Panhellenic Formal Recruitment Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is Panhellenic Formal Recruitment?
Panhellenic Recruitment is the process in which potential new members, non-affiliated women, are able to meet each of the Panhellenic Council organization and see which organization is best suited for them. Here at FIU, we currently have active 8 organizations: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Xi Delta, Delta Phi Epsilon, Phi Mu, Phi Sigma Sigma, Sigma Kappa, Sigma Sigma Sigma.

How does Recruitment work?
Formal Recruitment is held once a year here at FIU. It is a week long process, where you are able to meet the inspiring women who make up our organizations.

- Our first day, Panhellenic hosts “Meet Your Rho Gamma”, is where you will meet your go to person. Your Recruitment Counselor, also known as Rho Gamma, will introduce herself to you and give you her information so you may contact her with any questions, concerns, and just overall serve as a friend through this process.
- Second day, “Sorority 101”, you will meet all 8 organizations. During this time the organizations will give you a small broad look into what their sorority entails and means to them.
- Third day, “Philanthropy”, you will be invited back to meet up to 6 organizations. Organizations will focus on informing you why they are so passionate about their philanthropic cause and charities in general. The organizations will also explain their membership dues.
- Fourth day, “Sisterhood and Traditions,” you could meet up to 4 organizations. This is the night where organizations will share what some of their personal traditions are and what moments they experienced that lead them into loving their sisterhood.
- Fifth day, “Preference Night”, you will meet up to 2 organizations. This is the night where organizations give you a glimpse of their ritual and how strong and supportive their bond is.
- Sixth day, “Bid Day”, your Rho Gamma will be handing out cards to let you know which organization has invited you into their sisterhood. Later that day, you will be able to run home and spend some time with your new sisters at their bid day parties.

How do the sororities decide who to invite back for each round?
As your Recruitment schedule is reduced from round to round, so is the number of women each sorority is allowed to invite back. Every Potential New Member has something to offer a sorority, but sororities are limited in their invitations. In deciding which Potential New Members to invite back, each chapter has a democratic voting process. In other words, one or a few sorority women cannot guarantee that a Potential New Member will receive an invitation to the next round. Also, sororities are not required to offer a bid to their legacies. Most importantly, a sorority woman should never imply or promise a Potential New Member that she will be returning to any subsequent round.

If I participate in Recruitment, am I obligated to join a sorority?
No, many women choose to go through Recruitment to meet people and make new friends. Recruitment is an opportunity for you to visit the sororities, get a glimpse of Panhellenic life, and assess whether or not you would like to be a part of the FIU Greek community in this way. If you do not find your home within one of our 8 organizations, Panhellenic encourages you to reach out to the other two councils (National Panhellenic Council, and Multicultural Greek Council) that have sororities within them. For more information on the other governing council with sororities, visit greeks.fiu.edu.
Still not sure whether or not you want to join, come to a Pre-Recruitment Event?
A Pre-Recruitment event is a free two-hour event where you can converse with a few representatives from every organization. Each Pre-Recruitment event has a different theme to it, similar to Formal Recruitment. Panhellenic encourages potential new members to attend so you may become more comfortable with the recruitment process and get to know the organizations as well as possible.

If you haven’t decided whether or not, you would like to register for recruitment this could also help you decide if you would want to.

How do I register for Formal Recruitment?
If you are interested in registering for Panhellenic’s Formal Recruitment, please visit the Panhellenic website at panhellenic.fiu.edu or go to http://go.fiu.edu/recruitment

If you are having any trouble registering, please feel free to contact us at panhellenic@fiu.edu

How much does Formal Recruitment cost?
Registration opens on April 25, 2016 at 9am
From April 25 to July 5, the cost of recruitment is $55
From July 6 to July 29, the cost of recruitment is $65
Registration closes on July 29, 2016 at 12pm.

Where can I get more information about recruitment?
There are many ways to keep yourself updated on recruitment. Panhellenic encourages you to follow our social media outlets.
- Instagram: @fiupanhellenic
- Twitter: @FIUPanhellenic
- Facebook: FIU Panhellenic Council
We will be posting information about sorority life in general, as well as opportunities to meet and converse with some members within the Greek Community.

What are the requirements to participate in formal recruitment?
In order to be allowed to participate in Formal Recruitment, there are some criteria that must be met. Such as:
- Being enrolled in at least 9 FIU credits
- Have a 2.0 FIU GPA if you are a current FIU student, 3.0 High School GPA if you are an incoming freshman, or a 2.7 GPA if you are an incoming transfer student
- Dual Enrollment students are not permitted to participate in FIU’s Panhellenic Recruitment
- Please keep in mind individual sororities may have higher requirements.

Questions/Concerns?
If you have any question other questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to the Panhellenic Council at panhellenic@fiu.edu.