

The University of Oklahoma

There are 11 Panhellenic Chapters at OU and you should try to secure recommendations for each group:

Alpha Chi Omega
Alpha Omicron Pi
Chi Omega
Delta Delta Delta
Kappa Alpha Theta
Pi Beta Phi

Alpha Gamma Delta
Alpha Phi
Delta Gamma
Gamma Phi Beta
Kappa Kappa Gamma

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Recruitment is held in the Fall in the beginning of August

Registration for recruitment opens **June 1st** and is only online at: pan.ou.edu **\$150.00 fee**

Required to live in dorms during recruitment. PNM's move into Residence Halls on August 10th

FORMAL RECRUITMENT WEEK

Round 1- Thursday August 11th & 12th

11 PARTIES ATTENDED PARTY LENGTH: 25 MINUTES

WHAT TO EXPECT:

This round of parties focuses on the importance and excitement of "Going Greek!" During the First two days of recruitment, you will visit all 11 sororities with your recruitment walking group. You will be greeted at each house by door songs as you are welcomed into the party. Feel free to ask questions of the members and to tell them a little bit about yourself as you begin to get acquainted with each chapter.

WHAT TO WEAR:

Recruitment T-shirts (provided by Panhellenic Association) and casual shorts or skirt with tennis shoes, nice flip flops or sandals.

Round 2 – Saturday August 13th

MAXIMUM OF EIGHT PARTIES ATTENDED PARTY LENGTH: 45 MINUTES

WHAT TO EXPECT:

Community service is an important part of the overall Greek experience, and Philanthropy Day will give you a glimpse into the philanthropic work that sororities participate in at the local and national level. You will learn about the women's involvement both on campus and within the community.

WHAT TO WEAR:

Casual daytime dress, skirt or capris with comfortable sandals or flats.
NO T-shirts or heels.

Round 3 – Sunday August 14th

MAXIMUM OF FIVE PARTIES ATTENDED PARTY LENGTH: 60
MINUTES

WHAT TO EXPECT:

House Tour Day allows you the opportunity to see the beautiful sorority homes. The parties on this day are informative and allow you more time for conversations with the sorority women. You will be able to see firsthand the individuality spirit of each sorority, as well as experience the special bond of sorority sisterhood.

WHAT TO WEAR:

A nicer sundress with wedges, heels or flats.

Round 4 – Monday August 15th

MAXIMUM OF TWO PARTIES ATTENDED PARTY LENGTH: 75
MINUTES

WHAT TO EXPECT:

This is the day to really focus on what you want to gain from joining a sorority. An invitation to Preference Round means that the sorority is very interested in having you become a member. The events focus on the core aspects of sorority life, including sisterhood, friendship and ritual. This is your last chance to interact with chapter members.

WHAT TO WEAR:

Cocktail dress with heels, perhaps a dress that you would wear to an evening wedding.

Round 5 - Bid Day – Monday August 16th

WHAT TO EXPECT:

Formal Recruitment ends with Bid Day. Bid cards will be distributed by the Recruitment Guides at 2 p.m. Families are welcome to join the new members at the sorority house. A Panhellenic representative will be downstairs in Adams Center with a complete list showing where each woman joined. (Parents, please do not go to your student's room while the bids are being distributed by the Recruitment Guides.)

WHAT TO WEAR:

Shorts and comfortable shoes. You will receive a T-shirt with your new sorority letters when you receive your bid card.

Finances

- Sorority dues at Texas State range from \$2,058-3761.4 the first year and from \$1800-2980 for future semesters. The initial new member semester is the most expensive due to some one-time fees. After initiation into the sorority, the dues are reduced for the following semesters.
- Dues cover different expenses depending on the organization. It may be important for you to know if certain expenses are covered, such as your sorority badge, t-shirts, etc.
- Keep in mind that dues generally don't cover "extras" like tote bags, sunglasses, t-shirts, and any of the many products you can purchase with your letter on it. While it's possible you may receive some as gifts, if it's important to you to stock up on sorority swag, you'll want to consider that as you budget.

Let's Talk...Conversation Tips

You have a killer resume, glowing recommendations and a fabulous wardrobe, but once you actually step in the door of the sorority house it's the conversation that counts. Here are some suggestions:

1. Think of questions you might be asked, and think of possible responses. These are topics you will probably talk about:

Round 1: Hometown, high school activities, summer activities, favorite movies/TV shows, OU (major, dorm, roommate, what you're most excited for).

Round 2: Volunteer activities in HS, philanthropy at OU (within sorority and participation in other groups' events), what you want to be involved in at OU or within sorority.

Round 3: Leadership in HS and positions within sorority and on campus, passions likes and dislikes, hobbies, HS activities, what you're looking for in a sorority

Round 4: How you're feeling about the sorority, questions or concerns you have, qualities you want in sisters, qualities you could bring to the sorority

2. No one word answers! It's a dead end to a conversation, creates awkward silence and it makes you appear disinterested.

3. Ask open-ended questions that can't be answered yes or no.

4. Don't complain. Everyone is tired. The sorority members have even longer days than you do.