Mission
The Ball State University fraternity and sorority community provides a premier student development experience dedicated to a lifetime of excellence.

Values
Accountability • Diversity • Education
Integrity • Mutual Respect
Personal Development • Relationships
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## Interfraternity Council
**Organizations: 14 fraternities**

The Interfraternity Council (IFC) is a self-governing body representing member fraternities at Ball State. IFC consists of nine executive council members, a voting representative from each fraternity, and the chapter president from each fraternity.

## Chapters at Ball State

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## FAQ

### Who is eligible?
Men can join as early as the beginning of their freshman year. Only Ball State students are eligible to join an IFC fraternity, and each fraternity has additional requirements set by their national organizations.

### How do I join?
Each IFC chapter conducts its own recruitment and establishes its own selection process, which many fraternities start in the summer. If you’re interested in joining, contact the IFC vice president of recruitment.

### Is there an IFC formal recruitment process?
No. The IFC does not organize a formal recruitment process for students interested in fraternity membership. However, each chapter participates in the Fall Activity Fair and will host its own recruitment events.
The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) is a self-governing body that represents the nationally recognized historically African-American fraternities and sororities known as the Divine 9. Ball State is home to seven of the nine national organizations.

Ball State NPHC is focused on contributing to the political, economic, spiritual, social, intellectual, moral welfare, and multicultural life on campus and within the community.

**How do I join?**

NPHC chapters require a 2.5 Ball State GPA. Each organization hosts events and activities that encourage participation in the community. Attending an organization’s sponsored events and ensuring you have leadership and community service experience is the best way to show interest in that organization.

**What are the requirements to join?**

All NPHC organizations have set requirements for those wanting to pursue membership. For example, many of the organizations require a Ball State GPA, involvement on-campus, recommendation letter(s), and community service. Specific requirements are available from the chapter or national website.

**What are the benefits?**

The NPHC experience focuses on leadership, academics, community service, and involvement within the African-American community. Becoming involved in a NPHC organization allows you to make a large campus smaller, connect with the community, and celebrate shared values.
Panhellenic Council
Organizations: 12 sororities

The Panhellenic Council (PHC) is a self-governing body that represents the member women’s fraternities and sororities at Ball State. The PHC consists of nine executive council members and a voting delegate from each chapter.

Our members give back to both the Ball State and Muncie communities. The PHC has adopted its own philanthropy, Circle of Sisterhood—striving to uplift girls and women from poverty and oppression through education.

Panhellenic women not only aim for excellence in their communities but also in the classroom, working to provide educational resources and programs to assist students in their coursework. That high value on academics and service is supported by lifetime friendships and connections.

How do I join?

Panhellenic formal recruitment is a structured process. After registering online in the summer and gathering recommendation letters, you’ll have the opportunity to attend several events with each chapter. Throughout the week, by a process of mutual selection, both chapters and potential new members narrow their choices. At Ball State, a majority of women obtain membership through this process; however, qualifying chapters may also offer opportunities to join throughout the year. Two chapters, Gamma Phi Omega Sorority Inc. and Gamma Rho Lambda, are affiliated with Panhellenic Council but do not participate in formal recruitment.

Who can register for PHC recruitment?

A woman is eligible to participate in recruitment and join a sorority if she is enrolled and has been granted full-time status. Academic recommendations for recruitment include having at least a 2.5 GPA, however, each PHC organization has specific eligibility requirements.

Registration begins June 1. To learn more about recruitment, visit bsu.edu/campuslife/greeklife.

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Alpha Chi Omega (ΑΧΩ)
Motto: Together Let Us Seek the Heights
Philanthropy: Alpha Chi Omega Foundation
alphachiomega.org

Chi Omega (ΧΩ)
Motto: Hellenic Culture & Christian Ideals
Philanthropy: Make-A-Wish Foundation
chiomega.com

Alpha Gamma Delta (ΑΓΔ)
Motto: Live with Purpose
Philanthropy: Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation
alphagammadelta.org

Delta Zeta (ΔΖ)
Motto: Love That is Ever Steadfast
Philanthropy: The Starkey Hearing Foundation, The Painted Turtle
deltazeta.org

Alpha Omicron Pi (ΑΟΠ)
Motto: Women Enriched through Lifelong Friendship
Philanthropy: Arthritis Research and Education
alphamicronpi.org

Gamma Phi Omega Sorority, Inc. (ΓΦΩ)
Motto: Unity and Sisterhood, Now and Forever, One and Indivisible
Philanthropy: American Diabetes Association
gammaphiomega.org

Alpha Phi (ΑΦ)
Motto: Union Hand in Hand
Philanthropy: Alpha Phi Foundation
alphaphi.org

Gamma Rho Lambda (ΓΡΛ)
Motto: Truth in Tolerance, Knowledge through Diversity, Bonds of Unity, Strength in Trust
Philanthropy: Muncie OUTreach
gammarholambda.org

Kappa Delta (ΚΔ)
Motto: Let Us Strive for that which is Honorable, Beautiful, and Highest
Philanthropy: Girl Scouts of the USA, Prevent Child Abuse America, Orthopedic Research Awards, Children’s Hospital of Richmond, Virginia
kappadelta.org

Phi Mu (ΦΜ)
Motto: The Faithful Sisters
Philanthropy: Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals
phimu.org

Pi Beta Phi (ΠΒΦ)
Motto: Cultivating Sincere Friendships
Philanthropy: Champions Are Readers, Read > Lead > Achieve
pibetaphi.org

Sigma Kappa (ΣΚ)
Motto: One Heart, One Way
Philanthropy: Sigma Kappa Foundation, Inherit the Earth, Gerontology Research, Main Sea Coast Mission
sigmakappa.org

*Designates an associate member of Panhellenic Council
Greek Honor Societies

As a member of one of our 33 chapters, you also have the opportunity to join our Greek Honor Societies. These organizations require members to be at least a sophomore, hold a specific GPA (which varies based on the honor society), and complete an application for membership.

Ball State Greek honor societies include:

**Fraternal Values Society**
Focused on illuminating the central values that guided the historical founding of general fraternities and sororities, the Fraternal Values Society incorporates these values into the contemporary fraternity and sorority experience. They work with councils to bring the community National Hazing Prevention Week in the fall and National Ritual Celebration Week in the spring.

**Gamma Sigma Alpha**
Gamma Sigma Alpha National Academic Greek Honor Society is the premier organization committed to the academic success of our members and alignment with Ball State’s academic mission.

**Order of Omega**
The Order of Omega Greek Honor Society was founded in 1959 to honor leaders within the Greek community who excel in academics and leadership.

**Rho Lambda**
Rho Lambda is the National Sorority Leadership Recognition Society, honoring Panhellenic women within the sorority community who have exhibited the highest qualities of leadership and service.
Terms and Definitions

**Badge/Pin**
The pin, worn on the chest, designates an initiated member of a certain fraternity or sorority.

**Bid**
A formal invitation to join a fraternity or sorority.

**Big Brother/Sister**
An older initiated member of your fraternity or sorority who serves as a mentor to a younger member, providing guidance and advice.

**Call/Chant**
A vocal sound (sometimes high-pitched) used by members of culturally based fraternities and sororities to identify their presence.

**Chapter**
A local organization of the larger national or international organization, designated by Greek letters.

**Crossed**
The actual date of initiation into a culturally based fraternity or sorority.

**Graduate Chapter**
A local chapter of a NPHC fraternity or sorority whose members have received their undergraduate degree. These chapters usually oversee and advise the local undergraduate chapter of their organization.

**Initiation**
The formal ritual ceremony that brings new members into full membership of a fraternity or sorority. Through initiation, members learn and pledge themselves to the ideals of the fraternity or sorority.

**Legacy**
A woman whose mother, sister, or in some cases, grandmother is an initiated member of a sorority. A man whose father, brother, or in some cases, grandfather is an initiated member of a fraternity. Legacy stipulations differ from each fraternity and sorority.

**Line Sisters (LS) or Line Brothers (LB)**
Individuals who are members of the same membership intake class and organization.

**Membership Intake**
The term NPHC organizations use when they bring new members into their organizations. During membership intake, individuals learn information related to an NPHC fraternity or sorority. Each NPHC group determines when they will conduct intake, and thus no two NPHC groups will conduct intake together.

**Neophyte (Neo)**
Newly initiated member of a NPHC organization.

**Neophyte Presentation**
A public presentation where NPHC organizations present their new member to the campus community.

**Pi Chi (Recruitment Counselor)**
A Panhellenic sorority member who has disassociated from her sorority during Formal Recruitment to assist potential new members through the formal recruitment process.

**Stepping**
A series of complex, synchronous and precise rhythmic movements performed to songs, stomps, or chants and created by organization members. Typically performed by culturally based Greek letter organizations.

**Strolling**
Performed by culturally based fraternities and sororities, a stroll is usually performed in unison to a song with precise and synchronized movements, possibly in a line. It may also be referred to as a party walk or strut.