Spring 2024 Interfraternity Council Membership Recruitment Rules and Guidelines
Southwestern University

Registration
1. Visit the IFC website to access the online registration form

2. Each man desiring to go through Fraternity Membership Recruitment must have at least a 2.0 cumulative grade point average as of Spring 2023. Eligibility also requires current enrollment in at least 12 semester hours.

3. Fraternity Membership Recruitment registrations must be completed by 11:59 pm on January 19th, 2024. Men who have not signed up by the aforementioned time may not rush until the following Sunday. (January 21, 2024)

4. All men participating in Fraternity Membership Recruitment are required to participate in hazing prevention training. All Fraternity Membership Recruitment participants must complete this training by the determined February date (no longer then one hour). New members cannot be initiated into any fraternity before completing the hazing prevention training.

5. If a participant should have any questions during Formal or Informal Fraternity Membership Recruitment, he may speak with the Director of Fraternity-Sorority Life, Dr. Jeff Doyle, (phone: 512-863-1665, email: doylej@southwestern.edu) or Vice President of Student Life, Brit Katz (Phone: 512-863-1582, email: katzb@southwestern.edu)

Bids
1. No one may be offered a bid before January 20th or after March 8th 2024. All initial bids will be provided to the IFC on January 20th in The Cove. Bids must be picked up by potential new members in The Cove on the morning of January 20th at 8:00 am and then new members will walk directly to the fraternity house of their choosing at approximately 8:30 am. If a participant is unable to pick up his bids, he should notify the IFC before that time. Participants must mark their returned bids one of three ways: Accepted, Reject, or Undecided.

2. No alcohol may be served by a fraternity during bid day or anytime that weekend following bid day.

3. A participant marking his bid undecided has a week to declare his choice. In order to declare, he must notify both the IFC and the fraternity he wishes to pledge. If he does not declare within a week, it will be assumed that he will not accept any bids that semester.

4. In the event a participant is extended multiple bids, all except the one that is accepted must be refused.
5. If a participant accepts a bid to one fraternity but then drops, he may not be extended offers by any other fraternity. However, if the candidate has participated in the fraternity membership recruitment process, and it is within a reasonable amount of time since bids were extended, and unique circumstances exist, a participant may be granted an exception to this rule with the consent of the majority of the IFC general assembly.

7. An infraction of these rules will result in a minimum fine of $250.00 per case. An additional fine when a fraternity does not cease such action is recommended.

8. A pledge fee of $7.00 for each accepted bid must be turned in to the IFC treasurer at the first IFC meeting in following the conclusion of Fall and Spring Fraternity Membership Recruitment

*Note: These rules were last revised and approved on 11-8-23 by the IFC.*