

GREEK LIFE

FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES



FRATERNITY AND SORORITY MEMBERS AT CENTRE CAN BE FOUND LEADING CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS, PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY SERVICE, EXCELLING IN THE CLASSROOM, AND PROVIDING MEANINGFUL SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY.

WHAT'S GREEK LIFE LIKE AT CENTRE?

Centre's Greek community consists of 11 inter/national organizations (six fraternities and five sororities) dedicated to the ideals of brotherhood, sisterhood, leadership, scholastic achievement, community service, and social interaction. These organizations are led by the Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council under the guidance of the Office of Greek Life.

Centre College Greeks are active in the campus community, volunteering time and energy for community service and philanthropic endeavors, and holding many campus leadership positions.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT IF YOU DECIDE TO "GO GREEK"?

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP PROJECTS

Centre Greeks recorded more than 12,000 service hours last year. They raised more than \$60,000 for charitable organizations through fun chapter events such as 5K Runs, letter-writing campaigns, and silent auctions, to name just a few. Fundraisers benefit the United Way, Ronald McDonald House, CASA, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Other projects include mentoring at-risk local school children, and sponsoring city-wide canned-food drives.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Centre Greeks host speakers on leadership, time-management, and self-awareness; network with Centre alumni; and involve faculty and staff in chapter presentations.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Centre Greeks are involved in cookouts, campus-wide study breaks, faculty appreciation events, Homecoming dinners, intramural sports, and other on-campus functions.

WEEKLY MEETINGS

These gatherings are usually held on Sundays to plan the activities for the week.

WHAT DO YOU GAIN BY JOINING A GREEK ORGANIZATION?

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Each group has many officer positions (president, vice president, treasurer, service, recruitment chair, alumni relations, etc.) or one can join the Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils. Even after graduation, the leadership opportunities continue. For the last several years, Centre students have been chosen from hundreds of applicants across the nation to be chapter consultants for their inter/national Greek organizations. These Centre Greek alums travel to chapters across the nation, assisting them in activities associated with their Greek membership.

SCHOLARSHIP POTENTIAL

In addition to the Greek chapters at Centre, two additional Greek honorary societies, Order of Omega, and Gamma Sigma Alpha recognizes outstanding scholarship, leadership, and character.

CONTACTS FOR THE FUTURE

All of our Greek organizations are inter/national, which means that everywhere you go, you'll meet members of your fraternity or sorority from chapters at other colleges. This can make for immediate connections, which often result in job opportunities and internships.

HOW DO I JOIN?

Membership recruitment is an exciting and busy week when students can join one of the fraternities or sororities at Centre. Our Greek community is special because we give you lots of time to get to know the fraternity and sorority members before you decide to join. We call this "deferred recruitment."

Instead of having to make a decision the first week of school, interested Centre students participate in recruitment the first week of spring term. The whole idea of deferred recruitment is to allow the students to make personal connections with members of each group, gaining a more thorough idea of Greek membership and the individual chapters. This allows you the opportunity to make the most informed decision about sorority and fraternity membership.

At Centre, we like to include everybody in everything. Being Greek doesn't mean you have to give up your old friends. Likewise, staying unaffiliated doesn't stop you from having friends within the Greek community. You can be involved in Centre's social life without being in a fraternity or sorority. If you think you want to be Greek, then go for it...the choice is yours.



FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

Joining a fraternity or sorority involves a financial commitment, but chapters make a concerted effort to use funds efficiently and individual dues are significantly lower than those that you will find at chapters at other institutions. Each chapter collects dues to fund programming and leadership development opportunities for members, as well as cover operating costs such as insurance coverage, membership fees for the national organization, and supplies. Each chapter also offers payment plan options for members to help lessen the financial burden. While dues are subject to change each year, substantial increases are not typical.

VISIT CENTRE

The best way to judge Centre is to tour the campus, attend a class, talk to the professors and students, and spend the night in a residence hall. We invite you to visit and encourage you to contact the Admission Office if you have any questions.

GREEK ORGANIZATIONS AT CENTRE

FRATERNITIES

- Beta Theta Pi
- Delta Kappa Epsilon
- Phi Delta Theta
- Phi Kappa Tau
- Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- Sigma Chi

SORORITIES

- Alpha Delta Pi
- Delta Delta Delta
- Kappa Alpha Theta
- Kappa Delta
- Kappa Kappa Gamma

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