WHY JOIN DELTA UPSILON?
As the oldest and largest non-secret fraternity, in Delta Upsilon, what you see is what you get. We offer a unique college experience focused on preparing men for life in an ever-growing global society. DU membership offers learning, leadership development, social and service opportunities not found anywhere else on campus.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP
• Create a new chapter with like-minded individuals
• Make friends within DU and across campus
• Participate in local and regional service projects
• Build a network of brothers that spans the globe
• Boost your résumé with leadership and service
• Enhance your leadership skills through DU programs
• Leave a legacy on campus

ABOUT DELTA UPSILON

OUR MISSION
Building Better Men

OUR VISION
Our vision is that Delta Upsilon is the premier men's fraternity committed to Building Better Men for a global society through service, leadership development and lifelong personal growth for our diverse membership.

NON-SECRET
Because DU is non-secret, our rituals, values and mission are all open to the public. Just like other fraternities, we have symbols, traditions and ritual ceremonies deep in history and meaning. We simply share all that is great about DU with the world.

1834
FOUNDED NOV. 4, 1834

6TH OLDEST
FRATERNITY

87,458
LIVING ALUMNI

3,450
UNDERGRADUATES
WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE NON-SECRET?

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DU’S FOUR FOUNDING PRINCIPLES

In 1834, Delta Upsilon’s founders believed they must dedicate themselves to four main principles. Nearly two centuries later, Delta Upsilon calls upon these Four Founding Principles to guide our actions, programs and policies. As a member of Delta Upsilon, brothers are asked to take these ideals as their own and use them as a guide throughout their lives.

THE PROMOTION OF FRIENDSHIP

DU members must develop confidence in themselves while learning the skills to connect and work with others in a meaningful way. This includes the active practice and intentional development of goodwill toward all communities, creating healthy relationships, fostering positive environments, and connecting with and working with others.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHARACTER

The Development of Character is intentional growth toward excellence socially, intellectually and morally, and adhering to a set of personal values to guide decision making based on an understanding of what is right and wrong. It is a commitment to constant improvement through education and reflection, as well as care and respect for others.

THE DIFFUSION OF LIBERAL CULTURE

DU members must embrace lifelong learning as a means to understand, appreciate and connect with other world cultures. This means expanding the mind to understand and appreciate the perspectives, traditions, norms and cultures of others. It is openly sharing one’s own culture while engaging with other cultures appropriately to facilitate the free exchange of ideas.

THE ADVANCEMENT OF JUSTICE

Advancing justice requires active engagement in the creation of a just world by advancing a cause one believes in. Furthermore, it is a commitment to create opportunity for all in a manner that is fair and just, and to confront that which is unjust. This will result in action to promote the common good within the community.

NOTABLE ALUMNI

JAMES GARFIELD
WILLIAMS 1856
20th President of the United States

LESTER PEARSON
TORONTO 1919
Prime Minister of Canada; Nobel Peace Prize Recipient

JUAN MANUEL SANTOS
KANSAS 1973
President of Colombia; Nobel Peace Prize Recipient

LOU HOLTZ
KENT STATE 1958
Hall of Fame college football coach

ROBERT CADE
TEXAS 1945
Professor & Inventor of Gatorade