Panhellenic Recommendations

What is a Recommendation?

Why are recommendations important?

• Recommendations serve as an introduction of the Potential New Member (PNM) to the sorority
• Each sorority requires at least one recommendation for each PNM
  o You can have more than one, but only one is required. Having more than one does not provide an advantage

Who writes the Recommendations?

• Women who are alumnae of the eight different sororities at Baylor can write recommendations
  o These women do not have to be Baylor alumnae, only alumnae of the sororities represented on campus: for example, if they attended the University of Texas and the sorority they were in is also at Baylor, then they can write a recommendation.
• Alumnae are only able to write recommendations for the sorority they are a member
  o They cannot write a recommendation for any other sorority – only their own
    ▪ For example, an Alpha Chi Omega alumnae cannot write a recommendation for Delta Delta Delta
  o There are 8 NPC sororities on campus, so there will be 8 recommendations – one for each sorority

Who is responsible for obtaining the recommendation form?

• The person writing the recommendation is responsible for obtaining the proper recommendation form.
  o Only that person can get the form
  o The form is unique to their sorority
  o They can obtain it from their national website, alumnae organization, or national magazine
• The person writing the recommendation will complete the form and send it directly to the chapter at Baylor – it does not go to the Panhellenic or Greek Life office

What do I give the person writing the recommendation?

• A resume with 2-4 pictures (or how many they request), an envelope addressed to the sorority and a thank you note. Be sure to stamp the envelope

What if I don’t have one for each sorority/what if I don’t know someone from each sorority?

• It is OK if you do not have one for each sorority
• It is the ultimate responsibility of the sorority to obtain the recommendation
  o However, this cannot be guaranteed
Do whatever you can to obtain them on your own

- Networking with friends, relatives, parent’s friends and business associates, teachers, friends from Church, friends who are already members can help etc…
- Once you get to Baylor, you may have a roommate, friend, etc…. that has a mother, sister or friend that could write a recommendation on your behalf

**When should the recommendations be turned in?**

- The deadline is December 1st
- Most sororities will be reviewing these as soon as school starts in the fall
- Best to get this done as soon as possible so you don’t have to worry

**What is a Hometown/Alumnae Panhellenic?**

- An Alumnae Panhellenic is a group of Panhellenic women in a certain area/city
  - One of the primary purposes is to inform local women who are going to college about the benefits of Greek Life
  - If you register with a hometown Panhellenic, it informs the area sorority women of your interest in Greek Life
  - The information you submit will be given to the sororities that have chapters at Baylor. These sorority alumnae will then decide if recommendations will be sent in on your behalf.
  - There is no guarantee recommendations will be sent
  - There is no guarantee you will be invited to any parties or receive a bid
  - It only serve to get your name out in front of the local alumnae

**Does registering with a Hometown/Alumnae Panhellenic register me with Baylor Panhellenic?**

- NO!
- You must register online with Baylor Panhellenic in order to be able to go through Panhellenic recruitment
- Registration will be open after the September Recruitment Orientation

**Please be sure to check the Greek Life website, as well as the Panhellenic Facebook page and the Panhellenic Twitter account frequently**

**Sorority addresses for recommendation**

- Alpha Chi Omega – One Bear Place #85611
- Alpha Delta Pi – One Bear Place #85612
- Chi Omega – One Bear Place #85613
- Delta Delta Delta – One Bear Place #85614
- Kappa Alpha Theta – One Bear Place #85615
- Kappa Kappa Gamma – One Bear Place #85617
- Pi Beta Phi – One Bear Place #85618
- Zeta Tau Alpha – One Bear Place #85621

All Zip Codes are Waco, TX 76798