

Order of Omega Greek Honor Society

Lehigh University

Zeta Lambda Chapter

History:

The Order of Omega was founded at the University of Miami in the fall of 1959 by a group of outstanding fraternity men who felt that individuals in the Greek community should be recognized for their service to the fraternity system and the University. On February 9, 1967, a chapter was chartered at the University of Southern Mississippi. There are now over three hundred chapters in the United States.

Purpose:

- To recognize those fraternity men and sorority women who have attained a high standard of leadership in interfraternity activities, to encourage them to continue along this line, and to inspire others to strive for similar conspicuous attainment.
- To bring together outstanding fraternity men and sorority women to create an organization which will help to mold the sentiment of the institution on questions of local and intercollegiate fraternity affairs.
- To bring together members of the faculty, alumni, and student members of the institution's fraternities and sororities on a basis of mutual interest, understanding and helpfulness.
- To help create an atmosphere where ideas and issues can be discussed openly across Greek lines and to help work out solutions.

Eligibility:

The qualifications for membership in the Order of Omega are character, scholarship and intelligence, service and leadership in the inter-Greek affairs of Lehigh University. Exemplary character is the primary consideration for membership, hence the requirement of a letter of recommendation from a faculty/staff member.

To be eligible for membership in the Order of Omega, a student shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- a. One full academic year of residence at Lehigh University
- b. Junior or Senior standing
- c. Rank academically above the all-Greek average with a minimum of a 3.0
- d. Be in good standing with his/her Greek organization

Selection:

The selection committee is composed of the Order of Omega Advisor and Order of Omega board members. Membership is limited to 3% of the total Greek population.

Requirements for Application

- 1) Completed applications must be typed and submitted to Jen Modugno (jlm204@lehigh.edu) or dropped off at the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs (Warren Square E) no later than **4:00 pm on Monday, October 29th**.
Note: NO late applications will be accepted.
- 2) A letter of recommendation from a faculty/staff member is also due by 4pm on Monday, October 29th.
- 3) A copy of your resume. (Supplemental to your application)
- 4) Initiation costs are \$80 and upon invitation for membership, must be paid.
- 5) Upon invitation for membership, an initiation ceremony will take place on December 4th at 7:00pm.

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Name:
Phone:
Mailbox:
Major:

Affiliation:
Email:
Year in School:
Cumulative GPA:

Please type on a separate sheet of paper

- 1) LIST THE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS, WHICH YOU HAVE HELD BOTH INSIDE AND OUT OF YOUR CHAPTER AND THE YEARS YOU HELD THEM. (Include every position and committee you have served on. Be as specific as possible.) ALSO INCLUDE ALL LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES YOU HAVE ATTENDED AND PARTICIPATE IN.

- 2) LIST YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE INVOLVEMENT AND THE YEARS YOU PARTICIPATED. (Specify any that you had organized; Philanthropic events will NOT be counted as community service.)

- 3) LIST ALL ACTIVITIES YOUR ARE INVOLVED IN ON CAMPUS (do not include Greek life activities)

- 4) LIST ALL HONORS, AWARDS, AND SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS YOU HAVE RECEIVED WHILE AT LEHIGH, THE YEAR IN WHICH YOU WERE AWARDED AND TYPE OF AWARD (i.e. service, scholarship, citizenship—do not include financial aid awards unless they are merit-based).

BRIEF STATEMENTS (in less than 200 words each, please tell us...)

- 1) What is your strongest leadership quality and why?
- 2) What role do you play as a leader in helping to strengthen Greek Life at Lehigh?
- 3) If selected as a member of Order of Omega, what would you contribute to the organization?