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Deferred Recruitment Policy

The Loyola University Chicago Sorority/Fraternity Community participates in deferred recruitment, meaning entering first-time first semester freshmen may not join social fraternities and sororities. The deferred recruitment model allows first-year students an opportunity to establish themselves as members of the campus community before joining a social sorority or fraternity. Additionally, it affords students the opportunity to adjust to the academic demands of college before committing to sorority/fraternity life.

Students interested in joining a sorority or fraternity at Loyola University Chicago must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student
- Earn at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average
- Earn a minimum of 12 credit hours at Loyola University Chicago or transferred to Loyola University Chicago with a minimum of 12 credit hours from another college or university (post high school graduation)
- Be in good disciplinary standing with the University

These are the minimum requirements set by the university. Each fraternity or sorority has its own policies regarding membership, and many groups have higher requirements.

Please note: The Student Activities & Greek Affairs Department does not make exceptions to the guidelines regarding hours earned or grade point average. First year students who withdraw from a course and earn fewer than 12 hours will not be allowed to participate in recruitment or intake. Any issues of academic discrepancies (incomplete courses, contested grades, questions of transfer credit, etc.) must be resolved by the start of the spring semester.

First-time first semester freshmen may support and interact with social sororities and fraternities in the following ways:

- Attend educational programs sponsored by the SFL community¹
- Attend Informational sessions sponsored by the SFL community
- Attend community service and philanthropy events sponsored by the SFL community

First-time first semester freshmen are prohibited from:

- Attending recruitment/intake activities sponsored by social sororities and fraternities

For questions or clarification regarding the Deferred Recruitment Policy, please contact the Student Activities & Greek Affairs Department.

¹ Sorority and Fraternity Life community is defined as sorority/fraternity chapters, governing councils, and the overall SFL program.