Primary Recruitment

Lamar University College Panhellenic
Joining a sorority is the beginning of new experiences. You'll make new friends and find a home away from home. Sisterhood represents bonds of friendship and unity that last a lifetime. These bonds are shared by individual chapter members and between chapters around the nation due to the history and ideals upon which each chapter is founded. Not only will you learn to live with others, but through sharing the same experiences, environment, and interests, you'll develop a very special closeness to those around you. As friends, you'll share your success, happiness, and occasional evenings just relaxing with your sisters.

Greek women's interests and concerns go beyond the confines of campus life. Sororities sponsor a multitude of activities each year that impact the local community and earn money for special philanthropies or identified projects. Each chapter also donates its time and efforts to a particular cause either locally or nationally.

One of the significant opportunities afforded by Greek membership is leadership development. Sororities are self-governing organizations, giving members numerous leadership possibilities. Each chapter uses a committee structure that allows you to be involved in all operational aspects of the sorority. Chapters also provide educational programming on topics like time management, leadership, and communication. Leadership is not only attainable through Greek organizations: many Greek women hold leadership positions across multiple student organizations at LU.

Academic achievement is a significant part of your future success. One primary purpose of the Greek community is to encourage and develop high scholastic performance among its members. Greek-letter organizations were founded on principles of successful scholarship. With academics as a priority, the Greek community recognizes the importance of directing students into special scholarship programs. Sororities offer many resources and educational opportunities to facilitate high-quality learning for their members.
Lamar University Greeks 101

CPC · College Panhellenic Council
- Alpha Chi Omega
- Alpha Delta Pi
- Alpha Omega Epsilon
- Zeta Tau Alpha

MGC · Multicultural Greek Council
- Delta Xi Nu Multicultural Sorority, Inc.
- Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, Inc.

IFC · Inter-Fraternity Council
- Alpha Tau Omega
- Kappa Alpha Order
- Pi Kappa Alpha
- Sigma Nu
- Sigma Phi Delta

NPHC · National Pan-Hellenic Council
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
- Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
- Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Benefits of Membership

Campus Activities
- Greek Week
- Homecoming
- Intramurals
- LU Athletic Events
- Philanthropy
- Community Service Projects

Social Events
- Formal Dances
- Tailgating
- Theme Dances

Leadership & Professional Development
- Officer Positions
- Event Planning
- Time Management
- Leadership Training
- Networking

Sisterhood
- Movie Nights & Dinners
- Bowling & Game Nights
- Accountability

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Alpha Delta Pi
Delta Beta Chapter
ΑΔΠ - ΔΒ

Nickname: ADPi
Founded: May 15, 1851
Colors: Azure Blue & White
Flower: Woodland Violet
Mascot: Alphie the Lion
Badge: Black Enamel Diamond with Clasped Hands
Jewel: Diamond
Philanthropy: Ronald McDonald House Charities

Alpha Chi Omega
Gamma Phi Chapter
ΑΧΩ - ΓΦ

Nickname: Alpha Chi
Founded: October 15, 1885
Symbol: Lyre
Colors: Scarlet Red & Olive Green
Flower: Red Carnation
Badge: Golden Lyre Set with Pearls
Jewel: Pearl
Philanthropy: Domestic Violence Prevention
Alpha Omega Epsilon
Pi Chapter
ΑΩΕ - Π

Nickname: AOE
Founded: November 13, 1983
Colors: Royal Blue, Silver, & White
Candidate Flower: White Carnation
Active Flower: White Rose
Alumna Flower: White Calla Lily
Mascot: Dolphin
Jewels: Blue Sapphire, Pearl, & Diamond
Philanthropy: First Robotics

Zeta Tau Alpha
Delta Sigma Chapter
ΖΤΑ - ΔΣ

Nickname: Zeta
Founded: October 15, 1898
Symbol: Five Point Crown & Strawberries
Colors: Turquoise Blue & Steel Gray
Flower: White Violet
Badge: Shield of Black Enamel on a Shield of Gold Bearing a Five Point Crown
Philanthropy: Breast Cancer Education & Awareness
F.A.Q.’s

Q: What is Panhellenic?
A: LU College Panhellenic is the cooperative campus organization of collegiate members of the 26 National Panhellenic Conference Sororities.

Q: What is Recruitment?
A: Recruitment is the mutual selection process by which sororities obtain new members.

Q: Why can't active sorority members and potential new members interact socially outside of the events during Primary Recruitment Weekend?
A: College Panhellenic Council rules state that during the primary recruitment process, anything that has to do with recruitment must only be talked about during recruitment parties.

Q: What is Philanthropy?
A: It is a service project (usually to raise money for charity) undertaken by Greek organizations on campus, local community, or national level. Most national organizations have a designated cause they serve.

Q: Is Recruitment only open to First-Year Students?
A: No! Primary recruitment is available to you no matter what your classification is on campus.

PNM Tips

- Be yourself
- Ask questions
- Don’t let other opinions influence your own
- Smile!
- Take notes after each event
- Look at the sororities as a whole, so there’s no misjudgment
- If you have any challenges, find a Rho Gamma or Panhellenic advisor
- Enjoy the recruitment experience!

LAMAR UNIVERSITY PANHELLENIC
Greek Terminology

**Active Member:** An initiated member.

**Alumna:** An initiated member who is no longer in college.

**Bid:** An invitation to membership.

**Bid Day:** The last day of recruitment when each chapter celebrates with its new members.

**Chapter:** A local group of a national or international sorority.

**CPC:** College Panhellenic Council, the governing body of LU’s Panhellenic sororities.

**CPH:** The collective of LU’s National Panhellenic Conference sorority chapters.

**Greek Council:** The governing body of LU’s Greek system. Members of all social sororities and fraternities participate.

**IFC:** Inter-Fraternity Council, LU’s governing body of the North-American Inter-Fraternity Conference (NIC) men’s fraternities.

**Initiation:** A ceremony that brings a new member to full membership.

**Legacy:** A potential new member who is related to an initiated member of a sorority (mother, grandmother, sister).

**LU:** Abbreviation for Lamar University.

**MGC:** Multicultural Greek Council, the umbrella council for LU’s multicultural and multiethnic fraternities and sororities.

**NPC:** National Panhellenic Conference, a conference body composed of delegates from 26 recognized women’s social fraternities.

**NPHC:** National Pan-Hellenic Council, a governing body of LU’s historically African-American fraternities and sororities.

**Continuous Open Bidding:** Any statement by an individual which indicates that a sorority intends or wished to pledge a potential new member.

**Philanthropy:** A charity or service project to promote human welfare.

**Primary Recruitment:** A mutual selection process where a potential new member, incoming, and/or current student, has the opportunity to better understand the Greek community, each individual chapter, and to gain membership into a Greek organization.

**New Member:** A member of a women's fraternity who is not yet an initiated member.

**Quota:** The number of members, determined by CPC, which any Greek chapter may pledge during a specified time. Each chapter has an equal opportunity to achieve quota.

**Rho Gamma:** Greek women carefully selected and trained to guide potential new members and answer any questions regarding recruitment.

**Strict Silence:** A period of time when conversation and contact between potential new members and sorority actives, new members, and alumnae is strictly limited by CPC.

**Sister:** A term used within a women's fraternity when referring to other members.
For more info about the National Panhellenic Conference, visit npcwomen.org.

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Learn about the benefits of sorority life, meet our LU chapters, and the get the details of the recruitment process at these upcoming events!

**RECRUITMENT INFO ZOOM MEETINGS**

**Zoom Meetings**
Monday, June 28, 6 pm -or- Tuesday, July 27, 6 pm -or- Tuesday, August 31, 6 pm
Visit lamar.edu/cpc for links.

**FIRST-YEAR STUDENT BLOCK PARTY**

**Week of Welcome Event**
Sunday, August 22, 5 pm–7 pm
Location: Montagne Center Parking Lot
Visit lamar.edu/wow for full Week of Welcome schedule.

**STUDENT INVOLVEMENT FAIR**

**Week of Welcome Event**
Wednesday, August 25, 4 pm–7 pm
Location: Cardinal Park at Cardinal Village

**TASTE OF RECRUITMENT**

**Week of Welcome Event**
Thursday, August 26, 6 pm–8 pm
Location: Setzer Student Center, Live Oak Ballroom
Learn about our three chapters that participate in Formal Recruitment, hear from a panel, meet your recruitment counselors, and get a free snow cone from Kona Ice. We can also help you sign-up for recruitment if you haven’t yet!
Recruitment Sneak Peek

LAST DAY TO REGISTER
Wednesday, September 1 – Closes at 5 pm

PNM RECRUITMENT ORIENTATION
Tuesday, September 7 – 5:30 pm – SSC Ballroom
Get to know the Formal Recruitment process before Open House. Learn about the PNM Bill of Rights, meet the Rho Gammas, and review the MRABA.

OPEN HOUSE – SISTERHOOD ROUND
Thursday, September 9 – 5:45 pm – Setzer Student Center
In this first round of recruitment, PNMs can interact with CPC chapters in their “own” space. Rounds will be 30 minutes in length.

PHILANTHROPY DAY
Friday, September 10 – 5 pm – SSC Ballroom
Philanthropy Day is the first invitational round of recruitment. PNM’s will meet with the chapters, specifically highlighting their philanthropic efforts and more personal introductions.

PREFERENCE ROUND
Saturday, September 11 – 12 pm – SSC Ballroom
Preference Round is the final invitational round of recruitment. PNM’s and chapter members can discuss lifelong membership and sisterhood. Rounds will be 60 minutes in length. PNMs will attend a max of two sororities today.

BID DAY
Sunday, September 12 – 1 pm – Montagne Center & Provost Umphrey Stadium
Bid Day is the culmination of Formal Recruitment. PNMs will receive their bids at the Montagne and run home to the football field to meet their new sisters!