WHY JOIN A FRATERNITY?

Leadership S&T fraternity men are represented in numerous campus organizations including honorary, professional, social and service societies. Greek students make up about 22% of the campus population, but hold nearly half of the leadership positions in S&T's 200+ student organizations.

Service S&T fraternities believe civic responsibility is important. Last year, the Greek community donated 42,151 hours of service and came together to raise over $30,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital by hosting Missouri S&T's first ever Up 'til Dawn, an all night philanthropy event.

Academics Your education is the reason you chose to enroll at S&T. Fraternities can ease your transition to college by providing structured quiet hours and help sessions. The network of friends you will make will be there to ensure you go to class, stay healthy, and manage your time well.

Friendship Fraternities participate in intramural sports and offer many social events where you can meet new people and build friendships. You could road trip to a baseball game, play on a flag football team, watch a movie or hit the gym with friends.

Brotherhood The bonds you develop with other men in your chapter will continue long after you graduate. When you’re ready to search for your first job or internship, you’ll appreciate the network you’ve built with alumni and fellow students.

Housing S&T fraternities provide campus-approved housing for members. This includes parking, meals and other amenities. The cost of living in a fraternity is typically about 20-30% less than the average cost of a campus residence hall and meal plan.

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CHOOSING A FRATERNITY

FIND THE CHAPTER THAT BEST FITS YOU
Each fraternity has its own unique personality. The only way to decide which one is best for you is to spend time getting to know men in the different chapters.

Each fraternity has a Recruitment Chairman whose role is to help you learn about his organization. He will help you and your family arrange informal visits, invite you to recruitment activities, answer questions you may have and more.

PRO DAY RESOURCE FAIR
At PRO you’ll have time during the afternoon Resource Fair to visit with each fraternity chapter. A mini-session on Greek life is also offered at this time.

Fraternities offer tours and open houses in the afternoon after PRO activities conclude. Inquire at the Resource Fair if there are chapters you’d like to visit with your family.

SPRING AND SUMMER RECRUITMENT EVENTS
Once you express interest in a particular fraternity, they will invite you to recruitment events throughout the spring and summer. Cookouts, float trips, baseball games and socials give you an opportunity to meet the fraternity members.

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HOW TO JOIN
ACCEPTING A “BID”
If you decide to join a fraternity, the chapter you express interest in will offer you an invitation to membership (called a “bid card”). Invitations to membership can be handed out by any member of a fraternity at S&T.

If you are deciding between multiple fraternity chapters, you may receive multiple bid cards. A bid does not obligate you to join a chapter and does not make you a member of that fraternity. It simply reserves you a place in their chapter should you decide to join. You can still explore other organizations.

We recommend that you only sign a bid card for the chapter in which you are seriously considering membership. This will save room in other chapters for someone who definitely wishes to join that fraternity.

What makes your membership official in the fraternity you choose is signing your bid card and returning that card to the Student Life Office. You’ll also need to contact the Residential Life Office to complete any necessary paperwork associated with your campus housing.

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GREEK EVENTS
Greek Awards Banquet
Greek Sing: “Battle-of-the-Bands” between chapters
Greek Service Day
Greek Week: Annual weekend-long festival of games and friendly competitions between chapters
S&T Homecoming
St. Pat’s: Campus celebration
Up ‘til Dawn: Philanthropic program where students raise funds for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital