TIME COMMITMENT

On average, your student should expect to contribute 4-5 hours a week in meetings and mandatory activities. The kind of activities they may participate in will vary depending on which chapter they join. Possible activities may include fundraising for charitable organizations, performing service in the local community, attending social functions with other organizations, mentoring younger members, etc. If your student has time, they also may choose to participate in optional activities, such as holding an office, attending campus events, or helping with various projects.

Some organizations require more time than others and commitments may increase during particularly busy times of year, such as recruitment or Homecoming. Advise your student to ask questions regarding time commitments during recruitment.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

As valued members of the Central community, parents and families play an integral role as a support network for our students. When appropriate, fraternities and sororities actively engage parents and families in their activities and events. If you’re invited to attend Mom’s Day, Dad’s Day, rituals, or other functions, we hope you’ll consider attending.

Parents and families play a vital role in the success of fraternities and sororities at the University of Central Oklahoma. We welcome your involvement while we develop model students, campus and community leaders, and alumni equipped for their future careers.
Hello Broncho parents and family members! We want you to have all of the information you need to help your student make the best decision about their participation in fraternity and sorority life. This pamphlet will help you understand what it means to be a fraternity or sorority member at UCO.

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- Alpha Phi Alpha
- Beta Upsilon Chi
- Delta Chi
- Omega Delta Phi
- Omega Psi Phi
- Pi Kappa Alpha
- Phi Lambda Chi
- Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- Sigma Nu
- Sigma Tau Gamma
- Tau Kappa Epsilon

Women’s Fraternities/Sororities
- Alpha Delta Pi
- Alpha Gamma Delta
- Alpha Kappa Alpha
- Alpha Xi Delta
- Delta Sigma Theta
- Delta Zeta
- Kappa Delta Chi
- Kappa Phi
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- Sigma Kappa
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ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Academic success should be a student’s number one focus while in college. All Greek organizations require a minimum GPA to remain a member. Most chapters have an elected officer who is responsible for keeping track of member’s academic performance. Many fraternities and sororities also have educational programs, such as tutoring and study sessions. Chapters also offer member scholarships. Because obtaining a degree is the main reason for attending college, make sure your student realizes they must do well in the classroom if they want to participate in a Greek organization.

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Each member has financial responsibilities when it comes to joining a fraternity or sorority. Most organizations require a one-time new member fee as well as semester membership dues. The individual chapters will determine the amount of dues your student will have to pay each semester. If your student is interested in becoming a member, we encourage you to formulate a budget to determine whether or not joining is affordable.

HAZING

Hazing is any action taken that produces physical harm or danger, mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, fright, or ridicule. All fraternity and sorority policies strictly prohibit any type of hazing activity. In fact, the organizations have a zero-tolerance stance. Oklahoma has legislation making hazing activities illegal and hazing violates Central’s Code of Student Conduct. If you feel a student may be experiencing or perpetuating inappropriate activities, contact the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life at (405) 974-2580 or the Office of Student Conduct at (405) 974-2361.