Sorority Recruitment

Recruitment at Willamette consists of three evenings of events. Participants attend events at each sorority chapter where they receive tours, talk with members and learn about activities and membership expectations. Recruitment ends with the distribution of bids, a formal invitation to join.
A recruitment guide will assist your student through recruitment. Recruitment guides are similar to Opening Days leaders. They are sorority women who are disaffiliated from their chapters to answer questions and share their Willamette sorority experience.

2013 Recruitment Schedule

January 20
Recruitment Orientation

January 23
Values Night (all-sorority event)

January 24
Tours Night (house tours & activities)

January 25
Preference Night (chapter traditions)

January 26
Bid Day

Questions?
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Sororities at Willamette

There are three sororities on Willamette’s campus: Alpha Chi Omega, Delta Gamma and Pi Beta Phi. All are national organizations and members of the National Panhellenic Conference, a congress of 26 member groups. Each chapter has long tradition at Willamette, with a unique culture of traditions and events.

The sororities reside in University-owned facilities called chapter houses, where members are expected to live and eat their meals. Each chapter house is staffed by a live-in house director. The room and board cost for a sorority is the same as living in a residence hall and purchasing a “B” meal plan. Sorority chapter houses are alcohol and substance free communities.

Each sorority house has a different floor plan and room configuration. Alpha Chi Omega offers mostly four-person rooms, while Delta Gamma and Pi Beta Phi offer mostly double rooms. All houses have meeting rooms and study areas. During recruitment your student will tour the houses and learn more about each living arrangement.
Benefits of Sorority Membership

Sororities are the largest organized group of women at Willamette University. In addition to their sorority commitments, the women are active participants in campus life, serving as presidents, team captains, or leaders in several clubs, teams and organizations.

Sororities support the academic mission of the University by promoting personal scholarship and goal setting. The chapters provide opportunities for individual growth, practicing leadership skills and developing friendships that last beyond Willamette. Joining a sorority can be a life-changing experience.

Financial Responsibilities

Like any organization, there are bills to pay and costs to membership. Every new and current member of a sorority is required to pay dues. Dues are charged every semester of membership and are comprised of both local and national fees.

Dues cover such items as chapter events, leadership conferences and national dues. New member dues are more expensive because they include several one-time fees (e.g., sorority badge, lifetime membership fee). Member dues decrease significantly during the second full semester of membership.

Chapter Dues

**Alpha Chi Omega Dues**
- New Member (one semester)
  - Total: $675.00
- Member (one semester)
  - Total: $335.00

**Delta Gamma Dues**
- New Member (one semester)
  - Total: $969.25*
- Member (one semester)
  - Total: $347.00

**Pi Beta Phi Dues**
- New Member (one semester)
  - Total: $765.00
- Member (one semester)
  - Total: $340.00

*Delta Gamma dues are higher (compared to the other two chapters) during the new member period because one-time costs are in a lump sum instead of distributed over the course of a three-year membership period.*