Welcome to GW!

An incredible number and variety of opportunities await you as you enter GW this fall. One of your greatest initial challenges will be learning how to balance all the things you want to do in college. We want you to make the most of your time at GW in the classroom, on campus, in the city, and around the world. Greek Life is one of the opportunities that can be an incredible part of your undergraduate experience. Greek Life is founded on four pillars: scholarship and intellectual development, service, leadership, and lifelong friendship.

Our Greek community is unique and can be one of the many ways that you find your place at GW! There are more than 3,000 active Greek members and 38 active chapters making up 32% of GW’s undergraduate population. The GPAs of Greek members are consistently on par or above GPAs of students who do not join a Greek organization and the Greek graduation rate is consistently higher than that of non-Greek students at GW.

Leadership, service and philanthropy are a priority to both GW and the Greek community. In 2014, Greek students at GW raised more than $313,500 and provided more than 45,750 hours of service to the community. Greek students currently hold more than 400 leadership positions on campus and many of the top leadership roles on campus are held by Greek students. The Center for Student Engagement as well as national organizations host leadership development opportunities for experienced and emerging leaders.

Becoming a member of Greek Life at GW allows you to make this big campus and even bigger city a smaller place. Fraternity and sorority members host events all across campus, on the National Mall, and in their houses throughout the year. Greek Life helps you find a home away from home. Greek Life is not just a four-year experience; the values you subscribe to and the bonds you make will last a lifetime.

Welcome to our Colonial Community and we look forward to getting to know you over your next four years at GW!

Sincerely,

Tim Miller
Associate Dean of Students
Division of Student Affairs
Dear Class of 2019,

My name is Keaton White and I am the president of the Interfraternity Council (IFC) at the George Washington University and a brother of Beta Theta Pi. As a student at the George Washington University, you are part of a group of the best and brightest students the world has to offer. Being a college student means you will have access to a number of unique opportunities. One of those opportunities is joining Greek Life, an institution that has been developing leaders for over a hundred years. Greeks, as a community, serve to help not only each other, but those around us.

The IFC represents the social men’s fraternities at GW. Our mission is simple: to advocate, collaborate, and educate. Greek Life is the largest constituency of students at GW, with almost a third of the student body participating.

This book will help you understand what the IFC can offer you and learn more about recruitment. Joining Greek Life is fun and exciting, and we hope to see you come to rush in late September. Fraternities create an environment for men to excel in academics, increase campus involvement and capitalize on leadership opportunities. The skills acquired and the networking opportunities available will not only benefit your time at GW, but will stay with you through graduation and beyond.

The best way to find out if a fraternity is where you should be is to get out there and explore! Visiting our fraternities during rush is open and casual. “Come for the food, stay for the friends.” Before GW, I never thought I’d join a fraternity. But my roommate joined Pi Kappa Phi and was having an amazing experience and I thought I’d give it a shot. I joined Beta on a whim and I now realize it’s one of best decisions I’ve ever made.

On behalf of everyone, welcome to GW and we hope to see you soon! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the IFC executive board. We look forward to seeing what you will do at GW, and hope you will join us.

Keaton White

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About the Interfraternity Council

The Interfraternity Council (IFC) at George Washington University is an affiliate of the North-American Interfraternity Conference and serves as the self-governing body representing fourteen men’s social fraternities on campus. Consisting of an executive board of seven members, position specific directors and the presidents of each fraternity, the IFC strives to promote excellence in all aspects of fraternity life and academic pursuits. Each fraternity has one vote on all issues and proposals brought before the council and each chapter president assumes the responsibility of being the primary communication link between the council and his chapter. The IFC is guided by an advisor to the Interfraternity Council, who is an experienced, full-time administrator in the Center for Student Engagement.

About the Greek Community

The Interfraternity Council constitutes over a third of the Greek community at GW. Included in the community are the Panhellenic Association and Multicultural Greek Council and their member organizations.

The Panhellenic Association (Panhel), made up of the women’s social sororities, is responsible for making policies, planning recruitment, promoting academic excellence and planning other programs. The Panhellenic Association executive board is comprised of members from its various organizations.

The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC), made up of many organizations, serves to coordinate the activities of its member chapters, promote involvement in Greek Life, support the development of individual chapters, enhance cultural awareness and encourage collaboration and communication throughout the Greek community.

If you would like additional information about these councils, please contact the Center for Student Engagement at (202) 994-6555 or email engage@gwu.edu.
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Hey Colonials,

My name is Jordi Shapiro, and I am the current Executive President of the Interfraternity Council. I am a junior from Hershey, Pennsylvania double majoring in International Affairs and Economics and a member of a fraternity.

I decided to become part of the IFC because joining a fraternity was the best and most formative decision I have made since coming to GW; not only did it give me 100 brothers that are closer than family to me, but it transformed me into the man I am today.

No matter what fraternity you choose to rush, you will not regret going Greek. Greek life at GW provides immense benefits, including lifelong friends, leadership opportunities, mentorship, and much more. Fraternities are not a requirement for a fantastic college experience, but I strongly believe that it facilitates it.

If you are even the slightest bit interested in becoming part of the Greek family here at GW, I strongly suggest going to rush events. Worst comes to worst you’ll get a free meal and who knows, maybe you’ll meet the people who will help define your college experience!

Good luck with your classes and I hope to meet you soon. If you have any questions or need any advice, the IFC is here for you. Please do not hesitate to reach out or say hello when you see us around!

Best Regards,

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Fraternity Recruitment

The Interfraternity Council conducts membership recruitment in the first month of each semester. There are two informational kickoff events and a philanthropic event that all chapters will participate in to provide interested men the opportunity to meet active members from their respective fraternity. Chapters will also host several individual events on specifically designated dates for potential members to attend and learn more about their fraternity in a more personalized setting. This will typically culminate with a bid to join the organization being offered at the end of recruitment.

Men interested in joining an IFC fraternity must have a 2.50 cumulative grade point average. Specifically, a 2.50 minimum high school GPA for those men who are coming straight from high school and a 2.50 minimum college GPA for those who are returning or transfer students. There are no exceptions to this policy, so we encourage those who do not meet the minimum GPA requirements to focus on your academics and participate in recruitment when you meet the academic requirements.

To facilitate this process, chapters are separated into two recruitment groups (Group A & Group B). Each recruitment group is designated 6 specific calendar days of recruitment over 2 weeks. Chapters typically will choose to host recruitment events during 4 of the 6 days with 2 days being invite-only. In addition, many choose to have invite-only events much sooner. Chapters are separated into these 2 recruitment groups to allow for an even distribution of events during rush and to allow interested men the opportunity to attend as many open events as possible.

Currently there is no registration fee required to participate in Formal Rush. However, students interested in IFC recruitment will need to register by completing the online registration at gwifc.com. Registration for recruitment is mandatory; meaning that you cannot participate in recruitment week and be accepted into a chapter unless you’ve registered online.

To review our recruitment groups and corresponding recruitment schedule check out gwifc.com!
Greek Life at GW

With over 155 years of tradition, 38 active organizations, and just over 3,000 members, the Greek Community at GW is one of the strongest, healthiest, and largest (for an urban institution) communities in the country!

Fraternity and sorority life is founded on four pillars: scholarship and intellectual development, service, leadership, and brotherhood/sisterhood. Many members describe it as a one-stop shopping opportunity for student involvement that complements and adds to their curricular life on campus. By joining a fraternity, members can be involved with activities that fulfill their diverse interests and help them develop into productive members of society.

Fraternities and sororities help their members hone skills and build relationships that will be important in their lives after GW. Leadership positions teach students a great deal about delegating responsibility, supervising others, and managing relationships. Members gain real-life experience in event planning, public relations, respecting differences, communication styles, vision sharing, networking, time management, and work/life balance. Scholarship and academic standards and programs help members be successful in their collegiate career at GW. New Member GPAs tend to be well above the all-First Year Student GPA and Greek students graduate at a higher rate than non-Greek students. Service and philanthropic opportunities help connect students to the GW and DC communities and instill the importance of giving back to our world. The brotherhood and sisterhood that our members experience helps create a sense of home away from home and provides students a closer community and support system.

The GW Greek Community is unlike any other community in the country. Meet some of the members, learn about the groups, and see if this is the type of ‘Only at GW’ experience you want to be involved in!

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About the Center for Student Engagement

The George Washington University’s Center for Student Engagement seeks to enhance all aspects of the student experience by fostering communities that promote learning and development to prepare students to make positive contributions in the world.

Recognizing that GW is a community of scholars, the Center for Student Engagement brings learning out of the classroom and works to implement innovative four-year, competency-based student learning outcomes that are personalized to ensure you achieve your unique goals and aspirations.

You’ll frequently interact with the Center for Student Engagement at GW. From your residential advisors (RAs) to any student organization or club sport, you’re working with a group that is advised by the CSE.

As student organizations, the IFC and its member fraternities work with the CSE every day. Helping with marketing, finances, and navigating GW policy and staff, the CSE is here to make sure that your involvement at GW is the best it can possibly be.

If you ever have any questions or need help during your career at GW, please do not hesitate to reach out to engage@gwu.edu or stop by Colonial Crossroads on the 5th floor of the Marvin Center.

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Greek Terminology

**Active**
A fully initiated member of a sorority or fraternity.

**Alumnae**
Graduated members of a sorority (singular is alumna).

**Alumni**
Graduated members of a fraternity (singular is alumnus).

**Badge**
Also known as a pin, a piece of jewelry given to initiated members worn to identify their membership in the organization. Typically worn to official events, it is only worn while in business attire, and usually worn over the heart and above all other pins.

**Bid**
A formal invitation to join a Greek organization.

**Brother**
An active member of a fraternity.

**Chapter**
A local group of a national organization.

**Fraternity**
A Greek organization for men. Many of the first founded women’s organizations are officially known as fraternities rather than sororities. Also refers to co-ed Greek organizations.

**Greek**
A sorority or fraternity member.

**Interfraternity Council (IFC)**
The governing body of social men’s fraternities.

**Initiation**
Ceremony during which new members of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), MGC and IFC organizations become active, lifelong members of their organization.

**Legacy**
A person whose parent, grandparent or sibling was an active member of a sorority or fraternity.

**Multicultural Greek Council (MGC)**
An umbrella organization at GW consisting of members of National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations (NALFO), National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) and Asian Interest Greek letter organizations on campus.
North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC)
International organization that governs 75 inter/national fraternities.

New Member
A person who has accepted a bid to an NPC, MGC or IFC organization, but has not been initiated yet.

Panhellenic Association (NPC)
An umbrella organization for 26 inter/national women’s fraternities and sororities, eight of which have chapters on GW’s campus. These groups are members of the Panhellenic Association (Panhel).

Potential New Member (PNM)
A student who is not yet part of a Greek organization, but is interested in Greek Life.

Recruitment
Formal process where interested individuals can learn more about Panhel/IFC organizations and be asked to join.

Ritual
Private ceremony of a Greek organization, and the formal document that contains the secret principles and ideals upon which the organization was founded. Only initiated members are privy to the ritual; learning the ritual is usually a part of the initiation ceremony. Ritual is sacred and unique to each inter/national organization and is the common bond between all members of a sorority or fraternity, regardless of when or where they were initiated.

Rush
Informal period where interested individuals can learn more about a Greek organization and be asked to join.

Sister
An active member of a sorority.

Sorority
A Greek letter organization for women. Many sororities are officially fraternities; however, most refer to themselves as sororities.
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

**What is a fraternity?**

A fraternity is a group of men working together as a brotherhood toward common goals and issues. Fraternities strive to develop their members’ individual talents and skills to better prepare them for life after graduation.

**What is Fraternity Recruitment?**

Recruitment, also known as “Rush,” is the activity by which fraternities seek new members. Fall formal recruitment consists of two weeks of “rush” events put on by each of the IFC-recognized chapters on campus. Each chapter has specific nights that are open to all GW men interested in joining a fraternity. Following the open nights are traditionally two invitation-only nights that each chapter hosts. One of these nights is typically an interview night. Bids (invitations) to join a fraternity are only allowed to be given beginning at the end of the recruitment period.

**What is a bid?**

A bid is an invitation to join a fraternity. Bids may be extended to a potential new member after the fraternity has gotten to know him. Potential new members (PNM) should not feel pressured or obligated to accept a bid. PNMs may receive numerous bids from different fraternities, but can only accept one. Potential new members are encouraged to meet as many fraternity men as possible and should not concentrate on obtaining a bid from a single fraternity. Rushing more than one fraternity allows a potential new member to meet many new people during the recruitment process, even if he does not receive or accept a bid from a group.

**How does fraternity housing work?**

Many IFC fraternities have housing, either through the university or privately owned. IFC townhouses can be seen in Townhouse Row across from Shenkman Hall, as well as on 22nd and 21st street. Some fraternities also have allocated space in residence halls. Living in fraternity housing is up to your chapter and is an important discussion topic during rush! Freshmen students are not eligible to live in Greek housing.
If I go through recruitment, do I have to join a fraternity?

Although a majority of potential new members will join a fraternity during the fall semester, it is not required. Many fraternities will be a part of another round of recruitment in January, and you may have the opportunity to join then as well.

What type of clothing should I wear during recruitment?

There is no set dress code, but individuals going through recruitment generally wear smart, casual attire. No suits or ties are required, however a chapter may ask that one be worn during a final invite night.

Do I need a recommendation to join a fraternity?

Fraternities generally do not require any recommendations. However, if recommendations are solicited, they should be sent to the chapter house or the IFC.

How much does a fraternity cost?

The cost of fraternity dues and fees vary from chapter to chapter. Chapter dues are used to pay yearly insurance, national fees and services, philanthropy and community service projects, fraternity leadership schools, academic scholarships and help in defraying the costs of alumni, parent and social events. For spring 2014, average costs were as follows:

$540 for new members in their first semester
$500 per semester*

These are average numbers. Each fraternity will have its exact costs that can be provided upon request. Many chapters also offer payment plans and scholarships. Information on this is available upon request.

*Not including housing fees, which vary if a chapter has their own house or live in university-owned properties.
Why a Fraternity?

Academics

Fraternities at the George Washington University realize that excelling in academics is the top priority for all students and their families. The grade point average of each fraternity is ranked, published and available to anyone who seeks it. Fraternity life offers a wide variety of academic advantages including tutoring programs, peer advisement and in-house study hours. Fraternity members also have the opportunity to receive a multitude of chapter scholarships, individual and chapter academic awards and numerous scholarships and awards from their international organizations.

Leadership

The George Washington University fraternity system is dedicated to building future leaders by providing numerous leadership opportunities. Campus leaders include men involved in the GW Student Association, Program Board, Varsity and Club Athletics, College Democrats, College Republicans, Colonial Cabinet and many other organizations on campus. Information on each chapter’s involvement in the GW community is available upon request.

Community Service and Philanthropy

One of the founding principles of every fraternity is giving of yourself in service to the community. In 2014, 45,750 hours of service were performed and $313,500 philanthropic dollars were raised by fraternity men at GW. Each chapter has designated national and local philanthropic organizations, as well
as a vast range of community service projects where chapters volunteer on a weekly basis.

**Intramurals and Athletics**

Intramurals are a very exciting aspect of fraternity life. Although open to all students, the strongest competition is among IFC organizations, which compete throughout the year with the ultimate goal of being the fraternity Pikus Cup champion. Apart from GW intramurals, fraternity men also participate in philanthropic, Interfraternity sporting events. Athletics prove to be important physical and mental outlets for students and help improve self-confidence and develop teamwork. Through competition, intramurals continue to help build brotherhood and school spirit at GW.

**Brotherhood**

IFC men and IFC chapters were founded as a network of support for men who were going through similar experiences. Being a fraternity man is a great way to enhance the general college experience through brotherhood and friendship. Brotherhood means building bonds between members of the Greek community and working towards the shared goal of a better campus for all. Some of the best friends one will ever make are fellow fraternity brothers and other members of the Greek community.

**Social Life**

Social life is a visible portion of Greek Life that is excellent for acclimating students to the university. Fraternities
are very busy with alumni weekends, parents weekends, formals and date nights. Fraternities also host mixers, thematic weekends, club events and dinners. Social events give the fraternity man an opportunity to meet new and exciting people while building lifelong friendships.

Diversity
The Greek community at the George Washington University is comprised of a diverse group of individuals coming together to work for a common goal. The IFC is committed to educating its members about the value of living in a global community. The Greek community sponsors a variety programs to educate their members on diversity and inclusion.

Alumni and Career
Brotherhood continues throughout life as one enters into alumnus status. Fraternity alumni are considerably the most loyal of all Colonials, both to the university and to their Greek peers. Alumni enjoy returning to Foggy Bottom and visiting the university and their chapter house. Through alumni, the fraternity network extends across the world and is helpful in gaining employment or when relocating to a new area. GW fraternity men utilize their alumni networks to help them find internships and jobs during their four years as an undergraduate. Whether it is a government agency or a Fortune 500 company, there is bound to be a GW fraternity alumnus that works there and will help with a job search.

Social Responsibility and Hazing Policy

Social Responsibility
Fraternities offer a wide range of social activities and programs for their members. Fraternities have also taken responsibility by utilizing risk management procedures to decrease the potential for accidents at their events. Each chapter follows a social policy developed by its national organization in addition to the policies of the IFC and the university. The IFC is committed to helping the fraternities maintain a safe and responsible environment that contributes to the lifelong friendships unique to the Greek community.

Dry Recruitment
No one in any way connected to the fraternity may serve or partake in the consumption of alcohol or other illegal substances in the presence of a potential new member during recruitment. Any potential new member violating the recruitment rules is subject to suspension from recruitment and will not be allowed to join a fraternity.

Alcohol
Each chapter maintains a responsible social policy that promotes enjoyable social activities in a safe environment. The university also has a closed event policy that opposes the misuse of alcohol and maintains that all chapters, individual members and guests must abide by federal and local laws and university regulations. All chapters work to educate and foster a better understanding of social responsibility and alcohol education for their members. The IFC is committed to helping organizations maintain balanced social programs that contribute to personal development and do not detract from the university’s
educational mission.

**GW Hazing Prevention**

Here at GW, the campus culture and physical setting does not support hazing activities. Recent reports show that much of the most serious hazing incidents happening today are taking place in high schools, and students are bringing that experience with them to college. In addition, there are several indicators of concern with fraternities who are operating without the recognition or support of their institution or a national organization. It is imperative that we continue to work to keep hazing out of the George Washington University, and to eliminate any hazing activities, however small, from taking root in our community.

We have established a confidential hazing reporting process (https://greeklife.gwu.edu/confidential-hazing-report-form) for anyone who becomes aware of suspected hazing activity on campus. Every report will be treated with respect and will be addressed by the Center for Student Engagement and the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities.

**GW Hazing Policy**

Hazing is any action taken or situation created intentionally, with or without consent, whether on or off campus, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule. Groups will be held responsible for the actions of their members, including new members, associates and any other pre-initiates.

The negligence or consent of the student/participant or any assumption of risk by the student/participant is not a defense to an action brought pursuant to the policy.

The adjudicating officer or body, not the alleged victim, will determine whether the action taken or situation created violated university policy.
Beta Theta Pi (Beta)

Motto
To Develop Men of Principle for a Principled Life

Notable Betas
Beta Theta Pi has had more elected officials, Olympic gold medalists, Fortune 500 CEOs, and Rhodes Scholars than any other fraternity. Prominent alumni include legendary basketball coach John Wooden, Walmart founder Sam Walton, composer Stephen Sondheim, and Senators Richard Lugar, Michael Bennet, and Bill Nelson.

Philanthropic Achievements
In 2015, through their annual Beta Cup, the chapter raised over $13,000 to benefit the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI).

Housing
Beta has an on-campus chapter house located on 22nd Street right across from the Smith Center. Also on campus, they have the 9th floor of the International House.

Awards
In 2014 the chapter received the John Reilly Knox Award, Beta Theta Pi’s highest national honor. In 2015, the chapter received top honors from GW for Campus Leadership and Involvement and Housing Operations.
Delta Tau Delta (Delt)

Motto
Committed to Lives of Excellence

Core Values
Truth, Courage, Faith and Power

Notable Dels
Notable Delt alumni include Academy Award winner Matthew McConaughey, Wisconsin Representative and former Vice Presidential Candidate Paul Ryan, television host Drew Carey, and actor Will Ferrell.

Philanthropic Achievements
JDRF, a research foundation dedicated to creating a world without Type-1 Diabetes, is Delta Tau Delta’s national philanthropy. Within the last year, the chapter has also supported the Katie Moore Foundation and the American Cancer Society. Across their philanthropy events and Relay for Life, they raised over $30,000 last year. In the spring semester they served over 2900 hours to the community with an average of over 10 hours per brother.

Housing
Delta Tau Delta’s house, or Shelter, is located on the corner of 22nd and F Streets. The Delt Shelter is one of the largest privately owned fraternity houses on campus.
Kappa Alpha Order (KA)

Motto
Dieu et Les Dames (God and the Ladies)

Notable KAs
Ken May, CEO of Topgolf and COO of Krispy Creme, chairman of the March of Dimes and former CEO of Fedex Kinkos; Four Star General George S. Patton; talk show host Charlie Rose; and first director of the FBI and most notable Alpha Nu alumni, J. Edgar Hoover.

Philanthropic Achievements
The chapter raises money and awareness to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association, KA’s national philanthropy.

Housing
The Alpha Nu Chapter has an on-campus townhouse at 605 22nd Street. Additionally, the chapter has a floor in International House.

Interesting Facts
Each potential new member must receive a unanimous vote of 100% approval in order to join. Once in the fraternity, it is each brother’s responsibility to take on at least 5 hours of community service outside its own philanthropy events.
Kappa Sigma (Kappa Sig)

Motto
Bononia Docet

Core Values
Leadership, Scholarship, Fellowship, and Service

Notable Kappa Sigs
GW Kappa Sig alumni include Barton H. Kogan, namesake of GW’s Kogan Plaza; Reggie Brown, CEO of Snapchat; singer Jimmy Buffet; Daniel Rudeger “Rudy”; and WWII POW and olympian, Louis Zamperini.

Philanthropic Achievements
Last fall, during Kappa Sig’s 3rd Annual Shave Away Cancer Event, they raised more than $50,000 for childhood cancer research. This past spring, they raised more than $20,000 for Project Valor, benefiting veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

Housing
Kappa Sigma has a chapter house for 28 students in GW’s Building JJ, featuring rooms with kitchens and living rooms. It’s the most unique university-owned chapter house on campus!
Lambda Chi Alpha (Lambda Chi)

Motto
Every Man a Man

Notable Lambda Chis
Lambda Chi’s national alumni include President Harry S. Truman, Congressman Ron Paul and country singer Kenny Chesney.

Philanthropic Achievements
Lambda Chi raises money for Feeding America through its annual Watermelon Bash event.

Housing
The chapter has a floor in the International House residence hall.
Phi Kappa Psi (Phi Psi)

Motto
Live Ever Die Never

Core Values
Honor, Truth, and Service

Notable Phi Psis
Phi Psi’s alumni include President Woodrow Wilson, Mayor Michael Bloomberg, 2013 Grand Chapter Speaker and Actor, Zach Braff and 2015 grand Chapter Speaker and Olympic swimmer, Mark Spitz.

Philanthropic Achievements
Phi Psi annually supports Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS), an organization dedicated to counseling military families after the death of a loved one while serving in the Armed Forces. Over the past four years they have raised more than $35,000 for TAPS during their spring philanthropy week, Phi Psi for GIs.

Housing
Phi Psi is one of three fraternities located on Townhouse Row. Townhouse 607 G sleeps 24 members and provides the fraternity with a centralized campus location for meetings, brotherhood events, or hanging out between classes.
Phi Sigma Kappa (PSK)

**Motto**
Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You

**Core Values**
Brotherhood, Scholarship and Character

**Notable PSKs**
Phi Sigma Kappa boasts some of the most prominent alumni from GW, including House Majority Leader Eric Cantor and actor T.J. Miller.

**Housing**
Phi Sigma Kappa is proud to be one of the few fraternities on campus to still own their own chapter house, located at the corner of 21st and F streets. It has been maintained and managed by their alumni club since 1975.
Pi Kappa Alpha (Pike)

Motto
Scholars, Leaders, Athletes, Gentlemen

Notable Pikes
Some of Pi Kappa Alpha’s prominent alumni include republican strategist and White House Chief of Staff Karl Rove, host of The Daily Show Jon Stewart and country music star Tim McGraw.

Philanthropic Achievements
Pike has raised over $300,000 for the D.C. Firefighters Burn Foundation over the past nine years through their nationally recognized philanthropy event, Fireman’s Challenge.

Housing
Pike has a floor in the International House residence hall.

Athletics
The Delta Alpha Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha is the most decorated of all GW fraternities in terms of athletic achievements. The chapter has won the Pikus Cup a record nine times. The award is named after the late Ken Pikus, a Fall 1990 initiate of the Delta Alpha Chapter. Pike dedicates each season of interfraternity athletic competition to Brother Pikus and his family.

ΠΚΑ
Pi Kappa Phi (Pi Kapp)

Motto
We Will Lead

Core Values
Men of Character, Leadership, Achievement, Scholarship, Service (C.L.A.S.S.)

Notable Pi Kapps
Pi Kappa Phi national notable alumni include former South Carolina Governor Carroll A. Campbell, Jr., Congressman Howard Coble, all-star outfielder Jim Edmonds, Senator Lindsey Graham and former Wisconsin Governor and Earth Day founder Gaylord Nelson.

Philanthropic Achievements
Pi Kapp’s national philanthropy is The Ability Experience which helps people with disabilities. They are the only fraternity whose national organization has its own philanthropy, allowing for all money to go directly to helping people. This year they raised $15,000 and completed over 600 hours of community service.

Housing
607C on Townhouse Row is the Pi Kapp House, which they have had since their chartering in 2002.

Awards
Pi Kapp was honored with the 2013 and 2014 GW Chapter of the Year award and were winners of the intermural Pikus Cup for the 2014-2015 school year.
Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Motto
Phi Alpha

Core Value
“True Gentlemen”

Notable SAEs
Goldman Sachs CEO Henry Paulson, President William McKinley, and the head coach of the Super Bowl, Champion Seattle, Pete Carroll, are among the most prominent SAE alumni.

Philanthropic Achievements
SAE’s national philanthropy is the Children’s Miracle Network, an organization that works to raise money for children’s hospitals and medical research.

Interesting Facts
SAE founded Greek Life at the George Washington University in 1858. The fraternity no longer has a pledge process. Instead members are initiated and granted privileges of a full member only days after recruitment and educated on the fraternity values throughout their entire duration as a member. SAE is one of the largest fraternities in the country giving access to a wide network of brothers and alumni.

Awards
Recognized by SAE national as most improved chapter in the region over the past year.
Sigma Chi

Friendship, Justice, Learning

Notable Sigma Chis
Sigma Chi alumni include actor John Wayne, actor and humanitarian Brad Pitt, New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew Brees and head coach Sean Payton, comedian and Late Night host David Letterman, GW professor and Ambassador Edward “Skip” Gnehm (GW ‘66) and Senator Mike Enzi (GW ‘68).

Philanthropic Achievements
Derby Days 2014 raised $84,000 for the Huntsman Cancer Foundation, breaking the school and national fraternity’s records.

Housing
The chapter is lucky to call the largest townhouse on Greek Row home and the only chapter on campus to occupy both university housing and a privately owned chapter house located directly diagonal from the Smith Center at 2156 F Street.

Awards
Sigma Chi is a Thomas Cowan Bell Award recipient.
Sigma Nu

Motto
Love, Honor, Truth

Notable Sigma Nus
American television game show host Bob Barker, New York Giants quarterback Eli Manning, former New Orleans Saints quarterback Archie Manning, and actor Harrison Ford are some of Sigma Nu’s prominent alumni.

Housing
Sigma Nu has a townhouse on 22nd Street NW.

Interesting Fact
Sigma Nu is the oldest continuously operating chapter on GW’s Campus, celebrating 100 years on campus.
Sigma Phi Epsilon (SigEp)

Motto
Building Balanced Men

Notable Sig Eps
SigEp alumni include Theodor “Dr. Seuss” Geisel; founder and Chairman of Wendy’s, R. David Thomas; McDonald’s Chairman Fred Turner; Merrill Lynch CEO and Chairman, William Schreyer; Chairman and CEO of Ford, Harold Poling; and Macy’s CEO Terry Lundgren.

Housing
SigEp has a floor in International House.

Philanthropic Achievements
SigEp’s philanthropy organizations are the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Washington DC and The National Breast Cancer Research Foundation. This year, SigEp raised over $17,000 for breast cancer research and members dedicated over 100 hours of volunteering for the Greater DC Boys and Girls Clubs.

Awards
SigEp won fraternity of the year at GW and was ranked with Gold for Philanthropy/Service, Academic Excellence, and Membership Development. The chapter also ranked either Bronze or Silver in each of the other three categories.
Zeta Beta Tau (ZBT)

Motto
Powerhouse of Excellence

Core Values
Intellectual Awareness, Social Responsibility, Integrity, Brotherly Love

Notable ZBTs

Philanthropic Achievements
Each year ZBT rolls a giant 6 foot beach ball around campus collecting signatures in support of Children Miracle Network. This past year, over $12,000 was raised.

Housing
ZBT has a chapter house at 605 21st Street NW.

Awards
The chapter was the recipient of the 2015 Greek Unity Award.
Check the IFC Website, Facebook and Twitter for information and how to register for recruitment!

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