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Mission Statement
The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life guides and supports the Central fraternity and sorority community, ensuring our organizations provide their members with a transformative, values-based experience.

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Welcome to the University of Central Oklahoma. As you transition into college life, I encourage you to look for ways to become part of our campus community. Membership in a fraternity or sorority may offer you a unique opportunity to be of service to your campus and surrounding communities, develop leadership skills, form meaningful relationships, and enjoy a variety of well-planned social activities.

At Central, we are committed to helping students learn and to intentionally encourage the development of productive, creative, ethical and engaged citizens and leaders, in and out of the classroom.

The Greek community is an integral part of student life at Central, and we hope the tradition will continue with you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Don Betz, Ph.D.
President, University of Central Oklahoma
Welcome

Welcome to the University of Central Oklahoma. We are excited you have chosen to become a part of the Central family. Getting involved on campus is one of the best ways to Connect to Central. The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life is composed of more than 20 organizations that are a part of the Panhellenic, Interfraternity, Independent Greek Council, Multicultural or National Pan-Hellenic councils. Each organization offers leadership and community service opportunities while promoting academic excellence and involvement. Our mission is to create a community that enhances the member’s experience by empowering our organizations to uphold the values of unity, leadership, scholarship, service and building of relationships.

Our men and women are student leaders on campus and excel in the classroom. The basis of fraternities and sororities is fostering brotherhood and sisterhood while helping each member develop his or her individual potential.

We know you will enjoy being a part of fraternity and sorority life at Central, and we are excited to welcome you to the Broncho family.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us. You can reach us at (405) 974-2580 or at fsl@uco.edu.

Why Go Greek

Greek Life at the University of Central Oklahoma began with the founding of the first fraternity on campus in 1957. That began the legacy of committed members who have contributed to the continued growth and success of the Greek community and UCO. Many sororities and fraternities have been founded along the way, and their members continue to serve the university community with pride. Our Greek community boasts a legacy of committed members who have contributed to the continued growth and success. When you go Greek, you take an offer to unlock your potential, enhance your personal attributes and unleash your passion! It’s truly the most exciting and life-changing experience you can start while you’re in college. Being Greek opens doors to academic initiatives, campus involvement, leadership opportunities, philanthropic service, personal enrichment and a connection that lasts a lifetime. With 20 unique Greek organizations, there is an opportunity for everyone. Be Unique, Choose UCO Greek!

For details on how our organizations, refer to the front page of each section in this viewbook.
What is NPC?
The National Panhellenic Council is comprised of five national and international sorority organizations: Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Xi Delta, Delta Zeta and Sigma Kappa. Together, our chapters form UCO’s Panhellenic which is governed by the Panhellenic Council. The Panhellenic Council at UCO supports the mission of the university, the Central Six and promotes the values of Fraternity and Sorority Life. Each year Panhellenic provides educational, service, leadership and social activities for our councils and student body to enjoy. Panhellenic promotes unity among our members and councils. Though each of our members may join one organization we are all panhellenic and we take great pride in coming together to make fraternity and sorority life great.

Core Values
Our fraternities and sororities are unique in their individual values, but as a community we have a set of shared values. Our chapters and councils work hard to uphold these ideals by providing enriching experiences and valuable programs.

Mission
The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life will create a community that enhances the member’s experience by empowering our organizations to uphold the values of unity, leadership, scholarship, service and building of relationships.

Leadership
We develop our members to be well-rounded, influential leaders for today, for tomorrow and for the future.
As a member of a fraternity or sorority, you are provided with numerous opportunities for the development of leadership skills. Each chapter is self-governed and relies on the individual talents and leadership skills of its members to run effectively. The Greek community provides students the opportunity to transform into well-rounded graduates through opportunities to get involved at the chapter, council or community level. These leadership roles often provide a place where students can gain valuable experience managing events, balancing budgets, leading other people, serving as a liaison to external constituents or even representing the entire Greek community to an audience of prospective or incoming students to the university.

Scholarship
We set the standard for academic excellence.
The purpose of college is to achieve an education, and Greek organizations are committed to fraternity and sorority values of academic achievement. Providing an atmosphere in which each member can achieve academic self-respect and self-responsibility is of utmost importance. Many chapters assist new members in developing good study habits and time management skills to make the adjustment to college easier. The office of Fraternity and Sorority Life requires a minimum 2.5 grade point average to receive a bid for membership. Historically, the grade point average for Central’s fraternity and sorority community is higher than their unaffiliated peers.

Relationships
We are Central.
One of the most important aspects of joining a fraternity or sorority is the bond of brotherhood and sisterhood. There is a sense of unity and friendship among members of each chapter, as well as a feeling of Greek unity on campus. The recruitment process introduces students to individuals who come together to share common interests and form a cohesive group. It is often said friendships developed in college will last a lifetime. Fraternity and sorority life is an experience one never forgets. Students find members of the chapter will have similar goals, values and ideals. Having these things in common with the organization provides a sense of acceptance and belonging, a home away from home. Brothers and sisters will be there to share the college experience, but also will stay close for years to come.

Service
We provide service to our chapters, councils, campus and community through philanthropic endeavors and civic engagement.
Philanthropy is a project, event or activity sponsored by a chapter through which donations of goods, money and/or time are given to charitable organizations. The desire to serve others is one of the most important qualities developed in a fraternity or sorority member.
Each chapter has chosen a local or national philanthropy to support. You’ll find those organizations or programs listed on the following pages. We encourage you to ask the chapter members about their activities and events.

www.uco.edu/fsl
THE INDEPENDENT FRATERNITY INCLUDES:
• Beta Upsilon Chi

THE INDEPENDENT SORORITIES INCLUDE:
• Sigma Phi Lambda
• Kappa Phi

HOW TO JOIN:
Each chapter will host their own recruitment events. Following all organizations social media is a good way to keep up to date with their upcoming events. You may also contact each organization to express interest or ask questions. In addition to organization’s social media, following the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life social media pages will also provide information about upcoming events.

THE INDEPENDENT GREEK COUNCIL

In 1988, the founding of Sigma Phi Lambda on the campus of the University of Texas at Austin sparked new growth for the Christian sorority. “Phi Lamb” was founded by women who saw brotherhood in Beta Upsilon Chi and wished to create a female counterpart, since BYX was a male-only organization. Sigma Phi Lambda today has an executive director, a national board of directors and regional directors. It is the largest Christian social sorority in the nation with 31 chapters.

Beta Upsilon Chi founders declared it to be an alternative to the stereotypical fraternal lifestyle and set its purpose as “establishing brotherhood and unity among college men, based upon the common bond of Jesus Christ.” Though originally conceived as a local Christian fraternity, efforts from Christian students at neighboring Texas schools convinced the founders of BYX to initiate new members and colonize new chapters. In 1989, BYX leaders initiated men from Texas Christian University to colonize Beta Chapter of Beta Upsilon Chi.

Kappa Phi began in 1915 as a women’s Sunday School class in a Methodist Church in Lawrence, Kansas. Mrs. Gordon B. (Harriet) Thompson, the wife of the Wesley Foundation pastor, was the teacher of this group of freshmen women who would become the core of Kappa Phi. The following year, the group welcomed any Methodist woman attending the University of Kansas and The Kappa Phi Club was born. The organization now has nearly 30 active chapters across the country.

These organizations focus on internal discipleship and growth, using their resources for the Evangelical concept of evangelism to the outside community. These organizations concentrate on the concept of Christian accountability and have programs designed to address this issue. Great emphasis also is placed on spiritual growth and development of members.

www.uco.edu/fsl
Beta Upsilon Chi was formed at The University of Texas at Austin in the spring of 1985 by a handful of Christian men who desired an alternative to the present fraternal lifestyle. A group of Christian men met and planned the “BYX Island Party” to formally announce the fraternity’s founding. It was the vision of the founding fathers to have a fraternity of committed Christian men, based on the unique brotherhood a Christian atmosphere affords, for the purpose of fellowship and glorification of Jesus Christ.

Through such events as parties, service projects, and evangelical outreaches, the charter members of Beta Upsilon Chi chose to unite in fellowship and glorify Jesus Christ on the University of Texas campus.

After beginning at UT, the vision of Brothers Under Christ has spread to 34 campuses in Texas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Missouri, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Kansas, South Carolina, Connecticut and Ohio.

BYX stresses five core values: Brotherhood, Unity, Faith, Leadership and Character.

In the Spring of 2010, Tylar Claypool, Caleb Glennie, Kyle Rice, and Kevin East came together with the vision of establishing a Beta Upsilon Chi at the University of Central Oklahoma. These men believed BYX would provide an outlet for Christian men to engage in the social aspect of college as well as find deep spiritual growth and unity. These four men began to search for college men who shared a common vision of a social Christian fraternity. As the group grew, they started to meet once a week to share in fellowship, brotherhood and devotion. In the Fall of 2010, the UCO prospective chapter was invited to attend National Officer Training in Cedar Hill, Texas. There, they learned about officer roles in depth and had the opportunity to meet the officers of other chapters. In the Spring of 2011, the UCO prospective chapter was about 20 men. In April of 2011, National Adviser Nick England and Executive Director Jason Hoyt visited the prospective UCO chapter. On August 29, 2011, the UCO group was formally initiated into Beta Upsilon Chi as the Alpha Epsilon Chapter, becoming the 29th chapter in the fraternity’s history.
Sigma Phi Lambda exists for the sole purpose of glorifying our Lord Jesus Christ and making His name great. We strive to glorify God by providing fellowship to college women who sincerely seek to know His person, His will and His ways.

Our heart and passion can be summed up in our sorority verse, Romans 15:5-6:

“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and one mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Sigma Phi Lambda, Sisters for the Lord, was prayerfully founded in 1988 at the University of Texas by a group of women who envisioned a sorority that would provide Christian fellowship on the UT campus. The five founding members drafted the original constitution that defined the purpose, structure and day-to-day running of the sorority and its requirements for membership. They were then joined by eight charter members, and, with God’s help, these 13 women created the organization we know today as Phi Lamb.

Through weekly meetings including worship, encouragement, fellowship and accountability, Phi Lamb provides an alternative to Panhellenic sororities.
Kappa Phi is an independent sorority whose foundations are set on Christ-centered values. Our purpose is to pursue together a deeper understanding of who God is, challenge each other to realize our individual potential, be a supportive and encouraging community, inspire one another to step up in leadership in our work fields and church, and commit to positive action to glorify Jesus. We believe in powerful and influential women, empowered by Christ.

We were founded in 1916 at the University of Kansas by a minister’s wife, Mrs. Gordon B. Thompson. She desired to create a college women’s organization to support and help grow women’s spiritual lives as well as invest in them to be leaders for the future. During that time period, nothing like this was existent for university women. Our chapter here at UCO was founded in 1993.

Our slogan is Sisters in Christ, Sisters for Life. We meet once a week on Monday nights, focusing on our four pillars: sisterhood, worship, bible study, and service. We do rush, big/little reveal, and have a membership process. We are actively involved in the Greek community, participating in homecoming events. We provide an alternative to Panhellenic sororities while still providing lifelong friendships and memories.
THE NORTH-AMERICAN INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE (NIC)

The North-American Interfraternity Conference is an association of collegiate men’s fraternities was formally organized in 1910, although it began on November 27, 1909. The power of the organization rests in a House of Delegates where each member fraternity is represented by a single delegate. However, the group’s executive and administrative powers are vested in an elected board of directors consisting of nine volunteers from various NIC fraternities. Headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, the NIC also operates a small professional staff.

The NIC serves to advocate the needs of its member fraternities through enrichment of the fraternity experience; advancement and growth of the fraternity community; and enhancement of the educational mission of the host institutions. The NIC also is committed to enhancing the benefits of fraternity membership.

The Interfraternity Council is the governing body of the six fraternities on UCO’s campus. As such, it establishes guidelines for managing the issues and activities of the chapters. The purpose of the council is to promote unity among the individual chapters, build relationships between the Greek community and the University, and to ensure the fraternities follow the rules, policies and regulations passed by the council. The council also provides leadership and structured programs for fraternity growth and development.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR RECRUITMENT:

To participate in Fall Formal Recruitment, please submit the online recruitment registration form, the registration fee, an official transcript and a picture of the registerant (a senior picture is suggested). Register online at www.uco.edu/fsl. Click on “IFC Recruitment” to complete the online registration form. The cost to register is $20 before Aug. 28. The registration fee is non-refundable. Recruitment is Aug. 28-Sept. 2.

For more information, please refer to the IFC Viewbook.

Email: ifc@uco.edu

THE IFC CHAPTERS INCLUDE:

- Acacia
- Alpha Tau Omega
- Pi Kappa Alpha
- Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- Sigma Nu
- Sigma Tau Gamma
ACACIA

Chapter: No. 61

Founded: May 12, 1904, at University of Michigan

Date founded at UCO: 1964

Philanthropy: National Shriner’s Hospital, Local Ally’s House.

Flower: Sprig of Acacia

Colors: Black and Old Gold

Famous Members: William Howard Taft, Gary Patterson and David P. Osborne

Fun Fact: We are a Masonic Fraternity

National Website: www.acacia.org

Local Website: www.centralacacia.com

The year was 1904. Winston Churchill was 30 years old. Anton Chekov passed away. The United States gained control of the Panama Canal Zone for $10 million. George M. Cohan’s song, “The Yankee Doodle Boy,” was published. The first Olympic Games ever held in America took place in St. Louis. And on May 12, fourteen Master Masons attending the University of Michigan founded Acacia Fraternity.

Acacia’s founders established the fraternity on a unique basis. Membership was restricted to those who had already taken the Masonic obligations, and the organization was to be built on the ideals and principles inculcated by the vows taken by Master Masons. Within one year, four other Masonic clubs received Acacia charters, paving the way for rapid expansion in the following years.

Members were to be motivated by a desire for high scholarship and such character the fraternity would be free of the social vices and unbecoming activities that for years had been a blot on the fraternity life.

The evolution and development of Acacia over the years has resulted in a fraternity considerably different from what the founders originally envisioned. But, each major change has been an adaptation to the needs of new conditions, and each has permitted the fraternity to grow in reputation, influence and strength.
Alpha Tau Omega began as an idea in the mind of a young Civil War veteran who wanted peace and reconciliation. His name was Otis Allan Glazebrook. His people were defeated, many of their cities burned, much of their countryside ravaged. But Glazebrook, who had helped bury the dead of both sides, believed in a better future. He saw the bitterness and hatred that followed the silencing of the guns and knew a true peace would come not from force of law, but rather from with the hearts of men who were willing to work to rekindle a spirit of brotherly love.

On September 11, 1865, Glazebrook invited two close friends to his home at 114 East Clay Street in Richmond, Virginia. There, in the rear parlor, he read them the Constitution he had written and invited them to sign. As they did, Alpha Tau Omega was born. It was the first fraternity founded after the Civil War, and the first sign of Greek Life in the old Confederacy. “To know no north, no south, no east, no west, but to know man as man…” This is part of our creed, and it holds true to this day. As men of Alpha Tau Omega, we accept all men, no matter their background. We strive as an organization to help these men to grow in their manhood, faith and leadership. In doing this, we hold ourselves to a high standard in order to meet these principles.

Alpha Tau Omega rechartered at the University of Central Oklahoma on November 8, 2014, and helps the young men on this campus to have prosperous lives and to complete their journey through college. As a fraternity, we strive to help mold these men to be the next leaders of this generation.
Since PIKE first stepped onto campus in 2000, they have taken UCO by storm.

Six founders originated one of the oldest fraternities in the United States, Pi Kappa Alpha, at the University of Virginia. These founders based the fraternity on four strong pillars: Scholars, Leaders, Athletes and Gentlemen.

With more than 250 chapters internationally, Pi Kappa Alpha is one of the largest and most prestigious fraternities in the world. There has never been a better time to not only be a PIKE, but specifically, a member of the Lambda Iota chapter at the University of Central Oklahoma.

The Lambda Iota chapter has been recognized by Pi Kappa Alpha as one of the top chapters in the nation while making a strong commitment to excellence and educational foundation. Without a doubt, Pi Kappa Alpha has made its mark at UCO and will continue to do so.

PI KAPPA ALPHA

ΠΚΑ

Chapter: Lambda Iota

Founded: March 1, 1868, at the University of Virginia

Date founded at UCO: April 13, 2002

Philanthropy: Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Oklahoma

Flower: Lilly of the Valley

Mascot: Fire Truck

Colors: Garnet and Old Gold

Famous Members: Jon Stewart, Tim McGraw, Bobby Bowden, Scott Van Pelt, Jan Kinsler and Jeremy Piven

Fun Fact: The lead guitarist and drummer for the band Hinder were founding members of the UCO Pike chapter in 2002.

National Website: www.pikes.org

Local Website: www.ucopikes.com
Sigma Alpha Epsilon strives to give young men the leadership, scholarship, service and social experiences they need to excel in the walls outside their campus and once they graduate. We firmly believe membership is for life. In addition, we strive to mold our members into gentlemen so they can set an example in today’s society. Sigma Alpha Epsilon has more than 325,000 initiates and remains the largest Greek fraternity in the country.

The mission of Sigma Alpha Epsilon is to promote the highest standards of friendship, scholarship and service for our members based upon the ideals set forth by our Founders and as specifically enunciated in “The True Gentleman.”

“The True Gentleman is the man whose conduct proceeds from good will and an acute sense of propriety, and whose self-control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor man conscious of his poverty, the obscure man of his obscurity, or any man of his inferiority or deformity; who is himself humbled if necessity compels him to humble another; who does not flatter wealth, cringe before power, or boast of his own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness but always with sincerity and sympathy; whose deed follows his word; who thinks of the rights and feelings of others, rather than his own; and who appears well in any company, a man with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe.” — John Walter Wayland

Sigma Alpha Colony
Founded: March 9, 1856, at the University of Alabama
Date founded at UCO: Spring 2016
Philanthropy: Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals
Flower: Violet
Mascot: Lion, Phoenix
Colors: Royal Purple and Old Gold
Famous Members: William McKinley, William Faulkner, Dierks Bentley, Nick Lachey, Lloyd and Beau Bridges, and Troy Aikman.
Fun Fact: SAE was the first fraternity to have a national headquarters and a leadership school.

National Website: www.sae.net

www.uco.edu/fsl
Sigma Nu Fraternity was founded by three Civil War veterans. It was the first college fraternity to be founded in direct opposition to hazing.

The Mu Tau Chapter of Sigma Nu at UCO adheres to vital Risk Reduction policies and the use of GreekLife.edu, an alcohol misuse and sexual harassment prevention program. Since being chartered in March 2002, Sigma Nu at UCO has been a haven for campus leadership. This is credited to Mu Tau's utilization of the fraternity's highly renowned member development program, LEAD, with focus on Campus Involvement, Intellectual Development and Values Congruent Environments. Members are students first and fraternity men second, which helps them meet the minimum GPA standard of 2.5. By living out Sigma Nu's values every day, its members have experiences that transform them from men to honorable men, with a foundation for success in their professions and their lives.

**Values**

Love, Honor, Truth

**Mission**

To develop ethical leaders inspired by the principles of Love, Honor and Truth.

To foster the personal growth of each man’s mind, heart and character.

To perpetuate lifelong friendships and commitment to the Fraternity.

**Vision**

Excelling with Honor

**Creed**

To Believe in the Life of Love, To Walk in the Way of Honor, To Serve in the Light of Truth - This is the Life, the Way, and the Light of Sigma Nu, This is the Creed of our Fraternity.”
Sigma Tau Gamma has been setting the standard for fraternity life since it joined the UCO community in 1959. Sigma Tau Gamma is a fraternity founded on the Path of Principles, which include Value, Learning, Leadership, Excellence, Benefit and Integrity. Sigma Tau Gamma continues to grow and expand at universities across the United States.

Odds are you won’t go far on the UCO campus without running into a member of the Sig Tau brotherhood. You’ll find them involved with various student organizations, leading in campus activities, and serving alongside the Volunteer and Service Learning Center.

The local Beta Zeta chapter was recognized in 2012 as one of the top five chapters in the nation. The men of Sigma Tau Gamma pride themselves in excelling in scholarship, community service, campus involvement and intramurals.

One thing is certain — the future is bright for the men of Sigma Tau Gamma.
THE MGC SORORITIES INCLUDE:
- Kappa Delta Chi Sorority
- Sigma Lambda Gamma Sorority

THE MGC FRATERNITY INCLUDES:
- Omega Delta Phi Fraternity

HOW TO JOIN:
To learn more about the Multicultural Greek Council or express your interest in joining, please visit www.uco.edu/fsl to complete the Multicultural Greek Council Interest Form. Once you have completed the form, the information you provided will be passed along to the chapters.

Following all organization social media is a good way to keep up to date with upcoming events each chapter has. In addition to organization’s social media, following the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life social media pages will also provide information about upcoming events.

MULTICULTURAL GREEK COUNCIL
The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) is an umbrella council for twelve Multicultural Greek Letter Organizations. The purpose of MGC is to provide a forum that allows for the free exchange of ideas, programs, and services between its constituent fraternities and sororities; to promote the awareness of multicultural diversity within collegiate institutions, their surrounding communities, and the greater community-at-large; and to support and promote the works of its member organizations.

The 1980s and 1990s saw the emergence of a multicultural fraternity/sorority movement. It seemed like new fraternities and sororities were popping up everywhere. But, not the typical fraternity and sorority. The end of the twentieth century gave birth to a colorful movement – that of multiculturalism.

Newly formed fraternities and sororities were looking to write a new page in the Greek-letter society history books. The message that they announced was the inclusiveness of all cultures, races, religions, and creeds.
In 1987 four young women from the Rio Grande Valley had a vision while attending Texas Tech University in Lubbock, TX. Their vision was to create something so special and unique it would leave a legacy for others who followed. They recognized the need to unify and promote leadership amongst Hispanic women at the university. That vision became Kappa Delta Chi. The Founders are Cynthia Garza-Fleitman, Nellie Flores-Ledesma, Irene Montoya and Melissa Montoya. With the strong foundations of service, Christianity and friendship, they created a sisterhood that 20 years later is stronger than ever.

The Purpose of Kappa Delta Chi is to promote the values of Unity, Honesty, Integrity and Leadership among women at colleges and universities. Through numerous service events, sisterhood retreats, and academic and cultural workshops, KDChis learn more about themselves, each other and their surrounding Universities and communities. They blossom into committed leaders, are able to network with our remarkable alumnae, and continue to serve as civic leaders well past their graduation. KDChi is a non-traditional sorority full of diverse members and eager women ready to make a difference in our communities. With sisters, anything is possible.

Through the hard work and dedication of all its members, Kappa Delta Chi is now one of the strongest Latina-based sororities in the country, and is proud to have the reputation of the most powerful network among Latinas leaders. Prestigious to be the first of its kind in the Southwest, KDChi currently holds chapters in seven regions, 14 states and more than 40 institutions of higher education. Kappa Delta Chi also brings a rich tradition of excellence to the institutions where they reside. KDChi boasts an average grade point average of 2.95 nationally and provides more than 40,000 hours of community service annually to our communities.

Leading with Integrity, United through Service.

Chapter: Beta Kappa
Founded: April 6, 1987, at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas
Date Founded at UCO: October 24, 2014
Philanthropy: American Cancer Society
Flower: Pink Rose
Mascot: Penguin
Stone: Emerald
Colors: Pink and Maroon
Fun Fact: Kappa Delta Chi is incorporated as a service sorority and has approximately 3,000 sisters nationwide.
Website: www.kappadeltachi.org
Sigma Lambda Gamma is a sisterhood of women who strive to achieve personal development and awareness of the responsibility of community involvement for the betterment of our local, regional, national and global communities through the efforts of a network of close to 3,000 sorority members. Furthermore, we continue to be a pioneer in the Greek fraternal world through development of innovative programming initiatives, such as the Young Women’s Leadership Program and Emotional Intelligence.

Today, Sigma Lambda Gamma is the largest, historically Latina-based national sorority with a multicultural membership in chapters and alumnae associations throughout the United States. Membership into Sigma Lambda Gamma is open to women of exceptional morals and ethics with a demonstrated commitment to academic excellence, women who are pursuing or have completed courses leading to a degree in an accredited college or university.

**Chapter:** Phi Beta  
**Founded:** April 9, 1990, at University of Iowa  
**Date founded at UCO:** July 11, 2003  
**Philanthropy:** Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Awareness  
**Flower:** Pink Rose  
**Mascot:** Purple panther  
**Stone:** Purple Amethyst  
**Colors:** Shocking Pink and Majestic Purple  
**Fun Fact:** Sigma Lambda Gamma is a national Latina-based sorority. They are cousins to gentlemen of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., and the ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.  
**Website:** www.sigmalambdagamma.com
The purpose of this Brotherhood, a Service/Social fraternity dedicated to the needs and concerns of the community, is and shall be to promote and maintain the traditional values of Unity, Honesty, Integrity, and Leadership. This Brotherhood was founded in order to provide, to ANY man, a diverse fraternal experience, which coincides with a higher education.

Since 1987, Omega Delta Phi has been an organization perpetually dedicated to the idea of constant growth and improvement. We must work to form an organization, which not only challenges the traditional perception of fraternities, but also deals with the issues of culture and race in a completely new perspective. Thinking out of the box is no longer an acceptable plateau; the box must now be removed completely.

Omega Delta Phi is a multicultural service/social fraternity that aims at graduating its members while giving back to the community. The Fraternity has established itself on 52 campuses and is predominantly centered in Texas and the Southwest. However, the Fraternity has been experiencing tremendous growth in the Midwest the last 10 years. Although founded mainly by Latinos, the Fraternity has traditionally always been open to men of different backgrounds, as demonstrated through its “One culture, any race” philosophy.

Chapter: Beta Eta
Founded: November 25, 1987, at Texas Tech University
Date founded at UCO: April 30, 2011
Philanthropy: Reaching Out, CASA, Young Knights
Flower: Silver Rose
Mascot: Knight
Colors: Scarlet and Silver
Fun Fact: Is the first fraternity in the UCO Multicultural Greek Council.
Website: www.omegadeltaphi.com
Chapter:
Epsilon Sigma
Founded:
1899 at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, IL
Philanthropy:
Ronald Reagan’s Alzheimer’s Association and St. Jude’s Children Hospital
Flower:
Red Carnation
Mascot:
Greek God Apollo
Colors:
Crimson Lake and Pure Silver
Famous Members:
President Ronald Reagan, Elvis Presley, Willie Nelson, Terry Bradshaw and Steve Forbes
Fun Fact:
TKE was the first fraternity at University of Central Oklahoma and it’s the largest active social fraternity in the world with 270+ active chapters and colonies
Date founded at UCO:
February 23, 1957
Website:
www.tke.org
Local Website:
www.ucotke.com

On the cold night of January 10, 1899, students of Illinois Wesleyan University, in the small Midwestern town of Bloomington, had just returned from the Christmas holidays when Joseph L. Settles went to the room occupied by James C. McNutt and Clarence A. Mayer at 504 East Locust Street to discuss the organization of a new society on campus. Joined immediately by Owen I. Truitt and C. Roy Atkinson, these five students created the first set of regulations for the Knights of Classic Lore, a society whose avowed purpose was “to aid college men in mental, moral, and social development.”

Vision
Tau Kappa Epsilon creates lifelong relationships that enhance educational, interpersonal, community and professional success.

Mission
Our mission is to aid men in their mental, moral, and social development for life.

Purpose
TKE contributes to the advancement of society through the personal growth of our members, and service to others.

NATIONAL PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL (NPHC)
All NPHC groups put a strong emphasis on community service, brotherhood and sisterhood, and scholarship. An all NPHC/Multicultural Greek Council Informational is held in the Nigh University Center. This is a great opportunity for you to visit with the chapters and ask questions about the process for membership.

NPHC is the governing body of the historically black fraternities and sororities. The University of Central Oklahoma has seven of the nine national NPHC chapters. The NPHC recruitment process is called Membership Intake and occurs at various times throughout the school year as each NPHC chapter conducts its own unique process. The start of the process for each group is generally an informational meeting. Those meetings will be advertised through campus flyers and will be available in the Greek Life office at the start of the semester. Before taking part in intake, you will need to complete a minimum of 12 college credit hours and have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA. However, some organizations require more hours. It’s best to attend the Informational to discover the requirements for the organization(s) that interest you.

THE NPHC FRATERNITIES AT UCO INCLUDE:
• Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
• Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

THE NPHC SORORITIES AT UCO INCLUDE:
• Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
• Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
• Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
• Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.
Since its founding on December 4, 1906, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. has supplied voice and vision to the struggle of African-Americans and people of color around the world. Alpha Phi Alpha, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for African Americans, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, by seven college men, known as the “Jewels,” who recognized the need for a strong bond of brotherhood among African descendants in this country. Alpha Phi Alpha has long stood at the forefront of the African-American community’s fight for civil rights through leaders such as: W.E.B. Dubois, Adam Clayton Powell Jr., Edward Brooke, Martin Luther King Jr., Thurgood Marshall and many others.

The Zeta Sigma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha was founded on November 3, 1969. Since then, the brothers of Zeta Sigma chapter have acquired many accolades, such as Alpha Phi Alpha’s Oklahoma District Chapter of the Year, BSA Step Show Champions and two UCO outstanding senior leader awards. During the school year, chapter initiatives include programs such as Jazz on the Nile, Black Man's Caucus, Canned Food Drive, A Voteless People is a Hopeless People, Go to High School Go to College and My Brother’s Keeper.

Chapter: Zeta Sigma
Founded: December 4, 1906, at Cornell University
Date founded at UCO: November 3, 1969
Philanthropy: March of Dimes, Head Start of America and Boys & Girls Club
Flower: Yellow Rose
Symbol: Great Sphinx of Egypt
Colors: Black and Old Gold
Famous Members: Martin Luther King Jr., Thurgood Marshall and Kennan Ivory Wayans
Fun Fact: 60% of Black male doctors are Alpha men, 65% of Black male lawyers are Alpha men, 70% of Black male dentists are Alpha men.
Website: www.alphaphialpha.net

www.uco.edu/fsl
OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.

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Chapter: Sigma Kappa

Founded: November 17, 1911, at Howard University

Date founded at UCO: March 10, 1978

Philanthropy: Chapters participate in activities that will uplift their communities. Some of the activities include voter registration, blood drives, Habitat for Humanity, mentoring and participation in fundraisers for charitable organizations.

Symbol: Lamp

Colors: Royal Purple and Old Gold

Famous Members: Dr. Charles Drew, Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Langston Hughes, Rev. Jesse Jackson, Benjamin Hooks, Michael Jordan, Shaquille O’Neal, Steve Harvey, Rickey Smiley

Fun Fact: Omega Psi Phi was the first African American fraternity established at a historically black college.

Website: www.omegapsiphifraternity.org

Omega Psi Phi was founded on November 17, 1911, at Howard University in Washington, D.C. The founders were three Howard University undergraduates — Edgar Amos Love, Oscar James Cooper and Frank Coleman. Joining them was their faculty adviser, Dr. Ernest Everett Just. Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., is the first international fraternal organization to be founded on the campus of a historically black college or university.

Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift were adopted as Cardinal Principles.

There are many notable Omega men recognized as leaders in the arts, the sciences, academics, athletics, business, civil rights, education, government and science sectors at the local, national and international level.

Omega continues to flourish, largely because its founders were men of the very highest ideals and intellect. These founders selected and attracted men of similar ideals and characteristics. It is not by accident that many of America’s great black men are or were Omega Men.

There are very few Americans whose lives have not been touched by a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.
On January 1, 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., became the first Greek-letter organization established by and for Black women. Her roots first bloomed at Howard University, Washington, D.C., where the idea for formation was conceived by Ethel Hedgeman Lyle. She viewed the sorority as an instrument for enriching the communal and intellectual aspects of college life by providing mental stimulation through interaction with friends and associates and engaging in meaningful tasks to propel the condition of the surrounding communities. The formation of this sorority came one generation after the abolishment of slavery — meaning quite possibly the founders’ parents and grandparents were former slaves now living the dream of being freedmen. Realizing this crucial aspect, Lyle desired to use the sorority as the first step toward improving social stature for this postantebellum generation of African-American citizens.

Through the years, Alpha Kappa Alpha’s has become more complex. After her incorporation as a perpetual body on January 29, 1913, Alpha Kappa Alpha gradually branched out and became the channel through which selected college-trained women improved the socioeconomic conditions in their city, state, nation and world. Moreover, as the ideals of the past were being replaced with progressive thought and global equality, there was a need for associations that cut across racial, geographical, political, physical and social barriers. As the sorority grew, it kept in balance two important themes: the importance of the individual and the strength of an organization of women of ability and courage. Alpha Kappa Alpha has grown from one undergraduate chapter to an international organization with a membership of more than 200,000 women in more than 950 chapters. Our membership consists of ladies of distinction and exemplary character who excel in scholarship, leadership and service. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., is the epitome of class and grace.
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority was founded on January 13, 1913, by 22 collegiate women at Howard University. These students wanted to use their collective strength to promote academic excellence and to provide assistance to persons in need. The first public act performed by the Delta Founders involved their participation in the Women’s Suffrage March in Washington, D.C., in March 1913. Delta Sigma Theta was incorporated in 1930.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. A sisterhood of more than 200,000 predominately Black college educated women, the sorority currently has more than 900 chapters located in the United States, England, Japan (Tokyo and Okinawa), Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas and the Republic of Korea. The major programs of the sorority are based upon the organization’s Five Point Programmatic Thrust:

- Economic Development
- Educational Development
- International Awareness and Involvement
- Physical and Mental Health
- Political Awareness and Involvement

Delta Sigma Theta has more than 200,000 members in 900 chapters worldwide. Each year the sorority conducts an International Day of Service that supports the Five Point Thrust. Delta Sigma Theta prides itself on public service.
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. was organized on November 12, 1922, in Indianapolis, Indiana, by seven young educators: Mary Lou Allison Gardner Little, Dorothy Hanley Whiteside, Vivian White Marbury, Nannie Mae Gahn Johnson, Hattie Mae Annette Dulin Redford, Bessie Mae Downey Rhoades Martin and Cubena McClure. The group became an incorporated national collegiate sorority on December 30, 1929, when a charter was granted to Alpha chapter at Butler University. Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority is a leading national service organization and continues to grow through Sisterhood, Scholarship and Service.

Sigma Gamma Rho offers its members opportunities to develop their unique talents through leadership training and involvement in sorority activities. Sorority activities provide an atmosphere where friendships and professional contacts are developed which lead to bonds that last a lifetime.

Sigma women are dedicated to helping each other and their personal success is recognized in The AURORA and through various awards.

Sigma Gamma Rho’s commitment to service is expressed in its slogan, “Greater Service, Greater Progress.” The sorority has a proud history of offering service wherever chapters exist, including OPERATION BigBookBag, a program designed to address the issues that face school-aged children who are educationally at-risk.

Other national projects include Wee Savers, Project Reassurance and Habitat for Humanity. The service of Sigma Gamma Rho from a global perspective includes Project Africa and Project Mwanamugimu. Through active participation in programs and through networking with other organizations such as the National Council of Negro Women, Urban League and the NAACP, Sigma’s legacy of service to improve the quality of life for all mankind continues.

Chapter: Theta Pi
Founded: November 12, 1922, Butler University in Indiana
Date founded at UCO: May 31, 1981
Philanthropy: Operation Big Book Bag, Buckle-up America, Project Reassurance, Project CRADLE Care, and Swim 1922
Flower: Yellow Tea Rose
Symbol: French Poodle
Colors: Royal Blue and Antique Gold
Famous Members: Vaness Bell-Armstrong, Mc Lyte, Ms. Dupre
Fun Fact: Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., is the only NPHC female organization founded on a predominantly white campus
Website: www.sgrho1922.org

www.uco.edu/fsl
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., was founded January 16, 1920, at Howard University, in Washington, D.C. The Klan was very active during this period, and the Harlem Renaissance was acknowledged as the first important movement of Black artists and writers in the U.S. That same year, the Volstead Act became effective, heralding the start of Prohibition, and Tennessee delivered the crucial 36th ratification for the final adoption of the 19th Amendment, giving women the right to vote. The worst and longest economic recession to hit the U.S. would define the end of the decade — The Great Depression.

It was within this environment that five coeds envisioned a sorority which would directly affect positive change, chart a course of action for the 1920s and beyond, raise consciousness, encourage the highest standards of scholastic achievement, and foster a greater sense of unity among its members. These women believed that sorority elitism and socializing overshadowed the real mission for progressive organizations and failed to address fully the societal mores, ills, prejudices and poverty affecting humanity in general and the black community in particular.

Since its inception, Zeta has continued its steady climb into the national spotlight with programs designed to demonstrate concern for the human condition both nationally and internationally. The organization has been innovative and chronicled a number of firsts. It was the first National Pan-Hellenic Council organization to centralize its operations in a national headquarters, the first to charter a chapter in Africa, the first to form auxiliary groups, and the first to be constitutionally bound to a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

The sorority takes pride in its continued participation in transforming communities through volunteer services from members and its auxiliaries. Zeta Phi Beta has chartered hundreds of chapters worldwide and has more than 100,000 members.
The National Panhellenic Conference is the premier advocacy and support organization for the advancement of the sorority experience. The National Panhellenic Conference provides support and guidance for its 26 member inter/national sororities/women's fraternities and serves as the national voice on contemporary issues of sorority life. Founded in 1902, NPC is one of the oldest and largest women's membership organizations representing more than 4 million women at 655 college/university campuses and 4,500 local alumnae chapters in the U.S. and Canada. Each year, NPC-affiliated collegians and alumnae donate more than $5 million to worthy causes, provide $2.8 million in scholarships to women and volunteer 500,000 hours in their communities.

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**HOW TO REGISTER FOR RECRUITMENT:**

To participate in Fall Formal Recruitment, the online recruitment registration form, registration fee, an official transcript and an optional picture (a senior picture is suggested) must be submitted. Register online at any time at www.uco.edu/fsl. Click on “Panhellenic Recruitment” and complete the online registration form. The cost to register is $35 before June 30, $40 before July 31 and $45 between August 1-23. The registration fee is non-refundable.

The days include: Orientation, Open Day, Values Day, Preference Day, and Bid Day.

For more information, please refer to the Panhellenic Viewbook.

Email: panhellenic@uco.edu

**THE PANHELLENIC CHAPTERS INCLUDE:**

- Alpha Delta Pi
- Alpha Gamma Delta
- Alpha Xi Delta
- Delta Zeta
- Sigma Kappa
The story begins in 1851 at Wesleyan Female College in Macon, Georgia, where six incredible women changed the world. Led by Eugenia Tucker Fitzgerald, our founders formed The Adelphean Society for “the mental, moral, social, and domestic improvement of its members.” The Adelphean Society, later renamed Alpha Delta Pi, was the first secret society for college women. The principles of scholarship, leadership, sisterhood, and service guide over 215,000 women in more than 140 active collegiate chapters and over 150 alumnae associates of Alpha Delta Pi.

Since 1979, Alpha Delta Pi has been committed to serving Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC). RMHC provides a home away from home for families with seriously ill or injured children by offering them a comfortable, temporary residence in proximity to a medical facility. As Alpha Delta Pi’s we spend our time and energy volunteering at our local Ronald McDonald House in Oklahoma City.

Come home to Alpha Delta Pi and find women who are true and loyal, just like our blue and white colors represent. Our sisters are leaders and visionaries that are committed to sisterhood, values and ethics, high academic standards, and social responsibility. We committed to those when we established the first secret society for collegiate women in 1851 at the first university that chartered degrees to women. We are committed to them still today. We are the First. Finest. Forever. Since 1851.
Alpha Gamma Delta is an international women’s fraternity founded by 11 women on May 30, 1904 at Syracuse University. Each of the Fraternity’s 11 founders were progressive women who selflessly contributed to the foundation and growth of Alpha Gamma Delta. Since the founding, collegiate chapters have been installed at 185 colleges and universities across North America and more than 160,000 women have become Alpha Gam sisters. Guided by our Purpose, Alpha Gamma Deltas are impacting our communities and contributing to the world’s work.

Alpha Gamma Delta promotes academic excellence, philanthropic giving, ongoing leadership and personal development and above all, a spirit of loving sisterhood. Guided by our Purpose, Alpha Gamma Deltas strive to attain a higher standard, thereby improving their lives, the lives of those around them and the communities in which they live. Together, we continually work to inspire the woman and impact the world.

Alpha Gamma Delta has been at the University of Central Oklahoma for over 50 years. We have maintained a strong sisterhood and strong campus involvement. Another aspect of Alpha Gams at UCO is scholarship. The most important aspect of being an Alpha Gam at UCO is taking time to give back to the community. Out of the 185 chapters of Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Gam at UCO was one of the top three donating chapters for the 2011 year. The Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation supports Diabetes Research and Awareness. Alpha Gamma Deltas are women of excellence who set themselves to a higher standard. Alpha Gamma Delta provides its members with a sisterhood that will last a lifetime.

**Inspire the Woman. Impact the World.**
“Realize Your Potential” Alpha Xi Delta helps women realize their potentials everyday. Our chapter lives out our potential daily by striving to be the leaders that we are. Leadership, Knowledge, Sisterhood and Service are the four principles that Alpha Xi Delta was founded on. Our sisters help each other to make sure that we are living these principles and being the best that we can be, therefore, realizing our potential.

Alpha Xi has come a very long way and we are very proud of the great women within this chapter. We have such a variety of personalities and that is something that we are also so proud about. We are all so different yet we all joined this chapter for the same reasons, to create the best sisterhood and to be there for each other.

Alpha Xi’s philanthropy is Autism Speaks. This is our heart and soul of Alpha Xi. Some of the events that we host are Dance Your Boots Off, Football Frenxi, Light It Up Blue, and the Autism Awareness Walk. These are some of the most important events to us, not only because they are super fun to host but because we are raising awareness for something that we love so much.
Delta Zeta Sorority was founded at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio in 1902. Miami is dubbed the “Mother of Fraternities” because of the many prominent men’s fraternities which were founded there.

When six young women came together in 1902 to form a social sorority, they had a vision of lifetime sisterhood fostered by ideals that they cherished. These friends bonded quickly as they faced the challenges of starting a sorority on a male-dominated campus (women had just been given full status as students at Miami University in 1902).

At Delta Zeta we pride ourselves on the diversity of the women who have chosen to call it home. We have sisters from big cities and small towns, some who love gaming and many who choose to spend their time outdoors.

Whatever you love, we know you will find a Delta Zeta sister with the same passions. In 2014, UCO’s Greek community awarded Delta Zeta with an Excellence in Membership Standards recognizing our outstanding New Member Program. Our New Member Program is designed to quickly make our newest members feel comfortable and appreciated as they learn what it means to be a Delta Zeta. We work hard to meet the changing needs of all our members. Most recently our women voted to begin awarding a monthly financial scholarship to pay the dues of a sister who went above and beyond to grow within the values of our sorority: Professionalism, Effort, Academics, Respect, Leadership and Service.

Chapter: Epsilon Upsilon

Founded: October 24, 1902, at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio

Date founded at UCO: September 11, 1956

Philanthropy: Speech and Hearing and the Painted Turtle Camp

Flower: Pink Killarney Rose

Mascot: Turtle

Colors: Rose and Green

Famous Members: Joy Behar, Florence Henderson, Marti Dodson, Nanette Fabray, Princess Martha of Norway; Mercedes Bates, Dr. Carolyn Leach Huntoon, Jean Haley Harper, Esther Stassen, and Hazel Smith

Fun Fact: Delta Zeta is the second largest national sorority with 158 collegiate chapters; largest international sorority

National Website: www.deltazeta.org

Local Website: www.ucodeltazeta.com

www.uco.edu/fsl
Chapter: Delta Chi

Founded: November 9, 1874, at Colby College Waterville, Maine

Date founded at UCO: August 29, 1959

Philanthropy: Alzheimer’s Disease Research, Inherit the Earth, Gerontology, Maine Seacoast Mission

Flower: Violet

Mascot: Dove and Heart

Colors: Lavender and Maroon

Famous Members: Margaret Chase Smith, Maitland Ward and Dr. Rhea Seddon

Fun Fact: Sigma Kappa National Sorority is the No. 1 contributor to Alzheimer’s Disease Research. The chapter recently celebrated its 50th anniversary at UCO.

Local Website: uco.sigmakappa.org

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During the school year of 1873-74, at Colby College in Waterville, Maine five young women decide to form a literary and social society. Their purpose at the outset was the sorority should come what it is now, a national organization of college women. On November 9, 1874, the five founders received a letter from the faculty approving their petition. Thus, this date has since been considered our Founder’s Day. In 1904, the women at Colby College decided to start expanding and become a national sorority on April 19, 1904.

The purpose of Sigma Kappa Sorority is to provide women lifelong opportunities and support for social, intellectual and spiritual development by bringing women together to positively impact our communities. Our values include personal growth, friendship, service and royalty; bound by a promise.

Sigma Kappa supports four national philanthropies. They include: Gerontology, Alzheimer’s disease research, Inherit the Earth, and Maine Seacoast Mission. We volunteer at nursing homes to support Gerontology, raise money to send gift cards to Maine Seacoast Mission, and participate in the Walk to End Alzheimer’s walk to support Alzheimer’s disease research.

There are more than 100 chapters in the United States and over 147,500 women worldwide.

We pride ourselves in upholding our reputation of being classy women on campus.