

Chi Chapter Pledge Manual

UCLA Spring 2014 - Alpha Lambda // Yuna Choi Class



Be a Leader...

Be a Friend...

Be of Service...

Our Purpose

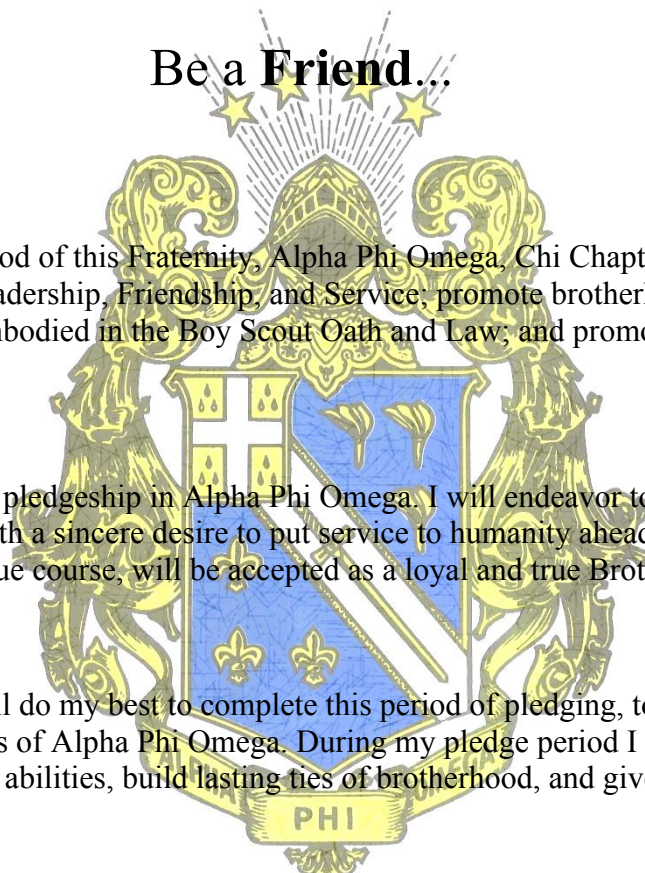
The purpose of the pledge period of this Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, Chi Chapter shall be to: Promote the three cardinal principles of Leadership, Friendship, and Service; promote brotherhood through service; promote fellowship in the principles embodied in the Boy Scout Oath and Law; and promote the development of a personal honor code.

Our Oath

I fully accept the obligation of pledgship in Alpha Phi Omega. I will endeavor to prove myself worthy of the confidence imposed in me. With a sincere desire to put service to humanity ahead of selfish aims, I will strive diligently to so live that I, in due course, will be accepted as a loyal and true Brother in Alpha Phi Omega.

Your Promise

On my honor I swear that I will do my best to complete this period of pledging, to put forth a true and honest effort and further the principles of Alpha Phi Omega. During my pledge period I will endeavor to fulfill all my requirements to the best of my abilities, build lasting ties of brotherhood, and give unselfishly in service to all in need.



Pledge Parent's Welcome

Sean Tran (*Alpha Eta*) & Annie Tran (*Alpha Iota*)

Hey Alpha Lambda class! I am so excited to be one of your pledge parents for this coming term. It is truly an honor and I look forward to getting to know each and every single one of you.

A little about me, I am a third year cognitive science major from Covina. I pledged Alpha Eta term, which was spring 2012 so I have been in APO for almost three years now. I like to eat, sleep, watch k-dramas, snowboard, and play league of legends (play with me HNM1). I mostly listen to alternative music so if you listen to Anberlin, Saosin, and Silverstein I am your man.

My job is to make sure that your pledging term is an experience that you won't forget. I will always be available for questions, concerns or just lunch if you are hungry. I am a pretty simple guy so be as straightforward as need be. Anyways I hope we get to know each other better soon, I know that we are going to have a lot of fun. Good luck Alpha Lambda, I am expecting great things.



Herroo! I am uber excited to be one of your pledge parents for this term! This was something I have always thought about doing and I am just in awe to be actually here with the wonderful opportunity to get to know each and every one of you.

Okay, so a little about mehh. I am a fourth year psychology major from Norcal (it's hella cool up there). I transferred to UCLA when I was a third year from a community college up there. I pledged Alpha Iota term, exactly one year ago. I love to travel. That is probably one of my biggest passions right now and one of my dreams is to fill up my passport before it expires. I listen to every type of music under the sun, EDM, indie, pop, Kpop, country, cover songs, you name it. I thoroughly enjoy going to concerts and just dancing the night away. I like to bake, paint, read and being a couch potato.

Along side Sean, it is my duty to help and make sure that your whole pledging experience is something you can look back upon with a burst of fondness. It is truly a once in a lifetime experience and I hope you find what you are looking for in APhiO and something you didn't expect. I will always be here, day or night, to talk to you about anything whether it is the pledging experience, personal issues, or you just have a funny story you want to tell me. I am always down for an adventure! It can be food, boba, desserts (I have a MAJOR sweet tooth aha), snowboarding, VEGAS! :D Just know that I'll be here helping you along the way in any possible way I can through this whole journey. Get ready for a great term and good luck! I know you can do it. ALPHA LAMBDA WHUT WHUT!

Namesake's Welcome

Yuna Choi (*Alpha Omega*)

Dear Alpha Lambda Class,

My name is Yuna Choi and I am very honored to be your namesake for this term! I can't wait to meet each and every one of you. I'm excited for you and the journey you're about embark on.

I hope you are as excited to begin this term as I am. I really hope you enjoy pledging because it was one of my fondest and most cherished memories of all time. Sometimes, being at UCLA made me feel lost and small but by joining APO, I found myself through developing leadership skills, fostering good brotherhood, and promoting service to our fellow men.

Let me tell you a little bit about myself. I joined APO Fall 2008 as a proud member of the legendary OMEGA Class. During my time at UCLA, I was lucky enough to serve a couple positions on Executive Committee as SAA, Pledge Parent, Membership VP, and President. I loved serving for Chi chapter because this chapter has so much spirit and energy!

As your namesake, I would like to give you a challenge; find yourself through Alpha Phi Omega. Take a leap of faith in this fraternity and make the most out of your time here to make your vision come true. Find a family in APO because you will be accepted and loved for who you are here. Last but not least, remember that the best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

I hope by the end of your pledging term, you will learn by heart what it means to be a leader, a friend, and of service. Once again, good luck pledging and I hope you find what you're looking for in APO.

In Leadership, Friendship, and Service,

Yuna Choi



President's Welcome

Jessica Suhardjo (*Alpha Zeta*)

Hey guys! So you've probably seen me around creepin' and takin' pictures hehe get used to it :P but anyways I'm your President for this term and I will be in charge of making sure meetings are fun and as efficient as possible! :) I pledged Alpha Zeta Term AZ..BRAH! Fall 2011 and I couldn't be happier about the decision I made to pledge for APhiO. Despite all the work and time I had to put into pledging and all the terms after that, it has to have been the most fun time I've had in college thus far. I loved everything about pledging and bonding with my pledge brothers. As cliché as everything sounds, I loved making all the lifelong friendships in addition to giving back to the community. If you haven't noticed yet, I LOVE taking pictures haha I honestly always have my camera with me and if I don't, then something must be wrong: P I just like taking lots of pictures and then going through them weeks, months, or even years later and just enjoying all the good times that were shared. Taking pictures isn't all I do but I guess you'll find out more as the term goes by ;) I'm really glad you all decided to pledge and I hope you guys stick it out and make it till the end because I can guarantee that you won't regret it. Everything in life really depends on how much you put into it so I really hope you guys make the most of your pledging term and have a great time :D Don't worry, I'll be there to capture your great moments too xD but seriously have fun, go on adventures, and really get to know each other because at the end when you look back, you can be proud of all the things you accomplished and achieved together. :D



iLFS,

Jessica Suhardjo

Administrative V.P.'s Welcome

Joseph Chan (*Alpha Iota*) & Nicola Yip (*Alpha Iota*)



Hello Alpha Lambda class! I wish you all luck and fun during your pledging term! A rough journey is ahead, but it'll be something you will never forget! I hope you enjoy what Alpha Phi Omega has to offer you holistically and hope you find that love and understanding are right up our alley. If you have any questions, just let me know!

- Joseph Chan

Hi I'm Nicola and I am one of your Admin VP's along with Joseph, one of my best friends! We'll be in charge of the website this term. I am a second year Math of Computation major and I love going to concerts, watching movies, and playing card games. I pledge a year ago during Anna Lee term (*Alpha Iota*), and joining Alpha Phi Omega was probably the best decision I've made in college so far. I met so many people during pledging who became some of my closest friends. I think you guys should take this time to really get to know one another. Happy pledging!

- Nicola Yip



Membership V.P.'s Welcome

Jeremy Gozzip (*Alpha Theta*) & Melissa Ma (*Alpha Theta*)

Hey y'all.

My name is Jeremy Gozzip and I'm one of your Membership VPs this term. YAAAAAAS! I am a 3rd year, Design | Media Arts major with minors in Art History + LGBT Studies. You can assume whatever you want from that. I'm an onion. Once you meet me, you have the joy of unfolding all my layers to reveal a *beautiful* surprise inside. Don't really know what else to put in this thing without giving too much



away, but yeah. Let's see. I love Celine Dion. She's my favorite. Easy way to make me cry is to show me the video of her performance of "My Heart Will Go On" from her Las Vegas revival show in 2012. Like she literally elevates off the stage on a platform and a wall of water falls around her. It's like too much ... I also love ranch dressing. I eat it with [almost] everything. Like even today, I ate it with a croissant for breakfast. I have an internal library of ranch dressing flavors from the various places that I've been to in my life and I rank them accordingly. My second favorite food is xiao long bao. It's literally the only Chinese thing about me (but I'm like 75% Chinese). I literally will drive an hour to 626 to go eat that shit. One time after a service event, my and one of the brothers from the chapter ate like wut...28 of them at one time. Yeah, that was a good day.

On a serious note, I pledged Alpha Phi Omega my second year because I was looking for something at UCLA that I could dedicate all my time and energy to. I was in the Alpha Theta pledge class {WILD THANGS} and it was such an amazing experience. From there, I was Admin VP Alpha Iota term, ALPHA Fam Head Alpha Kappa term, and now Membership. My goal with my co as Membership is to make everyone's experience in APO something that they consider worthwhile and life-changing. I hope that you all really find yourselves here in Alpha Phi Omega. No matter where you come from or what you want in life, you'll learn something about yourself here -- you just have to search for it. With that being said, please feel welcome to come talk to me. Note: I'm pretty intimidating to pledges, but trust me I'm not a mean bitch...really. So make sure you're diligent and responsible with scheduling an interview.

Kthanxbai~<3



Hey guys! I'm Melissa Ma and I'm one half of your Membership VPs for the Yuna Choi term! Jeremy and I are kind of like "Active Parents", and together we work to bring the actives (and chapter) together through Chapter Events, family competitions, and

other activities to keep us all involved and having fun. I pledged Fall 2011 with Jeremy (Alpha Theta!), and he is one of my closest pbros and friends. Pledging APO was honestly one of the most fun and meaningful experiences I've had. I was also a PAC Leader last term. I really feel like I've found my place here at UCLA and I've definitely met some of my best friends and grown as a person through it all.

To tell you a little about myself, I'll start by saying that I'm from Arcadia, CA (that 626 life ;]). I love boba (and just Asian food in general nom nom) and growing up in the 626 has definitely and unfortunately turned me into boba snob and I definitely get those boba cravings. Also, I love pretty much everything Korean. K-pop, K-dramas, Korean televisions shows--almost everything. Except their pears. I'm all about those American pears. Sleep is my best friend of all time, but I neglect it way too often so my relationship with food is probably the most consistent. I love the summertime and the warmth of the sun, and rain really needs to go away and come again not another day. I love the Harry Potter book series and Friends TV show to death so if any of you do too you get instant cool points with me. I also like peanut butter and jelly separate and not together and I eat cereal without milk. Also, chocolate and cupcakes are probably the answers to all problems in life.

Service V.P.'s Welcome

William Nguyen (*Alpha Iota*) & Jade Vo (*Alpha Iota*)

Hey there pledges! My name is William Nguyen and I am currently one of your Service Vice Presidents! I am super excited you all decided to pledge, I really think you will all enjoy it! I pledge Spring 2013 so I am only a year ahead of you guys. I am currently a second year psychobiology major. Fun times. Anyway, I am looking forward to meeting you all and please don't feel too intimidated by my apparently cruel demeanor. I swear I'm nice!



Hi hi!!! My name is Jade Vo and I pledged Alpha Iota, currently Service Vice President for Alpha Lambda term. It's my first time being on excomm so a lot of things are new to me, but my co and I are both planning a lot of fun service events for you guys so be ready! HEHEHEHE! I'm from the 626 area, so hit me up when you're around so we can chill anytime. My favorite thing to do is watching asian dramas, ranging fom Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese, and Chinese. I'm also a kpop fan. KPOP! I also like to knit, grandma status! yay! I love to eat and Sleep. But will choose sleep over food anytime.

Kbbq and Boiling Crab are the only two things that I can eat everyday, crazy but true. I'm looking forward to meeting all of you guys. Have fun Alpha Lambda! Let's level up with Service this term!

Finance V.P.'s Welcome

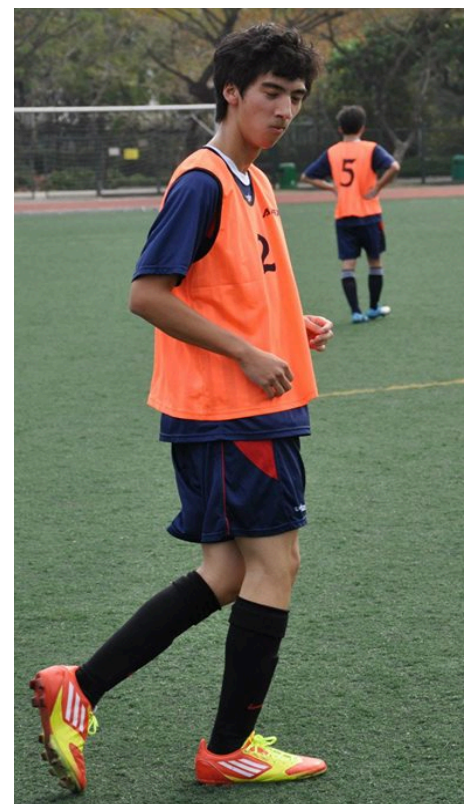
Emily Neai-Proeung (*Alpha Iota*) & Jonathan Liu (*Alpha Kappa*)



Hi guys! I don't really know how to start this but I'm typing this while waiting in line for Cheesecake Factory – YAY MULTITASKING. Anyway, I'm a third year business economics major with an accounting minor, and I have two jobs on top of school, other clubs and of course, ALPHA PHI OMEGAAA- REPPING ALPHA IOTA CLASS! As you can see, I'm a really busy bee. That rhyme was unintentional. Even though I'll be uber busy, I'll still definitely try to be out to get to know you guys! With all that stuff being said, I'm one of you new finance VPs for this term along with my co, JT! Feel free to ask me any questions about business, resumes, finance, life questions, or random questions. I will seriously answer almost anything! I think I'm pretty friendly and out there and weird so don't be afraid to say hi! Uhhhh I have reached the point where I don't know what to say. FUN FACTS: I can tie cherry stems into knots with my tongue, I love unicorns with the white hot intensity of a thousand suns, if you get me carne

asada fries or a cali burrito I will do a lot of things, I am sooo cheap but I prefer to be called thirsty. On that note, because I know you will hear stories – I am not THAT ratchet. Just a little. Anyways, I hope you guys have the best time your pledge quarter! People really do mean it when they say they miss it. It really is the time when you bond the most with your PBros so enjoy it. Much love – Emily

Hello Alpha Lambda pledges & (hopefully) future Brothers! My name is Jonathan Liu (although most people call me JT) & I pledged David A. Emery term (aka Alpha Kappa) of fall 2013. I'm a first year student currently working towards becoming a business economics major & I'm looking forward to serving you all as one of the two Finance VPs this term! I was born & raised in Cypress, Orange County but I left the country when I was 8, and so far I have lived in places including Taiwan, Vietnam, and Hong Kong. I'm a huge football fan and I spend most of my time playing football, watching Liverpool matches or playing FIFA, but I also play a whole host of other sports as well. In my time outside of sports, I try to fit in some time to listen to music & watch YouTube, and I guess I study sometimes as well. Anyways, I hope you all make the most of your pledging experience and I hope you all have a wonderful term pledging for APO! (And please talk to me sometimes! I'm kind of shy around people...)



Fellowship V.P.'s Welcome

Michael Hung (*Alpha Zeta*) & Dianne Pham (*Alpha Theta*)

Michael Hung:

I'm Michael Hung, and I'm excited to be one of your Fellowship Vice Presidents this coming term! I'm a junior in Biology, and I'm hoping to be a veterinarian in a specialty area like exotic animals or laboratory animals. But this also means that all my classes are like...very much so now I am basically a hermit. THIS DOESN'T MEAN I DON'T LIKE TO HAVE FUN THOUGH! I love to go out to try new places (I blindly follow Yelp more than I should) and eat yummy food (except bugs. I can't do bugs. Or weird intestine/heart/liver/gall bladder/kidney/brain/eyeball/ovary-like stuff. Sorry, but that is just nasty.) If you have any questions about school, or APO and what not, you can be sure to ask me! I pledged

Alpha Zeta term (Fall 2011) my freshman year, so I have been around...ha. I'm also part of a Neurology lab and part of the Christian fellowship Grace On Campus if y'all have questions about any of that as well. But YEAH APO has definitely been an awesome time for me: whether it be through doing service, (sometimes awkwardly) meeting new friends, trying new things, and all the leadership opportunities. Hope you guys enjoy your time here, and let us know if you want to try anything fun! Dianne and I will try to set that up right for you.

Dianne Pham:

Hi everyone! I'm Dianne and I like blue and narwhals and Stephen Colbert and volunteering on Skid Row and playing tennis and swimming and breaking rules and life. I'm an ENFP, which means that I gain energy from being with people. SO HANG OUT WITH ME. I guess that's why I'm really glad I'm fellowship, so that I can put up events that everyone wants to go to and we can all hang out and be friends. Ok seriously, I'm not that much of a freak. I don't think. I'm also really into human rights. My goal for the future is to work in human rights law because as much as I love community service, I LOVE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. We live in a huge world and I want to explore as much of it as I can. I hope you'll want to join me! If you have any



questions about the crisis in Syria or immigrant rights in the US, I'M YOUR GIRL. If you want to talk about goals for college or classes or life in general, I'm an old fart. I like to think of myself as wise, but I really just like long conversations late at night. I talk too much. But I like to listen!! Tell me about the fellowships you want to see up, even if it's super weird, and I'll do my best to see it through! Have fun guys, pledging is a once in a lifetime experience. Enjoy :D

Historian's Welcome

Tin Tran (*Alpha Iota*)

Hello Alpha Lambda ☺ For those of you who haven't met me yet, my name is Tin Tran and I will be your Historian for this term! I will be in charge of webisodes and re-enlightening you all about Chi Chapter history every chapter meeting. YAY :D I hope that what I bring to you will be at least somewhat entertaining.

Some people find me intimidating at first but I swear I'm a nice person! Hm...random facts...I love the color yellow. You'll probably notice it when I have my phone and laptop out. I use to work at a smoothie / boba shop so I'm like the boba master. I love playing / watching tennis, so if you ever want to watch or play...let me know! Also, I'm a huge fan of Rupaul's Drag Race. Yay for Season 6!! Ugh, please don't judge me. But if you ever want to join me. MONDAY NIGHTS ARE DRAG NIGHTS :D

I am a fourth year biochemistry major from Bay Point, California. I pledged Alpha Iota term, Spring 2013 as a third year. I'm actually a transfer student from Diablo Valley College, so this is only my second year here! This is

my first and most likely my last time on excomm so I will do my very best as Historian. Honestly, I pledged Alpha Phi Omega because I wanted to find my group of people that I can call friends here at UCLA. And nothings better than a community service fraternity, right? I have no regrets pledging for Alpha Phi Omega. Never have I ever felt so much support from a group of people and I definitely wouldn't be the person that I am today if I had not joined. I hope you all enjoy pledging and remember the more effort you put into it, the more you get out of it.



Interchapter Chairs' Welcome

Olivia Pardo (*Alpha Zeta*)



HERRO!

Oh man. What to say, what to say... I'm not exactly sure what to put in this blurb because I suck at these kinds of things so I guess I'll just ramble on. Anyway, I'm Olivia Pardo... fourth-year Biology major. I LOVE basketball and running. I pretty much work out every day. Probably explains why I'm so muscular. Next time you see me, look at my legs. They're just super ginormous. HAAAAHA. But yeah, I just feel super good after a work-out, especially since I eat so much. I love to freakin' eat. My friends don't understand how I can fit so much food in my little body, but whatevs. Food is wonderful. Yay.

So to talk about APO! I pledged Alpha Zeta, about two years ago. Honestly, pledging was one of the most fun and stressful times in my college experience thus far, and I absolutely do not regret any of it. I really can't wait to meet each and every one of you. We'll be best friends... maybe, I don't know. But back to the topic! I'm your Interchapter Chair this term. I work with fellow IC chairs from other schools so we can make cool events so y'all can hang out! It'll be fun! ^__^

Good luck with everything! Remember that Excomm and I are here for you! Can't wait to see you all cross!

CAC's Welcome

Kevin Lee (*Alpha Alpha*)

Hey Alpha Lambda/Yuna Choi Class!

My name is Kevin Lee and I will be serving as your Chairman of the Advisory Committee for the term.

Welcome to Chi Chapter and I hope you make the best of the next several weeks to come! Pledging is one of the most memorable experiences throughout my college career and I hope it's the same for you. The great thing about APhiO is that there's always so many people willing to be there for you whenever you need anything... and I really mean ANYTHING. The leadership experience is life-impacting, friendships you develop are timeless, and the feeling of giving through service is forevermore priceless. So make pledging one of the greatest learning experiences in your college career! But on a serious note, if you have any questions regarding my experiences here in Chi Chapter as well as the post-grad life, just give me a holler! Can't wait to meet every one of you and I wish you the best of luck in pledging!



Fraternity¹

Definition

Someone once said, “Words don’t have meaning; people have meaning.” Essentially, meaning is contained within the heart of each and every person. It is not simply a matter of seeing or hearing something. Meaning relates to how individuals react and what they value dear to them.

This concept applies to Alpha Phi Omega. When we sing the Toast Song at the end of meetings and projects, it’s not just to sway back and forth and sing. We don’t wear our pins simply to avoid participation in a pin check. These are traditions in our fraternity which link us to the time of our founders. They remind us of why this fraternity was founded. Furthermore, the Toast Song and our service and pledge pins symbolize membership pride in Alpha Phi Omega. They are to be appreciated, rather than feared. In addition, “brotherhood” involves more than mere membership. When you call someone “brother,” you are conveying to that person dedication to the chapter, gratitude, common interests, and friendship.

Along similar lines, sign-ups are not created to fill a quota of individuals or to keep members occupied. Those who pass these sign-ups around are reaching out to you. They are requesting your help to help others. By participating in socials, you get to know the brothers around you better, and you contribute to chapter unity. By working at projects, you are providing service to the campus, the community, the chapter, and the nation. Chairs aren’t requesting your attendance; they’re requesting you.

Thus, meaning transcends the boundaries of articles, speeches, and even actions. It entails attitude, feelings, and spirit. It binds us together in this fraternity and gives us direction.

¹ Is Alpha Phi Omega the largest national service club? For a hint, read the word to which this subscript is attached. Do not get this wrong!!!

² A piece from the 1988 “Gamma Gamma Update”, author unknown

Our History

The twenty-second chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, Chi Chapter, was founded in November 13, 1931, in a small ceremony, with Dr. H. Roe Bartle, the Supreme Grand Master¹ of Alpha Phi Omega, in attendance. Robert Hall Lamott, a sophomore majoring in Psychology, served as president of a founding class composed of seventeen members. They were Edmund Carmody, Malcolm Donohoo, Donald Dotson, Jay Dresser, Henry Hare, Palen Keith, Richard Killen, Robert Lamott, Philip Lukei, John Luebsen, Joseph Maguire, Frank Ohly, Lloyd Pack, Jack Requarth, Edward Saxton, Charles Skutt, and Leonard Stone. One of our advisors was the president of the school, Ernest Moore.

During the first few turbulent years, many of the chapter records were lost. Most pre-WWII records of Chi are unavailable. Because of WWII, many chapters of Alpha Phi Omega became inactive. However, after the war, many members tried to re-charter lost chapters and continue to serve the community. The following is a partial history of Chi.

In the 1970s, times were changing in the nation and in Alpha Phi Omega. In 1976, women were officially allowed into the Fraternity when our National Bylaws were amended at the National Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. Previous to this time, females had been sneaking into Alpha Phi Omega in many chapters, including Chi, by using their first initial and last name on applications for membership².

In 1978, the Chapter was deactivated. Legend has it that the only members left at UCLA in 1977-1978 were a couple uninterested in recruiting more members. When they graduated, the Chapter went with them.

In 1993, Kappa Chapter brother Dave O'Leary began sponsoring the rechartering of Chi Chapter. By 1996, Francis Alcantara's efforts for UCLA students to continue their dedication to serving others led to the official formation of a petitioning group for Chi Chapter. As a petitioning group, Chi attended the 1996 National Convention in Phoenix, Arizona.

RECHARTERING CLASS: Heather Banh, Greg Barnes, May Chan, Ken Chang, David Chen, John Chen, Maggie Chen, Christina Chiang, Terence Hayter, Emi Hosaka, Joanne Huang, Truong Huynh, Stacie Ishida, Gordon Kwan, Carolyn Kwok, Rose Lee, Christine Niho, Hoang-Thi Pham, Diana Rivera, Porndej Rushatakankovit, Sirintorn Rushatakankovit, Jennifer Ryu, Helen Wang, Stephen Wong, Jennifer Yamamoto, Clarissa Yu

¹ The title of National President was actually Supreme Grand Master until 1934

² Pretty sneaky, huh?

Brief Chi Chapter Timeline

- 1931 Chi Chapter founded November 13, Robert Hall Lamott as president, 17 members in founding class
- 1937 C.J. Carlson pledges May 16
- 1941 Alden G. Barber¹ pledges March 23
- 1946 Fall H. Roe Bartle Pledge Class; C.J. Carlson serves on National Board of Directors
- 1947 Fall J. Edgar Hoover Pledge Class
- 1948 Fall The Memorial Pledge Class
- 1949 Fall Dr. James E. West Pledge Class
- 1950 Fall Founders Pledge Class
- 1951 Fall Dr. Ray O. Wyland Pledge Class
- 1952 Fall Dean Arno Nowotny Pledge Class
- 1953 Fall James Stanley Leedom Pledge Class
- 1954 Fall Daniel Den Uyl Pledge Class
- 1955 Fall President Dwight D. Eisenhower Pledge Class
- 1956 Fall Carlos P. Romulo Pledge Class; C. J. Carlson receives National Distinguished Service Award
- 1957 Fall Lord Robert Baden-Powell Pledge Class
- 1958 Fall Dr. Albert Schweitzer Pledge Class
- 1959 Fall Dr. Albert Schuck Pledge Class; Earle M. Herbert², Chi's most famous member, pledges
- 1960 Fall Joseph A. Brunton, Jr. Pledge Class; Earle M. Herbert receives Chapter DSK
- 1961 Fall President John F. Kennedy Pledge Class
- 1962 Fall H. Roe Bartle Pledge Class
- 1963 Fall Dean Arno Nowotny Pledge Class
- 1964 Fall Herbert G. Horton Pledge Class
- 1965 Fall Dr. Lester R. Steig Pledge Class
- 1966 Fall Frank Reed Horton Pledge Class
- 1967 Fall James A. Lovell, Jr. Pledge Class; Earle M. Herbert serves as delegate for Constitutional Convention
- 1968 Fall Tom T. Galt Pledge Class; Earle M. Herbert becomes first Regional Representative for Region X (1968-1980)
- 1969 Fall E. Ross Forman Pledge Class
- 1970 Fall Sidney B. North Pledge Class
- 1971 Fall Dr. Glen T. Nygreen Pledge Class
- 1972 Fall Aubrey B. Hamilton Pledge Class
- 1973 Fall J. Frank McMullen Pledge Class
- 1974 Fall H. Roe Bartle Memorial Pledge Class; Alden G. Barber receives National Distinguished Service Award; Earle M. Herbert becomes National Publications Chair (1974-1978)
- 1975 Fall Joseph Scanlon Pledge Class
- 1976 Fall Lucius E. Young Pledge Class; Women officially allowed into Alpha Phi Omega
- 1977 Fall Life Member Pledge Class
- 1978 Fall Dean Lewis N. Jones Pledge Class; Earle M. Herbert receive National Distinguished Service Award; Chi Chapter is deactivated
- 1980 Fall M. R. Disborough Pledge Class; National Convention takes place in Los Angeles (Dec. 27-30); Earle M. Herbert serves as National Convention Coordinator; Earle M. Herbert becomes National Vice President (1980-1982)
- 1982 Earle M. Herbert serves as Special Committee of Fraternity Standards Chair; Earle M. Herbert becomes National President (1982-1986) elected by acclamation both times; Earle M. Herbert receives Region X DSK.

Phrat Phax:

Each year the Chapparral Alumni Association holds a scholarship contest for \$500 prizes in Earle M. Herbert's name.

There is a recognition called the Earle M. Herbert National Friendship Award, given to the chapter with the best overall membership program.

¹ Alden G. Barber later became Boy Scout Chief Scout Executive

² Earle M. Herbert was also a cubmaster and scoutmaster

1988 Earle M. Herbert receives National Alumni DSK

1993 Fall Earle M. Herbert gets his own National Pledge Class, the Earle M. Herbert Pledge Class; Kappa brother Dave O'Leary sponsors Chi rechartering (1993-1996)

1994 Earle M. Herbert passes away April 15

1996 Francis Alcantara begins Chi petitioning group Fall Thomas H. Kean Pledge Class, rechartering class; Chi sends 13 people to Nationals in Phoenix, Arizona

1997 Chi rechartered; Activation ceremony February 1, Gamma Gamma and Alpha Delta Theta attend rechartering ceremonies for Chi Chapter at UCLA then advised by Gamma Gamma alumni Kanta Sircar and Christine Chan, 27 men and women of all nationalities at UCLA become part of the founding class, rechartering picture is printed in Torch and Trefoil; Ken Chang, former Gamma Gamma active, becomes first Pledgemaster for newly rechartered UCLA chapter for the Alpha Pledge Class Spring Alpha Pledge Class; 26 activated; Chi hosts Spring Sectionals; 7 members form a group called the "Hootchies", composed of Diana Rivera, Kimberly Fitzpatrick, Emi Hosaka, Maggie Chen, Debbie Yeh, Brenda Banuelos, and "pimp" Greg Barnes, Linnea Adler joins them when she pledges in the Fall

1997 Fall Fr. William T. Cunningham Pledge Class, beta class; 19 activated; Chi attends Regionals in Berkeley, winning the "Man-Mile" award by bringing 50 members, after stripping the shirts off of some of the guys at the banquet dance, briefly becomes known as Hoo Chi Chapter. One Gamma Gamma active, Harry Hwang, thus acquires the nickname of "Hoochi" Harry by being stripped; Greg Barnes wins "Chubby Bunny" contest.

1998 Spring Gamma Pledge Class; 39 activated; Chi helps recharter Rho Gamma (CSU-LA)

1998 Fall Joseph F. Kuchta Pledge Class, delta class; 21 activated; Linnea Adler and Terence Hayter attend Nationals in Minneapolis, Minnesota as voting delegates, this is the last Nationals that Chi chapter has attended

1999 Spring Epsilon Pledge Class; 23 activated; Epsilon's Pledge Project, helping clean up a Boy Scout camp in Lake Arrowhead, is mentioned with a picture and caption in the Torch and Trefoil; past Chi advisor Christine Chan becomes a Pledge Class Namesake for Gamma Gamma

1999 Fall Stan Carpenter Pledge Class, zeta class; 19 activated; Chi hosts Fall Sectionals

2000 Spring Eta Pledge Class; 27 activated; Linnea Adler receives Earle M. Herbert Scholarship

2000 Fall Robert C. Barkhurst Pledge Class, theta class; 8 activated; Banquet at Crowne Plaza Hotel \$30 a person

2001 Spring Iota Pledge Class; 16 activated; Alicia Louie receives John Mack Scholarship Award

2001 Summer Chi sends 6 Actives, Becky Gong, Tim Huang, Nam Hoang, Rich Jhong, Alicia Louie, and Jason Wong, to Chapter Planning Workshop in San Jose

2001 Fall Robert J. Hilliard Pledge Class, Kappa Class; 43 initiate; Chi Pledge Handbook begun by Paul Choung

2002 Spring Lambda Pledge Class; 53 initiate, 46 activated; Online signups begun by Paul Choung (Mr. Amazing)

2002 Fall George Dacy Pledge Class, Mu Class; 52 initiate, 47 activated.

2003 Spring Neil Dutta Pledge Class, 48 pledges; CPPC renamed to Chapter Program Retreat (CPR); Chi sends Pledge Parents renamed to Pledgemasters ("Mommies"); multi-Family System implemented; Pledge Trainers implemented; Alpha Phi Omega is selected as one of the "Thousand Points of Light" by President Bush.

2003 Fall Ray Hancock Pledge Class, 31 Activated.

2004 Spring Linnea Lieberman Pledge Class, 29 Activated.

2004 Fall Togo West Pledge Class, 17 Activated.

2005 Spring Frances Hu Pledge Class, RHO CLASS!! 18 Activated

2005 Fall Gerald A. Schroeder Pledge Class, SIGMA LOVE!!! 19 Activated

2006 Spring Paul J. Choung Pledge Class, TAU ON TOP!! 36 Activated

2006 Fall Kate Farrell Westlake Class, Upsilon Class! 20 Activated

2007 Spring Frank Lee Pledge Class, PHI CLASS!!!! 25 Activated

2007 Fall John C. Jadel Class, Chi Class 56 Activated

2008 Spring Bonnie Chen Class, PSI CLASS!!!! 56 Activated

2008 Fall Wilfred M. Krenek, OMEGA CLASS!!! 40 Activated

2009 Spring Betty Tran, ALPHA ALPHA CLASS!!! 29 Activated

2009 Fall Jack A. McKenzie Class, Alpha Beta Class, 22 Activated

2010 Spring Bryan Lam Class, Alpha Gamma, 19 Activated

2010 Fall James L. Chandler Class, Alpha Delta, 20 Activated

2011 Spring Melinda Ly Class, Alpha Epsilon, 24 Activated

2011 Fall Charles P. Zlatkovich Class, Alpha Zeta, 18 Activated

2012 Spring Terry Tiu Class, Alpha Eta, 20 Activated

2012 Fall Maura Harty Class, Alpha Zeta, 43 Activated

2013 Spring Anna Lee Class, Alpha Iota, 41 Activated

2014 Fall David A. Emery, Alpha Kappa 46 Activated

2013 Spring Yuna Choi, Alpha Lamda (YOU GUIES! :D)

Chapter Presidents

1996 Fall Gregory Barnes¹
1997 Spring John Chen
1997 Fall Terence Hayter
1998 Spring Diana Rivera
1998 Fall Christina Cheng²
1999 Spring Oliver Chin
1999 Fall Diana Pao
2000 Spring Shirley Wei
2000 Fall Sang Le
2001 Spring Alicia Louie
2001 Fall Sharon Phosalay
2002 Spring Tiffany Lin
2002 Fall Rich Jhong
2003 Spring Daniel King
2003 Fall Frances Hu
2004 Spring Joshua Krol
2004 Fall Cynthia Lee
2005 Spring Paul Lillig

2005 Fall Alfonso Duenas
2006 Spring Bonnie Chen
2006 Fall Christine Patel
2007 Spring Melinda Ly
2007 Fall Betty Tran
2008 Spring Betty Tran
2008 Fall Christopher Wong
2009 Spring Lynette Chea
2009 Fall Alexis Fischer
2010 Spring Cindy Chang
2010 Fall Kevin Lee
2011 Spring Willis Chan
2011 Fall Yuna Choi
2012 Spring Yuna Choi
2012 Fall Jessica Chen
2013 Spring Justin Olesen
2013 Fall Holly Fuong
2014 Spring Jessica Suhardjo

According to our Chapter Constitution, the President is the head of the Executive Committee. Chi elects a President who serves during 15 weeks of the school year. This period covers the pledging term. The office officially begins at the Officer Installation Ceremony, traditionally held at Banquet. The position continues until the next President is installed. Currently, the election is held during the last Chapter Meeting of that school quarter. Only Actives in Good Standing may vote or run for office. In the event of a vacancy on the Executive Committee, a special election is held to fill the vacant office. Until the office is filled, the President may appoint a temporary officer. If the office of the President is vacant, the next highest offices fill the vacancy until the special election. Above is a partial list of past Chi Chapter presidents.

Phrat Phax:

If the President puts the President's Gavel down somewhere (that is not on or in their personal property), an Active or Pledge can "steal" it and cause the President to satisfy one wish (within reason - Chapter may approve) to recover it. Another chapter item that is stealable is the Pledge Parents' Paddle. Keep track of our own Chapter property, because if another chapter steals our stuff, then we gotta do something to get it back.

¹ Rechartering President

² The original President-elect failed to complete Active Requirements. MVP Christina Cheng became interim president, and was officially elected later.

The Distinguished Service Key

The award of Membership is the highest honor our Chapter can bestow upon individuals. However, the Chapter Distinguished Service Key (DSK) is the highest honor which a Chapter can award to someone already a Member. There are no set requirements for the DSK other than the approval of 3/4 of the Active Members. They should be Members who have made a lasting contribution to the Chapter. Neither longevity nor being an officer is enough, although both help. There is no requirement for the number of DSKs to be awarded per term. Generally, the chapter president calls for nominations for DSK at the latter meetings of the term. These nominations are written and given to the president. There is a general discussion of the candidate with the nominee absent from the room at the next chapter meeting. The nominee is never to be made aware that they have been nominated unless and until they receive the award. They are traditionally awarded at Banquet.

Earle M. Herbert pledged Chi Chapter in 1959. He received the Chapter Distinguished Service Award in the fall of 1960. He went on to receive the National Distinguished Service Award in 1978, the Regional Distinguished Service Key in 1982, and the Distinguished Alumnus Key in 1988. He served as the first Region X Director from 1968-1980. He was elected by acclamation as the National President in 1982 and 1984. During his terms the Fraternity saw improved communication with all chapters and a greatly enlarged leadership development program. The international aspects of Alpha Phi Omega were highlighted during his second term. Brother Herbert passed away April 15, 1994.

Mary Trinh pledged Chi Chapter during Eta Class. During her time as an Active, she exemplified the fraternity's highest ideals. She served two terms on ExComm and was one of the fraternity's first family heads for the multi-family system (Iron Chefs) during Spring 2003. She received the Chapter Distinguished Service Award in the Spring of 2003.

Membership Policies

We take great pride in being a chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. In our chapter we strive to promote brotherhood and the three cardinal principles of our fraternity. In order to do this, we have strict rules governing membership in our chapter.

By completing all pledge requirements, a pledge becomes eligible for consideration to become active members of our chapter. The chapter then determines if the pledge has shown themselves to be worthy of active membership by demonstrating leadership, friendship, and service in their everyday life. If the pledge is approved, then this honor is bestowed upon them at the subsequent activation ceremony, during which our oaths of dedication are sworn.

The first term of active membership into the chapter is considered a probationary term. During this term the new active MUST fulfill all normal active requirements. (These requirements are voted upon by the chapter and approved at the first chapter meeting of the term. They typically contain requirements in the areas of leadership, friendship and service.) If a new active does not fulfill these requirements, that active is subject to deactivation by the chapter.

If an active (after the probationary term) fails to fulfill active requirements during the term, the active is assigned Bad Standing for the next term. Members without Active status are not eligible to run for office, vote, or make motions. If an active (after the probationary term) feels that they will be unable to complete their membership requirements during a given term, that active is given the option of becoming an associate member. Associates do not have to complete any active requirements, except for paying dues (after notifying the Membership VP). Associate members have all the privileges of Active members except for voting and holding office.

A member may be suspended or expelled from the chapter for just cause and due deliberation, by a two-thirds majority of the Active members.

Leadership Program

Leadership is a very important part of Alpha Phi Omega. Most people erroneously believe that the only way to be a leader in our Fraternity is to hold an elected position. However, Leadership comes in many forms. It is possible to lead by example, simply by attending a large number of events and conducting yourself in a proper manner. You can take part in the various leadership building workshops that we offer. You can be a leader by joining a committee and taking part in the decision making of the chapter. It is the leadership of all the non-officers in the chapter that keep the chapter alive and strong.

Fellowship Program

Chi also has a diverse fellowship program. By bonding through various social activities, we can relax from the stress of schoolwork while building a stronger chapter. In the recent quarters, we have done at least one fellowship event every week. Most common fellowships consist of eating together or working out together. If you want to see a particular event, offer to chair it. We're always up for having some more fun.

Service Program

Chi prides itself on helping the community. Most weeks, there are three or four service projects. We endeavor to have a wide range of service projects, so that each member can find projects which s/he wants to participate in. Some of our past projects have been: convalescent home visits, a literacy fair, a career fair, school beautification, reading to kids, feeding homeless, campus graffiti clean-up, marathons, tree planting, pulling weeds from parks where they endanger the indigenous plants, and helping at benefit dances. We have worked with many organizations, making contacts throughout the community. If there are any projects that you would like to see, just let our Service VPs know. And you are always welcome to help coordinate new projects.

The Family System

Pledging a fraternity the size of Alpha Phi Omega can be very intimidating, with its many active members and large pledge classes. There will be confusing moments as well as questions which arise during pledging. Familiar faces and confidantes can rally help during this period. To help ease the pledging process and introduce you to many aspects of the chapter, you are placed within a large family and given a big sib.

You are assigned to one big or two big sibs. Furthermore your pledge class will be broken up into three "families" headed by Family Heads and you will complete missions with these families. Your big sibs fam heads are your guides and confidantes, helping you through the pledging experience, as well as answering your questions and sharing with you their experiences.

Remember, they are here to help you because they want to, not because they have to. They have many commitments, just as you do. They big sib because they appreciate the time you are taking to pledge and contribute to this Fraternity. Make sure to thank them in kind. :D

Executive Committee Rules

Our chapter Executive Committee (ExComm) consists of all elected officers, the President, Service VP, Membership VP, Fellowship VP, Pledge Parent, Administrative VP, Finance VP, Historian, Sergeant-at-Arms, Interchapter Chair, and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee (our advisors). The current President is the chair of the Executive Committee. The ExComm generally meets at least once between chapter meetings and *all active brothers and pledges* are encouraged to attend.

Nominations for the next term's offices are currently held during the eighth and ninth week and elections generally held the tenth week. Only Actives in Good Standing may be nominated, and only Actives in Good Standing may vote. In the event that an officer cannot fulfill the duties of office, the officer may be impeached by a 3/4 majority or may resign.

No member may hold 2 elected offices simultaneously or serve in the same ExComm position for more than two complete and consecutive terms. Each ExComm officer may have appointed officers.

Committees & Meetings

We have chapter meetings every week. Here, we take care of announcements and business which a committee or an individual has brought before the chapter. However, since we are so large, most things are usually discussed in a committee meeting before they come to the floor of a chapter meeting. Committees are a good way of involving more people and keeping the officers from becoming overburdened. Anyone is welcome to serve on any of these committees, with the exception of the Advisory Committee, the Executive Committees, and the Pledge Committee. All members (pledges and actives) are encouraged to attend ExComm meetings. Actives are encouraged to attend the Pledge Committee Meetings. Other committees can be appointed as the need arises. You should feel free to serve on any of these committees. Don't worry about what (if any) background and experience you have.

Officer Roles

ALL OFFICES:

- Attend ExComm meetings
- Explain duties to incoming officers
- Help pledge-counterpart to their office
- Keep materials in organized and understandable order

PRESIDENT

- Is the official head of the Chapter and leads ExComm meetings.
- Makes sure other ExComm members are doing their jobs.
- Appoints offices if vacant until a time when an election can be held.
- Brings gavel to meetings and large events
- Promote leadership within the chapter.

SERVICE VP

- Creates and heads service committee
- Decides on projects, contacts organizations, and finds chairs
- Creates enough service projects so as to ensure fulfillment of requirements

MEMBERSHIP VP

- Also known as the “Active Parents” of the Fraternity
- Creates Head and Membership Committees
- Coordinates Heads of Family System
 - Evaluating applications and selecting Family Heads
 - Organize Families (Re-sort actives every quarter)
 - Work closely with Family Heads to create Family Events and Competitions
- Creates and maintains active & pledge roster
- Creates and heads birthday committee
- Designs projects and activities to increase involvement, retention, diversity, and recruitment of members
- Decides upon active requirements with the approval of the fraternity
- In charge of Active Forum, Quorum
- In charge of providing LFS & EMH Awards, Stoles for Seniors, and Senior Speeches at Banquet
- Keeps track of all active and pledge requirements
 - Having all chapter initiation, activation, and report form paperwork

FELLOWSHIP VP

- Creates and heads fellowship committee
- Decides on and creates fellowship projects, and finds chairs for these projects
- In charge of all aspects of banquet, including:
 - Advising the pledge fellowship committee as to what their roles are:
 - Deciding on location and time of banquet
 - Picking food
 - Picking DJ
 - Making programs and flower-grams
 - Determining price of tickets, and advertising these prices

PLEDGE MASTERS

- Organizes, heads, and leads rush week including:
 - Creating a rush committee.
 - Deciding on times and locations of events.
 - Being in charge of flyers, sandwich board, banners, brooms, all rush materials.
 - Keeping record of all prospective.
 - Making sure there are two people tabling at ALL times, 7 am to 2 pm
- Create and run pledge program including
- Making pledge requirements
- Recruiting and organizing pledge trainers
- Running pledge meetings
- Attending plexcomm meetings
- Coordination of pledge project
- Making and administering pledge test
- Running initiation and activation ceremonies
- Determining winner of “brightest bulb” award and making sure the previous winner makes an award for current winner.
- In charge of big sib program
- Creates and maintains pledge roster.
- Tries to increase interaction between pledges and actives

ADMINISTRATIVE VP

- Checks mail in office at 105 Kerckhoff Hall
- Checks e-mail, and forwards or replies to e-mails as necessary
- Creates and copies weekly agenda
- Takes minutes of ExComm and chapter meetings
- Takes attendance at general meetings
- Head of list-serv
- Webmaster for chapter webpage at www.apo-x.org including:
 - Creating and heading web committee

- Posting weekly agenda
- Helping membership VP post and record requirements
- Making sure web page is current and informative

FINANCE VP

- In charge of all financial records of the chapter
- Creates and heads fundraising committee
- Creates and finds chairs for fundraising projects
- Takes and keeps record of all money for chapter, including:
 - Active, associate, and pledge dues
 - Banquet tickets
 - “Grams” of any type
 - Sectional, regional, or national conference fees
- Prepares a budget statement at the end of the term, explains all aspects of the job to the next finance VP, and ensures that the new VP has their name added to the bank account
- Gives out reimbursements, but only if member has a receipt for the purchase and the purchase was previously approved by the president and/or finance VP

HISTORIAN

- Creates and heads historian committee
- Creates Rush Slideshow
- Creates Chapter Pledge Manual
- In charge of “Brother of the Week” awards
- Takes pictures, or designates a member to take pictures, at all events
- In charge of Chapter Wikipedia
- Creates scrapbook
- Creates slide show for banquet
- Is in charge of storing and preserving for future classes of the chapter:
 - Charter
 - All scrapbooks
 - All photo CDs

SERGEANT -AT-ARMS

- Keeps order at all meetings
- Keeps track of active and pledge pins, informs the chapter when new pins need to be ordered, and makes sure pins are at all Initiation and Activation ceremonies
- Collects fines from actives not wearing their pins
- Runs, with the help of advisors, all elections
- Uses the SAA squirt gun to keep control, as necessary

INTERCHAPTER CHAIR

- Keeps and maintains list of contacts for all chapters in our section, including interest groups, as well as section staff
- Creates and coordinates interchapter projects such as the interchapter talent show or interchapter picnic in HB
- Encourages interchapter relations
- Acts as chair for sectionals, regionals, and nationals

Appointed Officers

According to our chapter by-laws (which are available upon request from the parliamentarian), an Executive Committee officer can appoint additional officers to fulfill tasks deemed necessary by the chapter membership or officers. Many of our chapter's day to day activities are carried out in committees chaired by appointed officers. The following is an abbreviated list of possible positions. If you want to be involved, just ask!

President's Committee

- Parliamentarians
- Conference Chairs
- Constitutional Review

Service Committee

- Benefit Concert
- Education
- Publicity
- Penny Wars
- Service Brother of the Week
- Philanthropy

Membership Committee

- Spirit
- Academic
- Senior Affairs
- Retention
- Family Heads

Fellowship Committee

- Banquet Chairs
- IM Sports
- Event Coordinator
- Fellowship Assistant

Pledge Committee

- External VP of Operations
- Internal VP of Operations
- Historian
- Big/Lil Coordinator
- PAC
- Pledge groups

Administrative Committee

- Webpage
- Roster
- Newsletter
- Publicity

Finance Committee

- Fundraising
- Collection
- Reimbursements

SAA Committee

- Enforcement (KISS)
- Attendance
- ABEA

Historian Committee

- Webisode/ Slideshow
- ChiTrivia
- Chapter Website
- Termbook
- BOTW

Interchapter Committee

- Sectional
- Regional
- National
- Dance Comp
- Event Coordinators

Alumni Advisor Committee

- Policy

Spring 2014 Executive Committee

Chapter President

- Jessica Suhardjo (AZ)

Administrative Vice Presidents

- Joseph Chan (AI)
- Nicola Yip (AI)

Membership Vice-Presidents

- Jeremy Gozzip (AΘ)
- Melissa Ma (AΘ)

Service Vice-Presidents

- William Nguyen (AI)
- Jade Vo (AI)

Pledge Parent

- Sean Tran (AH)
- Annie Tran (AI)

Finance Vice Presidents

- Emily Neai-Proeung (AI)
- Jonathan Liu (AK)

Fellowship Vice Presidents

- Dianne Pham (AΘ)
- Michael Hung (AZ)

Historian

- Tin Tran (AI)

Sergeant-at-Arms

- Catherine Teotico (AI)

Interchapter Chair

- Olivia Pardo (AZ)

Chairman of the Advisory Committee

- Kevin Lee (AA)

Pledge Class Requirements

As a Pledge, one learns about APO and about Chi in particular. Your Pledge Requirements are voted on in a special meeting, called by the Pledgemaster(s) and attended by any Actives who wish to. There are a number of things which Pledges are required to do, but each of these things has a purpose. We believe that these requirements will encourage Pledges to learn about the Fraternity, meet people, and gain a sense of belonging. We do not haze, and all of us are capable of fulfilling these requirements. One event may possibly fulfill more than one requirement. The Chapter as a whole and the Actives individually are committed to helping Pledges get through this educational and growing period.

1. Demonstrate Leadership, Friendship, and Service in your daily life.

As the cardinal principles of our Fraternity, this is considered to be the first requirement of the program.

2. Attend a Rush Event.

Get to know what we are about before you pledge. Becoming a member is a commitment.

3. Attend Pledge Initiation Ceremony.

This is the ceremony to which potential pledges are invited and officially inducted as pledges into our Fraternity.

4. Wear your Pledge Pin at ALL times. *4 STRIKES & YOU'RE OUT.*

You wear your pin to demonstrate your commitment to our Fraternity and its ideals.

5. Attend ALL Pledge Meetings.

Pledge Meetings are a chance for pledges to learn about our fraternity traditions as well as bond with each other. Here pledges will get the opportunity to participate in activities designed to foster brotherhood among the class. Pledge Pins, manuals, and a smile are required. Pledges must sign in and check out with the Pledgemaster(s).

6. Attend ALL Chapter Meetings.

Chapter meetings are where most general chapter business occurs, and announcements for upcoming events are made. Every pledge should be kept up to date by attending these meetings. Pledges must sign in and check out with the Pledgemaster(s).

7. Take part in your Pledge Committee.

Each of your PLExComm officers have a committee that you will choose to be on. You will develop your leadership skills by working with a group to accomplish your goals.

8. Attend Big Sib / Lil Sib Dinner.

Your big sib is taking the time out to get to know you. Return the favor and let's make this a great term for the both of you.

9. Attend the Chapter Project / Campout.

An action-packed weekend, we'll be departing Friday night and coming back Sunday morning. You will be spending an extended period with your pledge brothers and actives. Pledges will be working side-by-side with all of their pledge brothers, developing a sense of unity, as well as enjoying camping in the Los Angeles National Forest!

10. Attend your Pledge Class Fundraiser.

This is an event organized by your Pledge Class Fundraising Committee.

11. Attend your Pledge Class Fellowship.

This is an event organized by your Pledge Class Fellowship Committee as a thankyou to the Actives of the chapter for the work they have put in in making this a meaningful term for you.

12. Attend your Pledge Class Service Project.

This is an event organized by your Pledge Class Service Committee.

13. Complete 20 Service hours.

Well, we are a Service Fraternity. As such, we believe that our members should provide service to the Chapter, the Campus, the Community, the Country, and to Scouting.

14. Complete FOUR Fellowships.

These are really fun, and a good chance to meet new friends. We feel that by coming to fellowship events, one gets the chance to meet members and talk to them in a casual setting.

15. Attend ONE Family Event

Build pride and camaraderie. Come out to meet the other members of your family. Find out what it means to be an Alpha, Phi, or an Omega.

16. Attend TWO Interchapter events.

Interchapter Events: We are part of a national fraternity. We feel that by attending interchapter events, one gets the opportunity to meet our members at other chapters. This is another way to make friends and to keep in touch with other chapters. Communicating with other chapters also has the practical benefit that we can get a lot of good ideas from them.

17. Hold ONE Leadership position.

There are many ways to be a leader. You can be a PIExComm officer, chair an event such as a fellowship or service project, or be a committee member.

18. Completion of LAUNCH workshop.

Leadership development workshop offered by the National fraternity.

19. Attend ONE Leadership workshop.

These are offered by the Chapter and/or Section conferences.

19. Pass ALL Pledge Quizzes (90%).

There will be short quizzes given out at Pledge Meetings.

20. Attend ONE additional Fundraiser:

Raise funds to support your Pledge Class and Fraternity activities.

21. Complete ALL missions.

These are assigned by your pledge parents

22. Write interviews.

Interviews: These are to help you get to meet your members. While some people have complained that interviews are artificial or constraining, we feel that this is a very good way of encouraging you to meet more of your brothers. This helps promote friendship and brotherhood, two very important parts of our fraternity. At many APO events, you will find that you have free time, especially while you are waiting at Dykstra Tree. If you bring some paper and a pencil, then you will be able to get a lot of your interviews while you are at APO events. It is amazing how many members you will run into at these events. Make these as serious or as crazy as you want!

23. Pass the Pledge Test.

This will be a comprehensive test covering all material from Pledge Reviews, Chapter Meetings, and the National and Chapter Manuals. Pledges who have been active, have been paying attention, and study their butts off should not have a great deal of difficulty passing this test.

24. Pledge Class Service Project

25. Pledge Class Active Event

26. Attend Activation & Banquet.

The day has dawned, with the first rays peeping over the horizon. You look over at your fellow pledge brothers and realize just how far you have come.

Yet the journey is not yet over, for it has just begun, as an Active of Alpha Phi Omega.

Pledge Class Namesakes

1997 Spring Alpha

PM: Ken Chang

1997 Fall Fr. William T. Cunningham, Beta

PP: Gordon Kwan

PP: Clarissa Yu

1998 Spring Gamma

PP: Thao Hoang

1998 Fall Joseph F. Kuchta, Delta

PP: Diana Pao

PP: Terence Hayter

1999 Spring Epsilon

PP: Linnea Adler

PP: Gregory Barnes

1999 Fall Stan Carpenter, Zeta

PP: Stephen Chang

PP: Erwin Ong

2000 Spring Eta

PP: Gordon Kwan

PP: Kevin Luke

PP: Judy Yan

2000 Fall Theta

PP: Paul Lu

PP: Diana Pao

PP: Norm Tsang

2001 Spring Iota

PP: Neil Dutta

PP: Quyen Hoang

2001 Fall Robert J. Hilliard, Kappa

PP: Richard Jhong

PP: Alicia Louie

2002 Spring Lambda

PP: Jason Wong

PP: Wayne Wong

2002 Fall George Dacy, Mu

PP: Frances Hu

PP: Mick Magno

2003 Spring Neil Dutta, Nu

PM: Ray Hahn

PM: Michael Lee

2003 Fall Ray Hancock, Xi

PM: Lily Chan

PM: Jeff Ignacio

2004 Spring Linnea Lieberman, Omicron

PM: Natalie Ho

PM: Jian Wu

2004 Fall Togo West, Pi

PM: Karen Ward

PM: James An

2005 Spring Frances Hu, Rho

PM: Bonnie Chen

PM: Alvin Chu

2005 Fall Gerald A. Schroeder, Sigma

PM: Scott Lee

PM: Melinda Ly

2006 Spring Paul J. Choung, Tau

PM: Kevin Lu

PM: Deborah Shin

2006 Fall Kate Farrell Westlake, Upsilon

PM: Alfonso Duenas

PM: Betty Tran

2007 Spring Frank Lee, Phi Class

PM: Robert Chen

PM: Jamie Hernandez

2007 Fall John C. Jadel, Chi Class

PM: Derek Ong

PM: Ngim Lam

2008 Spring Bonnie Chen, Psi Class

PM: Bryan Lam

PM: Brandy Au

2008 Fall Wilfred M. Krenek, Omega Class

PM: Garvey Chan

PM: Jennifer Nguyen

2009 Spring Betty Tran, Alpha Alpha Class

PM: Stephanie Hsia

PM: Anthony Beckles

2009 Fall Jack A. McKenzie, Alpha Beta Class

PM: Maggie Chan

PM: Alvin Ho

2010 Spring Bryan Lam, Alpha Gamma Class

PM: Christina Chen

PM: Willis Chan

2010 Fall James L. Chandler, Alpha Delta Class

PM: Yuna Choi

PM: Nina Tang

2011 Spring Melinda Ly, Alpha Epsilon Class

PM: Hieu Do

PM: Christine Bautista

2011 Fall Charles P. Zlatkovich, Alpha Zeta Class

PM: Hande Tan

PM: Tristan Darwin

2012 Spring Terry Tiu, Alpha Eta Class

PM: Victor Louie

PM: Jennifer Lam

2012 Fall Maura Harty, Alpha Theta Class

PM: Winnie Banh

PM: Carlos Luna

2013 Spring Anna Lee, Alpha Iota Class

PM: Kevin Lee

2014 Fall David A. Emery, Alpha Kappa Class

PM: Hamilton Luu

PM: David Yuan

Pledge Classes

Each pledge class is given a different designation. Each Fall pledge class is named after a nationally distinguished member of Alpha Phi Omega by the National Executive Board. Therefore, all chapters nationwide have the same Fall Pledge Class Namesake. Spring pledge classes are usually named in honor of distinguished members of their respective chapters.

Since Spring of 2003, Chi Chapter has begun naming their Spring pledge classes.

To the right is a partial list of Pledge Class Namesakes along with the Pledgemaster / Pledge Parents of each class. Each class embodies the ideals of each namesake and the philosophies of its Pledgemaster / Pledge Parents.

During some Pledge terms, the Excomm member(s) in charge of running the Pledge Program has been called a Pledge Parent. The Alpha pledge class had a Pledgemaster who had been a brother from Gamma Gamma, which tends to use that term. In subsequent Pledge terms, Chi pledge classes have had Pledge Parents. With the introduction of the multi-family system, Chi Chapter has begun using Pledgemaster.

We take pride in being a part of our pledge classes. Those who pledge with you are your pledge brothers. Those of us that are part of Fall pledge classes enjoy being part of the National pledge class. Those of us that pledge during the Spring experience the more intimate feeling of a chapter pledge class.

How to Chair an Event

The chair is responsible for making an event run smoothly.*

Make sure:

- People meet on time & get to location of event on time.
- Transportation is planned (drivers, maps, directions).
- Things are going well during the event.
- You conclude the event (clean up, toast song).

Here are guidelines to aid your job, but your responsibilities are **not** limited to the following. Chairing is a leadership position, requiring your thinking, planning, and judgment. It is not merely a procedure.

1. Sign up for event as chair.
2. Ask respective VPs/Excomm member for additional tasks.
3. THREE days prior to event, send an e-mail reminder to all those signed-up.
4. ONE day prior to event, call all those signed-up*. Tell them what time and where to meet (usually Dykstra Tree), if they are driving, and what to be prepared to do. If your event requires special clothing (layered clothing, closed-toe shoes), make sure to mention it. Also, call the contact person again to let them know how many people you are bringing and to let them know you are still going. Make sure you have enough rides for everyone. If not, e-mail chapter, call Big Sibs and ask them to go/drive.
5. Print/write directions and/or maps for drivers. **
6. Arrive at the meeting place (10) minutes early. Call any people who are not present at the designated time. Check in all people and make sure they are wearing their pins. Make note of flakes, tardies, etc. Give directions to the drivers.
7. Attend event. Periodically check around with everyone to make sure they are doing ok and that everyone is working. Also try to have pledges and actives interact so everyone can get to know each other.
8. Thank the people for letting you come.
9. Sing toast song at the end of event. Thank the drivers and the people who came. Go home.
10. Fill out Evaluation Form on the APO webpage (go to "SIGNUPS" click "EVALUATE" next to your project).

Submit the evaluation within one week of the event.

* Those who cancel must contact chair two days prior to event. Otherwise, it will be considered as a flake. To ensure timeliness to events, those who are late may be left behind and receive a flake. In order for person not to obtain a flake, he or she must find a replacement within the 48 hours of event.

** You should consider contacting other members who have been to the project site to:

- Obtain faster routes (*sometimes* the 405 or 10 is a **little** slow)
- Confirm online map service results (just because the internet says so doesn't mean it's true)

Note:

You are always welcome to make suggestions for events or create events. Consult with the respective VP's and let them know the relevant information (time, place, purpose of event, contact, etc.). For example, if you would like to introduce an AIDS Service auction in Pasadena that our chapter has never attended, you would go talk to the Service VP and relay the specifics of where in Pasadena is it, where the actual action will occur, if there is an orientation needed, and who the coordinator is to figure out how many volunteers we can/should send. The Service VP will judge the feasibility of the event, figure out any last details with you, and if appropriate, he/she will add it to the calendar of events.

Pledge Class Officers (PlexComm)

Pledge class officers are pledges elected by the pledge class to fulfill the duties of each office. These people are pledges the class has entrusted with a very direct role in the success of the pledge semester. The positions are President, Service VP, Fellowship VP, Admin VP, Finance VP, and Historian. As chairs of important committees within the class, these pledges should be especially active at all chapter activities. All officers are to attend PLExComm meetings and keep materials in organized and understandable order.

President:

1. Is the official head of the Pledge Class, PLExComm, and the Pledge Leadership Committee
 - a. Attends all PLExComm and Pledge Leadership Committee meetings
 - b. Makes sure the other PLExComm members are doing their job
2. Promote pledge/active interaction
3. Promote and assist in all other areas of pledge class
4. Assist the Chapter President
5. Create a phone tree for PLExComm members to call to remind people.

Pledge Leadership Committee

1. Plan a Brotherhood (an event to promote pledge class bonding)
2. Organize Chapter Project / Campout
3. Creation of the Pledge Class Gift to the Chapter
4. Create enough Leadership opportunities so as to ensure fulfillment of Requirements

Service VP:

1. Is the official head of the Pledge Service Committee
 2. Promote class service
 3. Assist the Chapter Service VP
- Pledge Service Committee
1. Organize the Pledge Class Service Project
 2. Plan a weekly LFS presentation (service thermometer, skit)
 3. Create enough Service projects so as to ensure fulfillment of Requirements

Fellowship VP:

1. Is the official head of the Pledge Fellowship Committee
2. Promote class fellowship
3. Assist the Chapter Fellowship VP

Pledge Fellowship Committee

1. Organize Pledge Class Fellowship
2. Work with the Banquet Committee

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- a. Select location, time, and theme of Banquet
 - b. Coordinate decorations, food, presentations
 - c. Pick DJ
 - d. Coordinate Flowergrams
 - e. Decide on ticket prices, advertise, and sell
3. Create enough Fellowship events so as to ensure fulfillment of Requirements

Finance VP:

1. Is the official head of the Pledge Finance Committee
2. Promote financial stability
3. Assist the Chapter Finance VP

Pledge Finance Committee

1. Organize Pledge Class Fundraiser
2. Ensure that monies owed are collected accurately and promptly
 - a. Fundraisers
 - b. Special "Grams"
 - c. Fees & Dues
3. Oversee creation of the Pledge Class T-Shirt/sweatshirt
4. Create enough Fundraising events so as to ensure fulfillment of Requirements

Historian:

1. Is the official head of the Pledge Historian Committee
2. Promote chapter history
3. Assist the Chapter Historian

Pledge Historian Committee

1. Organize a paper version of the Pledge Roster
2. Create the Pledge Photo Roster
3. Create a Common Class List for pledges
4. Coordinate picture-taking at all events
5. Coordinate Scrapbook
6. Coordinate Slideshow & Newsletter/Yearbook with ExComm Committee

Awards

Gag Awards

Each term, at the banquet, we give out a number of fun awards. The actual awards are decided by that term's Gag Awards Committee (a subcommittee of the fellowship committee). Some past awards have been: most likely to be scared watching Snoopy's Halloween, most likely to be mistaken for the Pilsbury Doughboy, best smile, most likely to be kidnapped by Martians and live to tell about it, and most likely to hit a serve over the fence at the tennis tournament.

Appreciation Awards

Each term, at the banquet, we also give out some serious awards. The following awards are given out to two people (one active and one pledge): most likely to be of service, most likely to be a friend, and most likely to be a leader. Also, each officer gives awards to the people who worked for him/her.

Chapter DSK, Sectional DSK

Man-Mile Award

For this award, the number of members from each chapter is multiplied by the distance that the brothers traveled to get to the sectional conference (from one campus to the other campus). The chapter with the highest total is awarded the Man Mile Award. This is the only sectional award which is given out every year.

Pledge Heuristics

(i.e. An APhiO Novice's Rules of Thumb)

1. Your Siblings may be lame. It is just as much your job to make sure that you (and they) know what's going on as it is their job. Ask them to show up to Pledge events; ask them if they have any advice on interviews, requirements . . . communication is key. This means call them or see them at meetings at least once a week. **Remind your big sibs that one of their "duties" is to support you by participating in the Pledge project.
2. Start interviewing ASAP. Meaning, RIGHT NOW! People have been DPed (depledged) for not fulfilling just one interview. Don't repeat the mistakes of the past . . . And don't whine. If you fall behind, talk to your Pledgemaster and work it out, but do so as soon as you start slipping! Telling the PM you can't turn in your interviews the day they're due is too late!
3. Be active. Being active means being willing to do more than just a meeting, fellowship event, and project a week . . . it's socializing and getting involved with your siblings and the chapter. For example, join a committee!
4. TLC. Say thanks to your Big Sibs. You don't need to give gifts or return favors . . . but (even though they are "required" to take care of you) a "Thank You" is always appreciated. An old tradition is to give a token of your feelings to your big sibs at Banquet.
5. Network. Know your pledge class officers and know Ex-Comm. Make an effort to meet-n-greet key people (the outspoken and quiet-super-service types) at meetings. This "networking" shows fellowship and it can help you get outta tight spots (can't make pledge review or activation) by knowing those in power. (But hey, don't brown-nose)
6. Take charge. If you don't think there's enough review or enough fellowship events or projects . . . organize your own! Surprisingly, it's not as difficult as it may seem and a good big sib or officer may be able to pitch in. :)
7. Take it seriously, but not too . . . Alpha Phi Omega is a fraternity and not a social club. It deserves your sincerity and your dedication just as you want it to fulfill your desires to serve and have fun and lead. At the same time, remember that your pledge period is most likely gonna be the "best" time in A Phi O, as this is when a large focus of the chapter will be to help the "new" members (pledges) and to take care of you.
8. If you don't understand #7, talk to your big sibs and experienced actives who

can tell you the “old”-timers stories . . . you’ll see.

9. Tricks . . . Rally together your pledge class and pull a prank (nothing too nasty and no “practical jokes”). Standing (but infrequently executed) tradition is to “kidnap” your pledge officers/or your Pledge Parents. This entails surprising them, taking them into a car (like, “Hey Alicia/Rich, let’s go to dinner . . . (yah right)”), and forcing them to go with you (like go bowling or to dinner). But keep in mind that just as there is no hazing, you shouldn’t haze your PP . . .

10. Challenge. Just because you’re a pledge doesn’t mean you are a nobody. During debates and other chapter decisions, don’t be afraid to speak up, and do realize that while some issues only pertain to current actives, you will soon be joining their ranks and should pay attention to see what lies ahead. You ou all have a voice. Who knows? You may even end up being a better Chi member than some actives. On a less formal front, challenge (and beat) the actives in sports . . . basketball, volleyball, football, bowling, mini-golf, broomball, Chapter-knowledge quiz-off, bake-off, singing, performance in a fundraiser or service.

Dictionary

Active - n. - one who has been through the Activation ceremony, is not Associate, and has not graduated or been suspended
Advisor - n. - member advising us, must have at least 4: 2 faculty/staff, 1 community, 1 scouting. May not be an undergrad.

Advisory Committee - Chair: Chair of Advisory Committee (standing) This committee is made up of our advisors. They discuss how they can help advise us (at least in theory).

Alpha Phi Omega (APO) - n. - a national service fraternity whose purpose is to assemble college students in fellowship of the principles of the Boy Scouts of America as embodied in its Scout Oath and Law; to develop Leadership, to promote Friendship, and provide Service to humanity; and to further the freedom that is our national, educational, and intellectual heritage.

Alumnus - n. (Alumni - pl.) - a member who has graduated and gone on into the real world.

A Phi O - n. - a slang term we use to refer to Alpha Phi Omega

Appointed Officers - Any elected officer can create any offices deemed helpful for the program.

Associate - n. - a member who doesn't have the time to be a full active but wants to remain a part of A Phi O. You can not go associate the first semester that you are an active. Also, You may not go associate two term in a row.

Cardinal Principles - n. pl. - Leadership, Friendship, Service; what APO is based on. Commonly abbreviated to LFS.

Chapter Planning & Review Committee - Chair: President (recurring) This committee meets before the beginning of each semesters and discusses our program for the upcoming semester. This committee includes the elected officers for the upcoming semester.

Chi - n. - us, the UCLA chapter of APO. As chapters were founded, they were named alphabetically, i.e. Alpha, Beta, Gamma, . . . , Omega, Alpha Alpha, Alpha Beta, . . . , Alpha Omega, Beta Alpha, . . . Thus, we were the 22nd chapter to be founded.

Constitution & Bylaws - n. - We use these to help us run the chapter, and give

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everyone a voice. They are updated every year.

Constitutional Committee - Chair: President (Recurring) This committee meets every year. It reviews the constitution and bylaws to ensure that they still serve our needs and to recommend to the chapter any appropriate changes.

CPW - n. - Chapter President's Workshop. A weekend conference where are officers go through workshops to help them run better programs in our chapter.

Dykstra Tree - n. - where we meet for many of our events. It will become very familiar.

DSK - abbr. - Distinguished Service Key, the highest award that can be bestowed upon a member at either the chapter (blue), sectional (green), regional (red), or national (purple) level.

ExComm - abbr. - Executive Committee, the elected officers of this chapter.

Four C's of Service - phrase - Chapter, Campus, Community, and Country; a rephrasing of the four points of Service that makes it easier to remember what they are. There's also an S for scouting.

Friendship - n. - the state of being with someone a person whom one knows well and is fond of; intimate associate; close acquaintance.

Leadership - n. - understood by all yet tough to define.

LDW - n. - Leadership Development Workshop. These are usually done at the regionals and nationals.

National Convention - n. - this is the governing body of our fraternity. It meets every other year in late December. In addition to the legislative function, there are also a number of workshops and fellowship events.

Phone Tree - n. - method which we use to send out information when there is no

convenient meeting. Usually used a few times each term.

Pin - n. - a pin that says APO which one wears on their shirt to show that s/he is a member in APO. Pledges have a "P" on their pin and wear it on their right.

Actives have an "S" on their pin and wear it on their left.

Pledge - n. - a member being educated toward active membership.

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Pledge Committee - Chair: Pledge Parent (Standing) This committee deals with the pledge program. They try to ensure that the pledges will have an enjoyable pledge term and become good actives.

Procrastinate - v. - This is something which many pledges do. It makes the last few weeks of one's pledge period very painful and is not recommended.

Roster -n. - a list of all of the members in the chapter. Includes their phone number, birthday, major, and address.

Seeing no Objections - phrase - Used to expedite parliamentary procedure. Objections are checked for and Seeing none, the vote passes.

Service - n. - an act giving assistance or advantage to another.

Torch & Trefoil - n. - a quarterly publication of the national fraternity.

Toast Song - n. - The song sung at the end of all APO events. It is also sung by pledges who get caught on campus or at APO events without their pin.

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