

## **DELTA ZETA LEGACY POLICY**

Delta Zeta's Legacy Policy outlines the definition of a legacy as well as all expectations and guidelines for engaging with legacy Potential New Members during the recruitment process.

- 1. A Delta Zeta legacy is defined as the biological or adopted daughter, granddaughter, great-granddaughter or sister of an initiated member (alive or deceased) of any Delta Zeta chapter. This may include legal guardians, half-sisters or step relations if the relationship to the Delta Zeta member has been a close one.
- 2. A potential member shall not be considered a legacy unless a Recruitment Introduction Form or written referral filled out completely and submitted to the College Chapter Director (CCD) (President, if there is not a CCD) via the Delta Zeta website for the chapter of interest before formal recruitment begins. If an alumna is unable to use the online form, the Recruitment Introduction Form must be mailed or emailed to the CCD for receipt prior to the start of formal recruitment. It is the responsibility of the alumna member not the potential new member or the College Panhellenic Council to notify the chapter of a legacy.
- 3. Any potential member, including legacies, must meet any GPA requirements established by the campus to receive a bid; an individual chapter may set a higher GPA requirement, in accord with the National Academic policy. The GPA requirement for membership is stated in each chapter's current approved Chapter Bylaws. The chapter shall not require a legacy's GPA to be higher, or allow it to be lower, than a potential new member who is not a Delta Zeta legacy.
- 4. A legacy shall be invited to at least one invitational formal recruitment event, provided she meets the chapter's GPA requirement.
- 5. A legacy may only be released from a chapter's membership invitation list with reasonable justification and prior approval of the chapter's CCD (Regional Collegiate Director, if there is not a CCD). A CCD may contact her Regional Collegiate Director or the National Recruitment Chairman for guidance, as needed, but this approval is not required since membership decisions are made at the local chapter level.
- A legacy receiving an invitation to the preference event shall be placed on the top of chapter's bid list.
- 7. Chapters are required to acknowledge, in writing (email or hard copy letter), all written voluntary references and Recruitment Introduction Forms.