



## SEWANEE GREEK FEE

### FREQUENTLY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

#### 1. WHY DO ALL GREEK MEMBERS PAY A FEE?

When you hold membership in a Greek organization, you are not only a member of a specific chapter, you are a member of the Sewanee community. When our Greek community flourishes, we all flourish. This is why the Greek Fee is about more than a single fraternity/sorority chapter. In an effort to be self-sufficient and have an operating budget for Greek Life, the Greek Fee will support the entire community in the following ways:

- Provide financial resources necessary to create and maintain a modern and thriving fraternity/sorority community.
- Collection of meaningful data - assessment will be used to make informed decisions around community-wide education, targeted education, and provide increased understanding and visibility on important student health, safety, and overall well-being.
- Development of human and structural resources to provide relevant and consistent education. This will include utilizing and training staff/faculty volunteers on specific topics, such as ethical leadership, harm reduction, alcohol skills training program, motivational interviewing, and bystander intervention education.
- Targeted education, training, and onboarding for student leaders, specifically new member educators, risk managers, social chairs, and DEI positions.
- Pre-recruitment education efforts prior to becoming members of a fraternity/sorority.
- Outreach and education to parents and families.
- Sustainable hazing prevention efforts.

#### 2. HOW WILL THE GREEK FEE BE USED?

The Greek Fee will be used to provide a long term funding model for the Sewanee Greek community, while also providing support in the areas of leadership development, chapter officer support and education, health and safety efforts, and recruitment.

#### 3. HOW MUCH IS THE GREEK FEE AND HOW WILL IT BE COLLECTED?

The Greek Fee will be \$30 each semester for students listed as a member on their chapter's membership roster.



**4. WILL STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD STILL BE CHARGED THE FEE?**

Yes, students who are studying abroad are still active members of their chapter and will be assessed the fee.

**5. WHAT IF I'M AFFILIATED AND I WAS NOT CHARGED?**

If this happens, it means that you are not represented on the chapter's official membership roster with the University.

**6. WHAT IF I AM CHARGED AND I AM NO LONGER A MEMBER?**

The Greek Fee is assessed based on the roster received from each chapter prior to the beginning of each semester. Please contact your former chapter to have them update their roster to reflect your membership status.

**7. ISN'T A GREEK FEE A CHARGE FOR SERVICES WE ALREADY RECEIVE, SUCH AS MANDATED TRAINING?**

No. Sewanne's Greek community does not currently have a comprehensive membership experience program. Educational experiences or training that may have occurred in the past have been one-time programs, such as the screening of a documentary or educational sanctions that result from organizational misconduct sanctions.

**8. WE ALREADY HAVE REQUIRED TRAININGS FROM OUR NATIONAL ORGANIZATION. WHY DO WE NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AND TRAINING FROM THE UNIVERSITY?**

Inter/national fraternities and sororities provide valuable services to each of their undergraduate chapters. These programs are typically for chapter officers (president, recruitment positions, etc.). While these are important learning experiences for chapter leadership, the primary goal of such education is focused on the inter/national organization's expectations, insurance/risk management policies, and overall chapter operations. It is crucial for host institutions and inter/national organizations to work in partnership to best meet the needs of students and organizations.