

## **FRATERNITY RECRUITMENT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **What is Fraternity Recruitment?**

Fraternity Recruitment is the process by which fraternities seek new members. It is a mutual process in which fraternities choose potential new members they feel best fit their values, while potential new members choose fraternities that most interest them.

### **What is the Fraternity Council Executive Board?**

The Fraternity Council is a board of current Greek members who serve the University's ten (10) fraternities. Its positions include the President and Vice Presidents of Recruitment, Community Service, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), and Public Relations.

### **What are the dates of Fraternity Recruitment?**

For Fall 2025, recruitment is from September 22 - 26. Shake Day (Bid Day) is September 27.

For Spring of 2026, recruitment is February 1 - 6. Shake Day (Bid Day) is February 7.

### **Do I need to register for Fraternity Recruitment?**

Yes. Anyone wanting to participate in fraternity recruitment must register. The link to register can be found at [greeks.sewanee.edu](http://greeks.sewanee.edu).

### **Is there a GPA requirement for Fraternity Recruitment?**

No! But you must be in good academic standing with the University. The individual fraternities have their own GPA requirements. You're encouraged to ask the organizations directly what their academic standards are.

### **What can I expect during recruitment?**

Potential New Members (PNMs) are assigned to a group led by two or more Rho Chis (recruitment counselors). During the first two days of recruitment, PNMs will go through Formal House Visits where they visit each fraternity with their groups. PNMs will then attend Return House on their own, going to a minimum of four houses on the third day. You must 'return house' to a given fraternity chapter to be eligible to receive a bid from that organization. PNMs will receive their bid cards under their doors on Saturday morning.

### **How does Fall Recruitment differ from Spring Recruitment?**

Fall Recruitment is only open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors. It is less structured in the Fall, and Rho Chis are not involved. It is the responsibility of each PNM to ensure they follow all of the rules and requirements.

**What do I wear during recruitment?**

There is no dress code for recruitment. We encourage PNMs to wear class dress.

**What if I have conflicts during recruitment?**

Fill out our Recruitment Conflict form. We will inform fraternities of PNM's conflicts.

**What is considered an excused absence?**

Academic conflicts, athletic commitments, theater conflicts, illness, and family emergencies are considered excused absences from official recruitment events. PNMs must fill out the necessary conflict form before a given event to be excused from said recruitment event. However, if an emergency emerges and the PNM is unable to fill out the conflict form prior to said event, then they must email the Greek Council Vice President of Recruitment in a timely manner.

**What is a Rho Chi?**

A Rho Chi is a current sophomore, junior, or senior fraternity member selected by the fraternity chapters who acts as an unbiased resource for PNMs during and after the spring recruitment period. *Rho Chis are not a part of upper-class recruitment in the Fall.*

**How can I (a Potential New Member) get to know the fraternities on campus?**

There are a number of ways to get to know the fraternities on Sewanee's campus! Fraternities host recruitment events throughout the semester that are open to all Potential New Members. The best ways to find information will be on Engage, social media, or directly contacting the recruitment chairs.

**How much does it cost to be in a fraternity?**

The cost of membership in a sorority differs from fraternity to fraternity. Some chapters offer financial aid options for chapter dues. Reach out to the chapters directly or the FC Vice President of Recruitment for more information.

**What is Pre-Recruitment Education?**

Pre-recruitment education is mandatory for all students going through the recruitment process. Topics within Pre-Recruitment Education include the Alcohol Skills Training Program, Hazing Prevention, and Title IX.

**Are there rules I'm expected to follow?**

Yes. Potential New Members must follow all Recruitment Rules.

**Is alcohol allowed?**

No, alcohol is prohibited during any recruitment events/activities (no matter the time of year).

If you have any other questions, please contact the Fraternity Council Vice President of Recruitment: Trey Stiles, [stilehm0@sewanee.edu](mailto:stilehm0@sewanee.edu)