

# IOWA FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE

## The Opportunity



### THE OPPORTUNITY TO *belong*

We all want friendships that are true, that are real, that are more than passing college acquaintances. Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Life presents the opportunity to belong to something big, important and unforgettable. Most of all, it is the opportunity to build friendships that will last a lifetime.

### THE OPPORTUNITY TO *serve*

We all want to contribute to the greater good and make a difference. Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Life provides the opportunity for students to serve our campus, community, and world in ways that make a real impact.



### THE OPPORTUNITY TO *lead*

We all want to leave a legacy in our own way. We want to feel respected by our peers and the appreciation from our friends. Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Life offers students the opportunity to lead, to influence and to guide our organizations and our community.



### THE OPPORTUNITY TO *thrive*

We all want a college experience that is academically successful, one that builds collegiate memories rich with tradition, full of long-lasting relationships, and overflowing with a sense of personal fulfillment. Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Life challenges its members to flourish as fully engaged students.



### THE OPPORTUNITY TO *succeed*

We all want to graduate, get a job, and have a successful career. Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Life connects its members to the largest and most successful network available to students. Our alumni are positioned all over the globe and are committed to helping you succeed as professionals and productive members of society.



## THE FRATERNITY AND SORORITY COMMUNITY

**Membership in a fraternity or sorority is life-time commitment to the values of leadership, scholarship, friendship, and service. At Iowa, we have four professional staff members whose work is dedicated to providing the education, support, challenge, and accountability necessary for our students to live those values now and throughout their lives.**

We know being part of a student organization can help your student get the most out of their college experience for those who choose to participate. The FSL community offers opportunities for academic support, leadership experiences, positive social interactions, and fostering diversity and inclusion.

**It's important for families to make informed decisions about the chapters.**

Please visit [fsl.uiowa.edu/community/scorecard](https://fsl.uiowa.edu/community/scorecard), to learn more about each organization.

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# The University of Iowa FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE FAMILY GUIDE



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# Greetings HAWKEYE FAMILIES!

The 156-year tradition of fraternity and sorority membership at Iowa provides an immediate connection to a close-knit group of students, helping to make Iowa feel more like home. Fraternity and sorority members are some of the most active student leaders on campus and can introduce your student to a multitude of other student organizations and leadership opportunities. Participating in Fraternity and Sorority Life is a great way to ensure a well-rounded undergraduate experience, and we hope it will be a part of that journey. We invite you to spend some time looking through this publication to learn more about the Fraternity and Sorority Community at Iowa.

## GO HAWKS!

Sincerely,

**The UI Fraternity and Sorority Community**

## WHAT IS MY ROLE AS A FAMILY MEMBER?

- Take the time to learn more about the Fraternity and Sorority Community at Iowa and visit [fsl.uiowa.edu](https://fsl.uiowa.edu).
- Ask questions about what the organizations will offer your student in order to make the best decision for them. Fraternities and sororities are different on every campus, so allow your student to choose the group with whom they feel most comfortable.
- Keep an open mind. Even though you may or may not have been a member does not mean that it is or is not the right choice for your student.
- Discuss the financial obligations with your student. Determine who will pay for what and the limits those expenses may include. Joining a fraternity or sorority is a lifetime commitment, both personally and financially.
- Above all, be supportive!

Our Fraternity and Sorority community is always growing in both the number of members as well as the number of organizations!

**For the most up-to-date list of chapters currently at the University of Iowa, please visit**

**→ [FSL.UIOWA.EDU/CHAPTERS](https://fsl.uiowa.edu/chapters)**

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## FAST FACTS

- There are 42 fraternities and sororities at the University of Iowa and 24 have chapter houses. 12 of these groups have a multicultural emphasis.
- A community of over 3,000 students makes up over 14% of the undergraduate student population.
- All chapters are registered student organizations.
- There are four governing councils that oversee our fraternities and sororities here on campus.
- More than 200 alumni, faculty, and staff volunteer their time serving as advisors to the chapters.
- On average, fraternity and sorority members contribute around 50,000 hours of community service and donate close to \$800,000 annually to local and national charities.

## MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS

Operating as a Fraternity or Sorority at the University of Iowa is a great privilege. With that privilege comes many benefits that we hope will our organizations to thrive. These benefits create opportunities for leadership, growth and development, healthy and safe environments, and the creation of an inclusive community. With these benefits and opportunities come certain expectations and responsibilities.

It is the responsibility of every member of our organizations to understand University and Fraternity and Sorority, including how to enact them within your own chapter. Lack of information is not an excuse for lack of compliance. If at any point, you have questions about any of these policies or guidelines, please don't hesitate to reach out to any FSL staff.

It is the expectation that all organizations abide by both University of Iowa policies and Fraternity and Sorority Life operational guidelines.

### Expectations for Fraternity and Sorority Life members fall in the following categories:

Academic	Behavior	Education
Financial	Community	and more!

## ANTI-HAZING POLICY

All fraternities and sororities at the University of Iowa are non-hazing organizations. The University of Iowa also has a zero tolerance policy for hazing and all student organizations will be held accountable accordingly. More information about the University's position on hazing can be found here:

[dos.uiowa.edu/policies/discipline-of-registered-student-organizations](https://dos.uiowa.edu/policies/discipline-of-registered-student-organizations)



## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The fraternity and sorority experience is an investment in your student's future. Fraternal organizations' fees go to programs and services that will positively impact your student. To assist members, chapters may offer various scholarships and grants. We encourage your students to ask questions related to finances during the recruitment process. We also encourage you to be "hands-on" in this decision if you have any questions about the financial obligations. Costs will vary if the organization does or does not have a house/living structure.

For 2023-2024, the average cost of living in a university-owned residence hall per year for a double room and unlimited meals is \$12,176.00.

### **The high, low, and average expenses listed by council for the academic year can be found below:**

		Low	Average	High	New Member Average
NPHC		\$75.00	\$212.50	\$350.00	\$2,062.00
MGC		\$170.00	\$305.00	\$620.00	\$351.00
PHC		\$6,800.00	\$9,025.42	\$11,150.00	\$3,523.58
		\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00	\$965.00
IFC		\$4,800.00	\$8,009.00	\$9,550.00	\$1,534.00
		\$1,000.00	\$1,337.50	\$1,950.00	\$1,793.25