- Recruitment Counselor (RC)** A sorority member who has disaffiliated during Recruitment to assist Potential New Members. She will be assigned a group of PNMs to help guide them through the process of primary recruitment. Any RC can be used by a PNM for assistance throughout recruitment.
- Ritual** The values and beliefs by which members of an organization live which is oftentimes depicted in organizational ceremonies
- Sorority** An organization of women that emphasizes leadership and personal development, banded together for education, philanthropic, civic, and social purposes
- Stroll** (also known as party walk, party hop): A line dance done by members of cultural Greek organizations; usually done at a party or step show



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