

## APPENDIX A: Expansion Policy

The Drexel Inter-fraternity Council supports a vibrant Fraternity Life, and we recognize the need to be realistic given our campus' size, population, and resources. This process was created by students and staff at Drexel University with the best interest of students and the existing Greek community in mind. No local Fraternities will be recognized by the IFC or the University, with the exception of Alpha Pi Lambda. In the event of a desire for expansion of the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC), the executive board shall follow the procedure outlined in this document.

### Expansion Committee

1. **Purpose:** To consider campus readiness for Greek community growth and make recommendations to the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life as to which organizations will most benefit the Greek community and provide reasons why based on various factors.
2. **Membership:** A representative from each member Fraternity of the Inter-fraternity Council at Drexel University. Each fraternity will be entitled to one vote.
  - a. The member from each chapter must meet the following criteria:
    - i.
    - ii. Current chapter executive board member
    - iii. Chapter member for at least four (4) academic terms.
3. **Duties:** The IFC Expansion Committee will meet to research, discuss, and make recommendations regarding whether the University and Greek community can support fraternity expansion efforts. The Committee utilizes multiple factors in making this determination, including but not limited to:
  - a. Success of the last three expansion efforts
  - b. Recruitment/intake statistics
  - c. Human, financial, and facility resources.
4. **Voting:** Voting may only occur when there is quorum.
5. **Quorum:** Quorum for meetings of the IFC Expansion Committee where a vote will take place requires a 75% attendance, rounded down to the nearest number of the voting members of the expansion committee
  - a. Exceptions to Quorum
    - i. Any chapter that has lost its right to vote shall not be counted against quorum.
    - ii. Any chapter that has lost its right to vote shall not be counted in the total when considering the required number of votes for a motion to be passed
6. **Meetings:** The Expansion Committee will meet on a case by case basis as Greek organizations approach Drexel (and the IFC) to start the colonizing effort. They may or may not be convened at a later time to assist in the advising of the new chapter.
7. **Timing:** While this process cannot be laid out in direct timetables the general process should be done within at most a two term period. The process should be moved ahead in a timely manner.
8. IFC Advisor can be added as member of the committee by the IFC President and/or the Vice President of Recruitment. .

The IFC Expansion Committee is to follow the expansion process as laid out below in Article V, Section 5 of this document

The committee will also be convened to discuss and review paperwork submitted by Fraternity national offices or alumni associations, and offer a collective recommendation as to what future steps should be taken (grant approval to chapter, defer approval, reject proposal etc.).

## Expansion Process

1. Any chapter that has applied to the University for recognition and wishes to become a member chapter of the IFC shall be subject to this expansion process. All information that has been submitted to the University for consideration in this case should be made available to the IFC Expansion Committee.
2. An Expansion Committee Shall be formed by the order of the IFC President or a Two Thirds affirmative vote of the Board of Delegates
3. Expansion Committee Chairman
  - a. The Chairman of the IFC Expansion Committee will be the current IFC VP of Recruitment.
  - b. IFC Expansion Chairman will not pick the IFC Expansion Committee, each IFC member chapter will choose their delegate for the committee as long as he satisfies the membership criteria outlined in section 2a of "Expansion Committee"
4. The IFC Vice President of Recruitment, alongside the IFC executive Board will perform the following Tasks:
  - a. Conduct research as to details of existing circumstances within the Greek community and the effects of expansion on the community (i.e. strength of individual chapters in members, finances, standing with the university, etc.);
  - b. Work with Greek Relations Board to ensure alumni involvement in process.
  - c. Establish a timeline for events of expansion (may be either immediate or postponed to be revisited in the future).
5. After substantial research the Expansion Committee will vote on the allowance of expansion at that time. Should that vote pass, then the Expansion Committee will vote to find the top three fraternities following the procedure defined here:
  - a. The vote will be done by survey to find out the top three fraternities by popular vote.
  - b. One survey will be given to each member of the committee
  - c. The top three fraternities will be invited to give formal presentations as laid out in Section 6.
  - d. After all the research the IFC Expansion committee will have a simple majority vote (defined as 51%) on the top choice of applying fraternities. The results of the entire process are submitted to the IFC BOD in the form of a written report and a presentation by the Expansion Committee Chairman.
    - i. If the vote results in the top choice receiving less than 51%, the fraternity with the lowest percentage of votes will be excluded, and the committee will re-vote on the two fraternities that received more votes.
6. Request of Proposals adhere to the following policies:
  - a. Proposals shall be solicited by the IFC only.
  - b. Determination of organizations solicited shall occur in the following order of eligibility:
    - i. Organizations who have been on campus previously
    - ii. New National Organizations
    - iii. Interest Groups on campus
    - iv. Everyone else
7. After a complete review of proposals, the IFC invites the top three eligible applying organizations to campus to make formal presentations to the Expansion Committee
  - a. The presentations shall not be public. The IFC executive board shall determine who will receive invitations to the presentations (generally Senior Vice President of Student Life, Greek Life Staff and Greek Relations Board).
  - b. Presentations must include the organizations viewpoints on the following:
    - i. Academics
    - ii. Alumni involvement
    - iii. Colonization
    - iv. Corporation

- v. Finance
- vi. Philanthropy
- vii. Recruitment / New Member period.

### **Final Recommendation**

1. The IFC Expansion Committee will then present their top choice for the best applying fraternity to the IFC BOD
2. The Final recommendation (i.e. whether to accept, defer, or reject the top applying fraternity as determined by the expansion committee) of the IFC will be determined by a simple majority vote (defined as 51%) of the board of delegates after the presentation by the IFC Expansion Committee.
3. The recommendation is given to the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life who will make the final decision about whether expansion will occur. In the event that expansion will be pursued, the Committee will follow Fraternity and Sorority Life's (FSL) Expansion Policy for the specific organization(s) invited to campus.
4. Once an organization has been selected and accepted their invitation, they shall begin their recruitment process no sooner than two weeks following the IFC recruitment period for that academic term.