

NPC Speak

Alumnus	A male fraternity member who is no longer in college. The plural of "alumnus" is "alumni" (pronounced <i>alum-nye</i>).
Continuous Recruitment (CR)	This is a style of recruitment commonly found in systems that typically have 1-3 chapters and recruit the majority of their women year-round in a Continuous Open Recruitment. There is no structured "recruitment period," as the chapters manage their own recruitment process. There is no Quota. Chapters recruit to campus Panhellenic Total.
Alumnae Panhellenic (APH)	A cooperative organization of alumnae members from the 26 National Panhellenic Conference member sororities, held within a community. Often referred to as an "APH."
College Panhellenic (CPH)	A cooperative organization of collegiate members of all National Panhellenic Conference member sororities represented on a campus. Often referred to as a "CPH."
Culturally-based fraternities and sororities	There are many fraternities and sororities that are culturally based and organized under different umbrella organizations. Examples include the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) groups, National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations (NALFO) groups, and National Multi-Cultural Greek Council (NMGC) groups.
Disassociation/ Disaffiliation	The period immediately preceding recruitment, not to exceed thirty days, in which recruitment counselors and College Panhellenic officers disaffiliate from their respective sororities so as to remain neutral and impartial during the recruitment process.
Fraternity	A Greek-letter brotherhood. The term "women's fraternity" is also used by some of the National Panhellenic conference member groups to refer to their National organizations.
Formally Structured Recruitment (FSR)	This recruitment style provides the most structure and formality of all the NPC models. This format features use of Recruitment Counselors, rounds of parties, PNM groups, etc. There is Quota and bid matching does take place. The CPH handles all logistics under this style and there is a date for the formal distribution of bids. Campuses utilizing this model should be part of the NPC

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	Release Figures Methodology.
IFC	Interfraternity Council, the men's fraternities' counterpart of a College Panhellenic.
Junior Panhellenic	Some campuses have this organization for the New Members of the chapters to promote inter-sorority friendships and to provide preparatory training and an understanding of College Panhellenics.
MRABA	The Membership Recruitment Acceptance Binding Agreement, sometimes referred to as the bid acceptance card, is a binding agreement that must be signed anytime a PNM accepts a bid to membership into in sorority, regardless of what recruitment process she participated in. This agreement is often signed on preference night in Formally Structured Recruitment or Partially Structured Recruitment with Quota.
Minimally Structured Recruitment (MSR)	This recruitment process is common on campuses that have smaller pools of Potential New Members interested in formal recruitment and have difficulties in retaining women because of time restraints associated with FSR or PSR. This style is most successful when Panhellenic marketing successfully stimulates interest in recruitment. Women do not need to visit all chapters and Quota is not used. Chapters recruit to campus Panhellenic Total.
NALFO	The National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations is the umbrella council for 19 Latino fraternities and sororities.
NIC	The North American Interfraternity Conference is the men's counterpart of the National Panhellenic Conference.
NPC Area Advisor	This NPC volunteer directly advises the College Panhellenics located in a specific area. She has the capability to contact all NPC Delegates of the NPC member groups represented in the College Panhellenic. A College Panhellenic's president should keep her NPC Area Advisor informed on all Panhellenic issues (e.g., including sending her minutes from Panhellenic meetings). A list of NPC Area Advisors can be found at www.npcwomen.org .

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NPHC	The National Pan-Hellenic Council, the umbrella organization for the nine historically African-American fraternities and sororities, was formed in 1937 to coordinate their activities.
Partially Structured Recruitment (PSR)	Providing just a little more structure than MSR, PSR will require PNMs to attend at least one recruitment event of each sorority on campus. The Panhellenic still ensures that there are no schedule conflicts with the sororities' planned recruitment events and will set a date for the distribution of bids. With PSR, CPHs have the option of implementing a Quota or not. This decision is made prior to the start of formal recruitment. If they opt to not have a Quota, then chapters may pledge to the campus' PH Total. If Quota is used, then bid matching will take place. The campus should also investigate joining the NPC Release Figures Methodology.
Recruitment	The act of meeting women in order to extend membership into a sorority during a formal or informal time period set aside by a College Panhellenic.
Strict Silence	Time period between the final round of recruitment and the presentation of invitations to membership, not to exceed 24 hours, in which contact between Greek members and potential new members is strictly prohibited.

Your Duties and Responsibilities

- Be an informed sorority woman and represent Tri Sigma with pride, assurance, and diplomacy.
- Attend all College Panhellenic meetings and report the agenda to your chapter at the next weekly meeting. You must take a chapter vote or come to a consensus on any motions before voting on behalf of your chapter in College Panhellenic meetings.
- Vote! Your vote represents Tri Sigma in your College Panhellenic.

NOTE: Before voting on sorority expansion, changing campus Total, approving or amending Greek relationship standards/statement documents, or changing the structure of recruitment, immediately contact your chapter's College Panhellenic Assistant (CPHA) and seek her consultation. If necessary, she will engage the National Panhellenic Conference Delegate.

- In order to make well-informed decisions and cast votes in your College Panhellenic meetings, review and be knowledgeable about the following reference materials:

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