Shippensburg University Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life
Recruitment Guidelines
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Potential New Member (PNM) Eligibility

- PNM must have at least a 2.3 QPA and 12 completed SU credits. Transfer students must have 12 completed credits from their previous accredited institution. AP credits earned in high school will be considered on a case by case basis.

- PNM must complete a registration form to be considered for recruitment. Individual organizations will be responsible for the completion and turning in of these forms after the completion of Council sponsored recruitment events.

- No invitations for membership may be distributed until the Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life has given approval. Individuals who receive invitations for membership without a grade clearance are not recognized as members of the Greek community until an eligibility check has been performed.

PNM Contact

- PNM contact is not restricted – chapter/colony members may contact PNMs in person, on the phone, via text messaging or social networking sites.

- PNM contact from chapter members should be friendly and limited to necessary contact. PNMs should not be made to feel pressured or otherwise uncomfortable as a result of contact from chapter members.

- Contact with PNMs and members of other fraternities/sororities should be interfraternal in spirit. Knowingly providing inaccurate or otherwise inappropriate information about another fraternity/sorority to a PNM is prohibited.

PR/Marketing

- Both chapters/colonies, and their respective Councils, will conduct marketing efforts.

- ALL marketing efforts should be positive in nature and include information about fraternity/sorority life.

Alcohol

- The use of alcohol is prohibited in ALL membership recruitment and Bid Day activities

- Chapters/colonies and their members and alumni are expected to be familiar with and follow all University, Inter/National organization guidelines and, where appropriate, all National Panhellenic Conference Unanimous Agreements.
Weather

- In the event of inclement weather:
  - If the University closes all recruitment events will be cancelled.
  - If classes are cancelled but the University remains open, recruitment events may continue as scheduled. The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life reserves the right to cancel or postpone recruitment events if it is believed the safety of chapter/colony members, Council officers or PNMs will be put in jeopardy.
  - If there is a need for recruitment events to be cancelled, chapters/colonies will be given the opportunity to reschedule these events.

Violations of Recruitment Guidelines

- The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life attempts to consistently apply judicial sanctions. As such, there are established guidelines that guide the decisions of the judicial officers and judicial boards in the area of fraternity/sorority life. These guidelines may apply to individuals as well as the groups and group’s officers.

- Violations of these Recruitment Guidelines will be adjudicated by the process outlined in Swataney, the Shippensburg University Student Handbook. Organizations found to be in violation may also face additional sanctions from their governing council and/or Inter/National Headquarters.