



DELTA UPSILON

INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY

BROTHERHOOD EVENT IDEAS

The Promotion of Friendship is one of Delta Upsilon's Four Founding Principles. As such, building a strong, engaged brotherhood is of great importance to a chapter. When friendships are formed, brothers feel they belong, are supported and are a valuable member of the chapter. Their connections to one another and the Fraternity are strengthened. Below is a list of brotherhood event ideas that your chapter can participate in.

SPORTS

- Bowling
- Sand volleyball
- Play intramural sports on campus
- Pickup games (basketball, football, soccer, ultimate frisbee, etc.)
- Go to the gym together
- Whiffle ball
- Hockey tournament
- Billiards tournament
- Golf outing with alumni
- Racquet sports (tennis, squash, pickleball, etc.)
- Train for a race or physical activity of some kind (5k, half marathon, Iron Man)
- Dodgeball tournament
- Spike ball tournament
- Capture the Flag on campus
- Darts tournament
- Foosball or air hockey tournament
- Cornhole/bags tournament
- Host chapter Olympic event at campus rec center (running, lifting weights, swimming, etc.)

EXCURSIONS

- Hiking
- Paintball
- Fishing/camping trip
- Go to an amusement park
- Attend movie opening/premiere
- Water events (water skiing, going to a water park, wake boarding, jet skiing, canoeing, pontoon boats, white water rafting trip etc.)
- Go to a sporting event (baseball, basketball, or football game)
- Laser Tag
- Putt putt/mini golf
- High ropes course
- Indoor rock climbing
- Visit nearby attractions as a chapter (museum, zoo, aquarium, botanical garden, etc.)
- Attend local pro sporting events
- Attend university athletic/special event
- Attend a nearby church/synagogue/temple/mosque/etc. as a chapter
- Snow events (skiing, sledding, snowboarding, tubing, etc.)

FOOD

- Weekly “Wing Night”
- Cook-out with brother
- Potluck meals
- Food Bracket (March Madness-like, but with food- best French fries, best pizza, chips, etc.)
- Brother (or someone external) hosts a virtual/in-person cooking class
- Trying out new restaurants in town
- Weekly lunches on campus together
- Providing food at weekly chapter meetings
- Host theme dinner nights
- Cooking competition between brothers (i.e.- Top Chef, Chopped, etc.)

WATCH PARTIES

- Sunday/Monday Night Football nights
- Watch parties for TV shows (Netflix, Bachelor, etc.)
- Away game watch parties (hockey, basketball, football, etc.)
- Superbowl/Final Four/Stanley Cup watch party (or other playoff games)
- Awards shows (Oscars, Grammys, Emmys, etc.)

FREE EVENTS (ON CAMPUS OR AT CHAPTER FACILITY)

- Poker night/casino night or other card games
- Have a weekly movie night
- Karaoke contest
- Brotherhood trivia night
- Board game night
- Jackbox games (Quiplash, Fibbage, etc.)
- Squirt gun battle/water balloon war
- Fantasy leagues (football, baseball, etc.)
- Video game tournament (NCAA, FIFA, Guitar Hero, Halo, etc.)
- Play Bingo
- Start a book club
- As a chapter, choose one day of the week when everyone wears Delta Upsilon letters/merchandise
- Host Bible study or spirituality discussion for interested brothers

SERVICE

- Volunteer work at community agencies
- Alternative spring break as a chapter (domestically or internationally)
- Sponsor a local little league team
- Host sports camp for kids
- Host a Habitat for Humanity house
- Neighborhood snow shoveling/grass cutting/gutter cleaning/car washing for elders
- Host an Easter Egg Hunt for local community
- Host Haunted House for local community
- Play sports at local Boys & Girls Club
- Deliver groceries for elderly or immune compromised
- Volunteer with Big Brothers, Big Sister; have a virtual little brother
- Provide tutoring to local elementary and/or after school centers
- Neighborhood clean-ups (parks, beaches, forest preserves, etc.)
- Work at a food pantry, serve meals, etc.

- Support the homeless population by collecting and distributing care bags (filled with socks, snacks, toothbrush/toothpaste, deodorant, hand sanitizer, etc.)
- Work an animal shelter

ENGAGEMENT

- Host etiquette dinner
- Weekend brotherhood retreat away from campus
- Conduct gavel pass at end of meeting
- Host an open house and invite university administrators/staff and faculty
- Chapter house improvement day for all members
- Host study groups for specified majors/classes
- Host tutoring sessions for specified majors/classes
- Host dinner for university president/fraternity & sorority staff
- Open discussion time before or after chapter meetings (to discuss current events)
- Coffee breaks before and in between classes in the morning (ask faculty members to attend)
- Allow opportunities for brothers to practice speeches/presentations in front of the chapter and then critique his strengths and weaknesses
- Host scholarship dinner to celebrate academic successes of brothers. Invite favorite faculty members to attend dinner.
- End every chapter meeting with everyone finishing the sentence "I am proud to be a DU because..."