

Sorority Recruitment 2015



What is the Women's Panhellenic Association?



Other Parts of our Community

- ◉ Interfraternity Council (IFC)
- ◉ Phi Lambda Psi
- ◉ Order of Omega

What does “aretê” mean?

It is with the following values that I take pride in being Greek, historically characterized by the concept of aretê, the principle of striving for excellence and nobility to all dimensions of character. I value integrity. I value my own individuality while also valuing loyalty to my organization and the Greek community. I value actions that honor the rituals established by our founders and that serve to inspire our future members. I value the commitment to improving the broader world in which we live. I value intellectual curiosity. I value social responsibility. I value supportive friendships and lasting memories. I pledge to continuously challenge myself and fellow Greeks to uphold these values.

Community Values

- Bystander Behavior
 - Sexual Assault Prevention
 - Alcohol and other drugs
 - Be a sister's keeper
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Scholarship
- Recruitment requirements – gpa and conduct



What is sorority life all
about?



Sisterhood

Each sorority provides its members with a unique experience, but the common thread among all organizations, regardless of the letters, is sisterhood. This special bond between sorority members, and Panhellenic women at large, helps to create a distinctive and welcoming community.



Leadership

The WashU Panhellenic community is incredibly passionate about fostering future leaders and providing its members with a wealth of leadership opportunities. Whether it is within a scholastic honors society, varsity sports team, or one of WashU's other student organizations, Greek women serve in a variety of leadership roles on campus.



Academics

Academic achievement is of the highest importance for sororities at WashU. All of our chapters emphasize the importance of high academic achievement, and challenge each of their members to live up to her highest academic potential. While the implementation of this academic importance varies by chapter, all choose to recognize academic achievement of their members and provide aid to those who many need assistance.





Involvement on Campus

Panhellenic women are actively involved in clubs and organizations such as Student Government, Relay for Life, Dance Marathon, GlobeMed, varsity and club sports, academic honoraries, religious organizations, political organizations, and so many more.



Philanthropy



Sororities host a variety of fundraisers, such as bakes sales or sports tournaments, and all of the money raised goes directly to the philanthropy effort. Many chapters also donate their time to local philanthropies to help with the betterment of the greater St. Louis community.





Social

The goal of every chapter is to bring groups of like-minded women together while instilling values, traditions, and lasting friendship within their members. Social events of all kinds allow for women to develop meaningful relationships within their chapter, the Panhellenic community, and the WashU campus as a whole.

Recruitment



Gamma Chi

The name given to all sorority actives who disaffiliate from their chapters in order to guide PNMs through recruitment without bias



January 2015

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4	5 No Contact Period begins	6	7	8 Return to campus by 5pm	9 Arete Day	10 Philanthropy Day
11	12 Classes Begin...	13 Academic Week	14 Academic Week	15 Academic Week	16 Academic Week	17 Sisterhood Day
18 Preferences Day	19 Unity Day (MLK Day, no class)	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

January 8

- You are required to be back on campus as of January 8 by 5 pm.
 - Your registration fee covers the early move in fee to move back in on this day and will allow you access to your room as early as 8:30am on January 8.
- There will be shuttle buses running from 9am to 5pm on January 8th from the airport to campus!
 - The buses will be running continuously throughout the day. Gamma Chis will be there to help you find the buses, so look out for that when you arrive.
- PNM Dinner and Meeting that evening

How it works

- Round 1: Aretê - Friday January 9
 - Attend all 8 chapters / 30 minutes per event
- Round 2: Philanthropy - Saturday January 10
 - Attend up to 6 chapters / 40 minutes per event
- Round 3: Sisterhood - Saturday January 17
 - Attend up to 4 chapters / 45 minutes per event
- Round 4: Preferences - Sunday January 18
 - Attend up to 2 chapters / 50 minutes per event
- Unity / Bid Day – Monday January 19
 - Events wrap up at 5pm

Aretê

- Jeans
- Long sleeved shirt provided by WPA
- Flats, boots, TOMS



Philanthropy

- ◉ Jeans
- ◉ Solid colored shirt, casual blouse
- ◉ Flats, boots, TOMS



Sisterhood

- Skirt or nice pants (khakis, cords, etc.)
- Nice blouse
- Flats, boots



Preferences

- Dress or nice skirt with blouse
- Flats, boots, heels



Recruitment Etiquette

- Keep an open mind! You think you know, but you have no idea.
- Five B's – outdated term....
 - bank, booze, bible (religion), boys, others include:
 - bodily functions, bad news, “beta beta” chapter
- Avoid wearing watches, perfume, chewing gum
- What to expect from active women

Helpful Tips

- Wear comfortable shoes between events
- Wear sweatpants between events
- Don't chew gum



Meet the chapters

Alpha Epsilon Phi



- Nickname: AEPHi
- Colors: Green & White
- Symbols: Giraffe, Pearl
- Philanthropy: Sharsheret, Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric Aids Foundation

Alpha Omicron Pi

- Nickname: AOPi
- Color: Cardinal
- Symbols: Ruby, Sheaf, Rose & Panda
- Philanthropy: Strike Out Arthritis!



Alpha Phi



- ◉ Nickname: A Phi
- ◉ Colors: Silver & Bordeaux
- ◉ Symbols: Ivy Leaf, Roman Lamp, Big Dipper
- ◉ Philanthropy: Women's Heart Health



Chi Omega

- ◉ Nickname: Chi O
- ◉ Colors: Cardinal & Straw
- ◉ Symbols: Owl, Skull and Crossbones
- ◉ Philanthropy: Make-A-Wish Foundation



Delta Gamma



- Nickname: DG
- Colors: Bronze, Pink & Blue
- Symbols: Anchor
- Philanthropy: Service for Sight

Kappa Delta

- Nickname: KD
- Colors: Green & White
- Symbols: Dagger
- Philanthropy: Girl Scouts of the USA



Kappa Kappa Gamma



- Nicknames: Kappa, KKG
- Colors: Light & Dark Blue
- Symbols: Key, Fleur-de-lis, Owl
- Philanthropy: Reading is Fundamental

Pi Beta Phi

- Nickname: Pi Phi
- Colors: Wine & Silver Blue
- Symbols: Arrow, Angel
- Philanthropy: Read, Lead, Achieve



Chapter Financial Obligations

New Member Semester

- Range from \$525-\$675
- Includes many one time fees – initiation fee, new member fee, etc.

Initiated Semesters

- Range from \$315-\$400
- Chapters may have additional costs for apparel, events, etc.

You may be thinking right now...

- What should I talk about during recruitment parties?
- What should I expect my recruitment days to be like?
- How do the sororities decide whom to invite back for each party?
- What if I am shy?
- I am a legacy to a sorority—is there anything special I should know?
- Do I need recommendations prior to participating in formal recruitment?
- I have heard that some sororities have different reputations—how should I handle this information?
- If I go through recruitment, am I obligated to join?

Questions?

- Ask now!
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