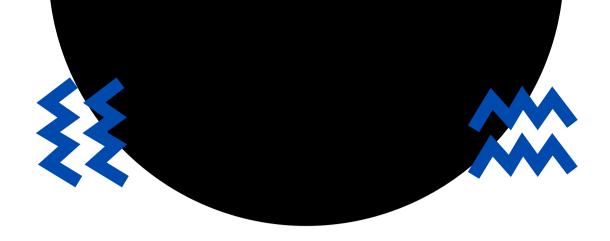
# FRATERNITY RECRUITMENT GUIDEBOOK 2020



AUGUST 31ST - SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2020 INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY



# IFC RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE

#### **Pre - Recruitment Events**

Pre-recruitment events are open to any student interested in joining one of the seven InterFraternity Council organizations at Saint Louis University. This is a casual atmosphere and an opportunity to meet all organizations recruits are eligible to join at one place in an informal way.

8/31 InterFraternity Council 9/2 Brothers & BBQ

Meet & Greet

### **Open Recruitment Events**

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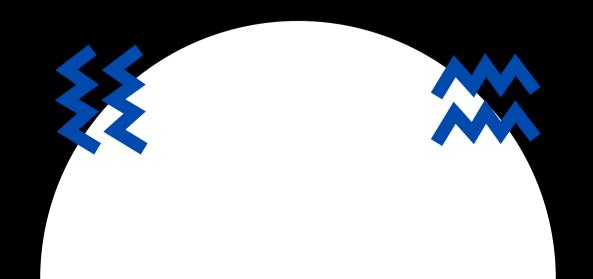
9/3	5:00 - 7:00 PM Sigma Tau Gamma	Locations
	5:30 - 7:30 PM Alpha Delta Gamma	
	6:00 - 8:00 PM Beta Theta Pi	TBD

7:00 - 9:00 PM Sigma Chi

9/4 5:00 - 7:00 PM Phi Delta Theta Locations 6:00 - 8:00 PM Beta Theta Pi 7:00 - 9:00 PM Alpha lota Omicron TBD

# **Open Recruitment Events**

9/5	1:00 - 3:00 PM Sigma Chi 3:00 - 5:00 PM Alpha lota Omicron 3:00 - 5:00 PM Sigma Chi	Locations TBD
9/6	1:00 - 3:00 PM Sigma Tau Gamma 3:00 - 5:00 PM Alpha Delta Gamma	Locations TBD
9/7	5:00 - 7:00 PM Phi Delta Theta 6:00 - 8:00 PM Beta Theta Pi 7:00 - 9:00 PM Sigma Chi 7:00 - 9:00 PM Tau Kappa Epsilon	Locations TBD
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9/9	5:00 - 7:00 PM Alpha lota Omicron 5:00 - 7:00 PM Alpha Delta Gamma 6:00 - 8:00 PM Phi Delta Theta	Locations TBD
9/10	5:00 - 7:00 PM Alpha Delta Gamma 6:00 - 8:00 PM Tau Kappa Epsilon	Locations TBD



# **Invite Only Events**

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9/11	5:00 - 7:00 PM Phi Delta Theta
•	6:00 - 8:00 PM Sigma Chi
	7:00 - 9:00 PM Alpha Iota Omicron
9/12	1:00 - 3:00 PM Alpha Delta Gamma
	4:00 - 6:00 PM Beta Theta Pi
	5:00 - 7:00 PM Sigma Tau Gamma
9/13	2:00 - 4:00 PM Tau Kappa Epsilon
<b>5</b> /10	3:00 - 5:00 PM Phi Delta Theta
	5:00 - 7:00 PM Sigma Tau Gamma
9/14	5:00 - 7:00 PM Alpha Delta Gamma
	6:00 - 8:00 PM Beta Theta Pi
	6:00 - 8:00 PM Sigma Chi
	7:00 - 9:00 PM Tau Kappa Epsilon
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# **Bid Process**

9/15	Chapters Distribute Bids - Chapters have an entire day to distribute bids to recruits. It is possible for a recruit to receive a bid from more than one organization, therefore recruits have a day to receive potentially more than one bid and then chose their prefered organization.
9/16	Recruits Accept Bids - submit the completed Bid Acknowledgement card to the Student Involvement Center acknowledging which fraternity they have chosen to accept a bid from.

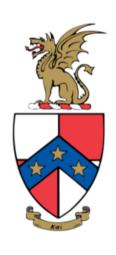




**Alpha lota Omicron**\*Asian - Interest Fraternity



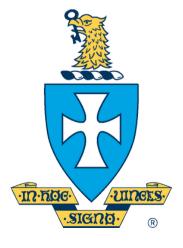
Alpha Delta Gamma



Beta Theta Pi



Phi Delta Theta



Sigma Chi



Sigma Tau Gamma



**Tau Kappa Epsilon** 

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Why should I join a fraternity?

Fraternity life has many positive improvements on a college experience. A fraternity can provide a group of new friends during a time of transition, assist its members through struggles, offer opportunities for social interaction, service opportunities, academic support, develop leadership potential and more.

#### What is the attire for recruitment events?

The attire for open recruitment events is typically casual. Invite only events are often is formal. Individual chapters will detail these events and the expected attire for them.

#### If I receive a bid, does that mean I am automatically a member?

First you must accept your bid, and then each fraternity has a new member process that can last anywhere from a couple weeks to a couple months. The purpose of the new member process is to learn more about the fraternity history as well as requirements and expectation of membership.

#### How can I increase my chances of receiving a bid?

Cast a wide net! The people that do not receive a bid are most often those that only attend events for one fraternity. If you take the time to look at multiple fraternities during the recruitment process, you are much more likely to find a good fit for you and increase the likelihood of receiving a bid.

#### What should I expect during the recruitment process?

Expect to meet a large number of people and have a lot of conversations. It is a short window of time to get to know a lot of different people. Don't be nervous and be yourself. This will help you find a fraternity that means the most to you and aligns with your values.

#### Do I have to join a fraternity in the Fall?

Not at all! If you are nervous to go through recruitment in your first semester or simply don't feel ready yet, feel free to wait a semester and get acquainted with all SLU has to offer first. Fraternity life has a Spring Recruitment that is also very popular, although slightly smaller.

#### Do I need any letters of recommendation?

Letters of recommendation are not necessary. Simply bring yourself and an open mind!

#### How much does being in a fraternity cost?

This number varies from chapter to chapter, but all fraternities are straightforward about this and will be happy to talk about the financial aspect for their chapter and many offer scholarships to help with the cost.

#### Do I need to be in a fraternity to have a social life here are SLU?

Being in a fraternity offers more opportunities for social interaction but it is absolutely not essential to having a social life at SLU. There are many great ways to get involved and meet people on campus.

#### How much time does being a fraternity require?

This varies from chapter to chapter, but any member would be happy to tell you about the process and expectations of their fraternity. Typically, being an active member in a fraternity will take up a couple nights a week for weekly chapter meetings and brotherhood events.

# RECRUITMENT LINGO

**InterFraternity Council (IFC):** The local governing body for the seven fraternity chapters at Saint Louis University. IFC works to promote the highest ideals of scholarship, leadership, service and fraternalism among its member organizations.

**Bid:** an invitation to join a fraternity

**Recruit/Potential New Member (PNM):** Recruit and PNM are interchangeable terms that refer to any undergraduate student not currently affiliated with a fraternal organization. This includes all class status (freshman, sophomore, junior, senior) as well as transfer students.

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