What is a fraternity?
A fraternity is a group of men joined together in the bonds of friendship and brotherhood for leadership, social, and academic purposes. The Interfraternity Council governs all IFC fraternities at Florida Gulf Coast University. FGCU has three IFC fraternities – all are affiliated with a National Organization.

What is the Interfraternity Council?
The Interfraternity Council is the Governing Body for the three IFC Fraternities on campus. The Interfraternity Council Executive Board is comprised of members from different fraternities who work together to promote and improve Greek Life foster communication and interfraternal relations at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Why Join a Fraternity?
The benefits of fraternity membership are plentiful. A fraternity can provide a “home away from home” at a large campus. Fraternity brothers build bonds that last throughout college and, for many, throughout their lives. Fraternity men participate in Philanthropic events as well as Community Service projects. There are many leadership opportunities available through fraternity membership – through the University and undergraduate chapter, as well as the National Organization.

How Do I Join a Fraternity?
Recruitment is the period when men who are interested in the possibility of joining a fraternity participate in various events hosted by the Interfraternity Council and the IFC Fraternities. Through participation in these events, the recruit is given the opportunity to learn more about each fraternity to help decide which organization is right for him. All men participating in Recruitment must have a minimum 2.5 overall grade point average and must be full time students enrolled at Florida Gulf Coast University. Individual chapters may have their own minimum grade point average requirement.

Fraternity Recruitment kicks off this fall with an Information Session on Tuesday, August 25 at 6pm, followed by a Meet ‘n’ Greet on Wednesday, August 26 at 6pm. Both events will take place in the Student Union Ballroom.

Stages of Membership:
Recruit – a college man who is participating in IFC recruitment process.
New Member – an undergraduate man who has accepted the bid offered by a fraternity and has taken the first steps toward full membership but has not yet been initiated.
Active – an undergraduate initiated member of a fraternity who has completed all the new member requirements and is in good standing with the organization.
Alumni – initiated member of a fraternity who has graduated from college.

Fraternities at FGCU

Kappa Alpha Order (KA)
Nickname: KA, Southern Gentlemen
Chapter: Zeta Pi
National Founding: December 1865 at Washington & Lee University
FGCU Founding: April 2005
Colors: Crimson & Old Gold
Flower: Crimson Rose & Magnolia Blossom
Philanthropy: Muscular Dystrophy Association
Pi Kappa Alpha (ΠΚΑ)
Nickname: Pike
Chapter: Lambda Xi
National Founding: March 1868 at the University of Virginia
FGCU Founding: April 2006
Colors: Garnet & Gold
Symbol: Oak Tree/Shield
Flower: Lily of the Valley
Philanthropy: American Cancer Society

Sigma Phi Epsilon (ΣΦΕ)
Nickname: Sig Ep
Chapter: Florida Omicron
National Founding: November 1901 at the University of Richmond
FGCU Founding: November 2008
Colors: Purple & Red
Symbol: Golden Heart
Flower: Violet & Dark Red Rose
Philanthropy: Youth AIDS

Sigma Chi (ΣΧ)
Nickname: Sig Chi
Chapter: Colony
National Founding: June 28, 1855 at Miami University (Ohio)
FGCU Founding: Fall 2008
Colors: Blue & Old Gold
Symbol: White Cross
Flower: White Rose
Philanthropy: Huntsman Cancer Institute

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