Hello! For anyone whom I haven’t got the chance to meet yet, my name is Payton Cooley, Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life. I am very proud of our fraternity/sorority community this semester; all of our chapters and their leadership worked very hard and I saw great growth all around! All chapters were extremely involved throughout campus, participating and joining in on many campus events. I saw a lot of community bonding this year that I expect to only continue moving forward. Our FSL community is filled with strong leaders and I am excited for what all they have planned for this coming year!

I look forward to the upcoming year, continuing to support our chapters and their members, and working with all of you! If you ever need anything or have any questions, please don’t hesitate to reach out!

Fraternity & Sorority Life Events & Other Important Dates

August 28-September 4 - College Panhellenic Primary Recruitment
August 30-September 10 - Interfraternity Council Formal Recruitment
August 17 - Fraternity & Sorority Move-In Day
September 14 & 15 - Symposium
September 19-23 - National Hazing Prevention Week
September 20 - Fraternity & Sorority BBQ (Panhellenic & IFC)
October 1 - Homecoming & Fall Family Weekend
October 13 - Midterm
December 13-16 - Finals Week
TBD - Panhellenic Powderpuff Football

*Additional events for October, November, & December are being planned by the Panhellenic & IFC Executive Boards
This year a House Manager position was started to help provide additional support & communication between chapters and the Residential Life Office. We are very happy with how this position functioned this year and are excited to continue with it this coming year. This position was a large factor in helping make the check-out process run very smoothly this year! If you have any questions about facilities and/or the House Manager Position please reach out to Payton or Nicole Elliott, Director of Residential Life.

EVENTS

Throughout the semester, the fraternity & sorority community hosted several events including midterm study sessions, spring cookie decorating, and a mental health program.

Along with those events, the community also hosted Greek Week for the first time in several years. The committee planned 4 days of events that included a sand volleyball competition, Family Feud, dodgeball, and a Match Game style competition that included some fun faculty & staff participation. Chapters had a fun time during this week, making it a success. It was set up with 3 teams - 2 fraternity chapters and 1 sorority chapter being paired up as a team, allowing for bonding between chapters while still having the fun competitions between the 3 teams as well. There was great participation from all the chapters and the feedback from the week was all positive. We look forward to making this a annual Spring event!
**UPDATES**

The Panhellenic Council has been busy throughout the semester as they are working to support the sorority community on campus and coordinate new programming and educational activities to foster a Panhellenic environment as well as to build connections with other clubs/organizations and individuals on campus.

The Panhellenic community has been active during this academic year. The community had a successful Fall recruitment that also carried over to the Spring. We welcomed 21 new members into the sisterhood.

During the annual combined Winston Leadership & Fraternity and Sorority Awards during the Spring semester, all chapters were recognized/awarded either as a chapter and/or through individual members.

**FALL PRIMARY RECRUITMENT UPDATES**

The Panhellenic community has voted to change to the NPC Partially Structured Recruitment Style. This recruitment style allows for more flexible scheduling and more time for natural relationship building between potential new members and chapter members.

*If you would like to read more details on this style from NPC you can find that [here](page 103).*

**PRIMARY RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE**

**Pre-Recruitment Events**
- August 21 - Sorority Info Session
- August 23 - Sorority Meet the Greeks
- August 25 - Sorority Facility Tours
- August 26 - Panhel Planner Party
- August 27 - Sorority Panel

**Recruitment Events**
- August 28 - 30: Chapter Event #1
  *individual chapter events per night*
  - August 28 - Chapter 1
  - August 29 - Chapter 2
  - August 30 - Chapter 3
- August 31 - September 2: Chapter Event #2
  *individual chapter events per night*
  - August 31 - Chapter 1
  - September 1 - Chapter 2
  - September 2 - Chapter 3
- September 3: Preference Night
- September 4: Bid Day
The fraternity community has been active during this academic year. The community had a successful Fall recruitment that also carried over to the Spring. We welcomed 70 new members into the brotherhood.

During the annual combined Winston Leadership & Fraternity and Sorority Awards during the Spring semester, all chapters were recognized/awarded either as a chapter and/or through individual members.

**Fall Formal Recruitment Updates**

The fraternity community saw the value in the hybrid informal/formal recruitment process this year, increasing the values-based experience and allowing for true connections to be made with potential members, so they have decided to continue with this structure going forward, making minor changes. These changes included flipping the timeline for informal and formal events, now having informal events happening before informal events as well as decreasing the number of days of recruitment as a whole.

**Formal Recruitment Schedule**

**Pre-Recruitment Events**
- August 21: Fraternity Info Session
- August 23: Fraternity Meet the Greeks
- August 28: Fraternity House Tours
- August 29: Fraternity Lawn Games

**Recruitment Events**
- August 30-September 6: Informal Recruitment Events *individual chapter events per night*
- September 7: Recruitment Formal Night #1
- September 8: Recruitment Formal Night #2
- September 9: Preference Night
- September 10: Bid Day
To provide some additional statistics following the 2021-22 academic year, included to the right are statistics for the Fraternity & Sorority Community at Westminster College. For additional details or statistics please reach out at Payton.Cooley@westminster-mo.edu.

IN THE NEWS

U.S. News recently released an article for the Top 11 College Where the Most Students Join Fraternities. The article stated that of the 718 ranked colleges that submitted data, the average proportion of undergraduate males who joined fraternities in the Fall of 2020 was ~8%. Westminster was one of the 11 schools where more than 40% of male undergraduate students were involved in a fraternity, coming in with 55%.

If you would like the read the full article, you can do so here!

END OF SPRING '22 STATISTICS

- 33% of degree-seeking female students are a member of sorority life
- 54% of degree-seeking male students are a member of fraternity life

Spring '22 Fraternity/Sorority GPA - 3.20 *higher than the campus average

46% of Fraternity/Sorority members were also involved in athletics

52% of first-year/transfer women registered for sorority recruitment
57% of first-year/transfer men registered for fraternity recruitment