



ESTABLISHING AN INTEREST GROUP



SIGMA PI FRATERNITY

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Sigma Pi Fraternity prides itself on being excellent in everything that we do. We do this by living out our values everyday, and by doing so, we set the standard for fraternities on any given campus. To ensure that our colonies are the best groups on their respective campuses, the Fraternity’s colony development program includes requirements for interest groups petitioning to colonize. Depending on the institution, the interest group may be required to petition the Executive Office, the operation arm of the Fraternity, to approve a colonization. This petition should

primarily describe the interest group’s progress through these requirements.

The interest group requirements will drive the group’s growth and become the foundation of future success. There are resources available to enable interest groups to meet these requirements in a timely manner. The Fraternity’s Director of Strategic Growth oversees the interest group process, working with the group and its leaders through the pre-colonization phase. He will continue to guide them as they strive to become a full chapter of Sigma Pi Fraternity.

Interest Group Goals

- Academic Excellence
 - » Group GPA above both the campus’s All-Male and All-Fraternity Average GPAs
- New Member Recruitment Plan (Values-Based)
 - » Participate in recruitment training
 - » Host at least three recruitment events
 - » Amass a recruitment ‘names list’ of at least 100 men (ChapterBuilder)
- Promote Fellowship & Inspire service
 - » Organize and conduct a philanthropy event benefiting a charitable organization- preferably a mental health or suicide prevention event
 - » Organize and conduct a service event in the local community
 - » 80% of the interest group must attend an educational event; the event should focus on: personal development/ professional development (i.e. health, study skills, professional development, etc.), or other educational workshops
 - » Hold a formal (coat-and-tie) brotherhood dinner
 - » Hold weekly brotherhood events to build camaraderie

Recommended Interest Group Requirements

Host bi-weekly group meetings

Elect officers, focusing initially on: President, Treasurer, and Secretary

Establish committees:

- Recruitment
- New Member Education
- Philanthropy/Service
- Scholarship
- Brotherhood

Begin the Registration process with the university as a recognized student organization

Create documentation:

- Create a budget and establish member dues
- Create and submit values-based criteria for new member recruitment
- Create bylaws; these should include a mission statement for the interest group

Sign the Fraternity’s Risk Management Agreement and follow FIPG Guidelines

Maintain a roster size of 25 active members OR the Campus Average OR at the discretion of the Executive Office

Meet the following obligations:

- Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA (3.0 is preferred)
- Active participation in at least one other recognized student organization
- 12 hours of documented community service
- Payment of all dues to the interest group
- Payment of the \$150 pledging fee (due upon colonization)
- Payment of the \$350 initiation fee (due upon chartering)



Our Mission

To advance man’s quest for excellence

Our Vision

Our men will strive for excellence by living our core values.

Our Core Values

Promote fellowship

Develop character and leadership

Advance heightened moral awareness

Enable academic achievement

Inspire service

Our Core Values

I believe in Sigma Pi, a Fellowship of kindred minds, united in Brotherhood to advance Truth and Justice, to promote Scholarship, to encourage Chivalry, to diffuse Culture, and to develop Character, in the Service of God and Man; and I will strive to make real the Fraternity’s ideals in my own daily life.