

OVERVIEW

UA's fraternity and sorority community is the largest in the nation:

- 69 Fraternity and Sorority Chapters
- Over 11,000 students in the community
- Four Greek Governing Councils:
 - Alabama Panhellenic Association (APA)
 - National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)
 - United Greek Council (UGC)
 - Interfraternity Council (IFC)

Serving over a third of our students at the Capstone, Fraternity and Sorority Life seeks to cultivate leadership skills, engage with the campus and local Tuscaloosa community through service, and promote unity among members. Students interested in joining a fraternity/sorority are encouraged to learn more about each council, its recruitment or intake process, and key dates.

GREEK ESSENTIAL MEAL PLAN

Who is eligible for it?

First-year students who join a fraternity or sorority with a full-service kitchen that offers 10 or more meals per week.

What are the different meal plan options and prices per semester?

All Access – Unlimited (\$2,308)

Bama Silver – 125 meals (\$1,300)

Essential Plan (Greek Essential) – 55 meals/semester (\$903)

How do I downgrade to the Essential Plan?

The chapter must submit a new member roster to the OFSL by each semester's deadline. Any meal swipes used before the downgrade are deducted from the original 55 swipes.

For more information regarding the semester cost of the Greek Essential meal plan and how the credit will be applied to your student account, please visit bamadining.ua.edu.



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ALABAMA PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION

APA

The **Alabama Panhellenic Association (APA)** represents the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) on campus and is the coordinating body for 19 social sororities: 18 NPC women's organizations and one affiliate chapter on campus. As the largest Panhellenic community in the country, APA values sisterhood, scholarship, philanthropy, and service.

How to Join: Panhellenic Recruitment

- Alabama Panhellenic Association (APA) sororities traditionally admit new members in August through the Primary Recruitment process, which occurs the week before the start of the fall semester.
- Some chapters also engage in a less formal recruitment process known as Continuous Open Bidding (COB) in the fall and spring.



To be eligible to join, you should:

- Have full-time UA enrollment status, including incoming first-semester students
- Register by the deadline
- Pay a participation fee at the time of registration

Membership Cost Per Semester:

New Member (first semester only) average: \$4,300
Living in-house average: \$7,600
Living out-of-house average: \$3,600

Visit uapanhellenic.com for more information.



ALABAMA UNITED GREEK COUNCIL

UGC

The **Alabama United Greek Council (UGC)** is the governing body for the special interest sororities and fraternities. UGC exists to enable member organizations to share ideas and resources, promote mutual respect and equality, and provide a support network for students on campus.

How to Join: UGC Recruitment

- Each organization that encompasses the United Greek Council (UGC) has an individual recruitment process. Depending on the chapter, this process may be referred to as Recruitment, Membership Intake, or Rush. Each chapter's process for taking new members varies by their specific needs and (inter)national requirements.
- UGC recruitment includes participation in fall and spring Get On Board Day. Chapters will also host tabling events

and programs throughout the semester advertised through the SOURCE to recruit members.

- Students interested in joining a UGC organization should visit the chapter's website, social media page, and contact the chapter directly for specific membership requirements.

To be eligible to join, you should:

- Be a UA enrolled student
- Meet individual chapter requirements

Membership Cost Per Semester:

New Member (first semester only) average: \$100 – 500
Living out-of-house average: \$150 – 500

Visit bamaugc.com for more information.



ALABAMA NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

NPHC

The **Alabama National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)** is the coordinating council for the nine historically African-American Greek-letter organizations often referred to as the Divine Nine. The Alabama NPHC has 4 sororities and 4 fraternities. NPHC organizations are committed to community service and support academic excellence between members and the general student body by providing scholarships and programs designed to enrich the cultural experience of UA students.

How to Join: NPHC Intake

- National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) organizations recruit members at various times of the year through a Membership Intake Process (MIP). NPHC chapters determine their recruitment period, which can change each year. Organizations conducting MIP will host informational sessions, commonly referred to as Interest Meetings or Rush events. During these formal sessions, aspirants will typically learn specific information about membership requirements, chapter policies, and financial costs.
- At the beginning of each semester, the Alabama NPHC hosts a general interest session, known as Convocation. Convocation allows interested students to learn about the history of the organizations within the council and interact with current members.
- Students interesting in joining an NPHC organization should visit the chapter's national website regarding specific membership requirements.



To be eligible to join, you should:

- Be a UA enrolled student

- Attend NPHC Convocation during the school year of interest
- Pay a participation fee at the time of Convocation
- Meet individual membership requirements

Membership Cost Per Semester:

New Member (first semester only) average: \$1,650 – 3,400
Living in-house average: \$3,600
Living out-of-house average: \$150 - 2,000

Visit uanphc.org for more information.



ALABAMA INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

IFC

The **Alabama Interfraternity Council (IFC)** serves as the governing body for 35 men's social fraternities at UA, many of which are affiliated with the North American Interfraternity Conference (NIC). IFC values brotherhood, scholarship, leadership, and community service.

How to Join: IFC Recruitment

- There are two ways of seeking membership in a fraternity within the Interfraternity Council (IFC). Organizations recruit members and extend bids for membership over the summer. The IFC also holds structured recruitment as students move in for the fall. During structured recruitment, prospective members can interact with individuals from each fraternity. Once prospective members have registered online, their information is shared with all IFC fraternities. A small group of chapters will also recruit new members in the spring.

To be eligible to join, you should:

- Have full-time UA enrollment status, including first-semester students
- Register before the start of the fall semester
- Pay a participation fee at the time of registration

Membership Cost Per Semester:

New Member (first semester only) average: \$4,000
Living in-house average: \$7,000
Living out-of-house average: \$3,700

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