

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
 - 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
 - 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
 - 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
 - There are 9 NPC sororities on campus, so there will be 9 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.
 - Only that person can get the form
 - The form is unique to their sorority
 - 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 Student Activities 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 (if required- most are online submission processes now) and a thank you note

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
 - 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 Fraternity & Sorority Life
 - If you register with a hometown Panhellenic, it informs the area sorority women of your interest in Fraternity & Sorority 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 in September

Please be sure to check the Student Activities website, as well as the Panhellenic Instagram account frequently

Sorority addresses for recommendation

- Alpha Chi Omega – One Bear Place #85611
- Alpha Delta Pi – One Bear Place #85612
- Alpha Phi- One Bear Place #97425
- 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