

Activities and Organizations

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Drake students may choose from a wide range of co-curricular activities, including drama, dance and musical groups and organizations; academic and professional associations and societies; special-interest hobby and political groups; a number of religious foundations and many others. The *Times-Delphic* (campus newspaper) and various other publications have positions available for students interested in these areas. Information can be found online in the Drake University Student Handbook at: <http://www.drake.edu/dos/handbook/index.php>, or by inquiring at the Student Life Center located in the Olmsted Center.

FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES

The Office of Greek Life works with the Interfraternity Council (IFC), Panhellenic Council (Panhel) and National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) to provide students with opportunities for self-development in these social residence groups.

The following national social fraternities operate chapter houses at Drake: Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Tau Kappa Epsilon and Theta Chi.

The following national social sororities operate chapter houses at Drake: Alpha Phi, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The following historically African American national fraternities and sororities also have chapters at Drake: fraternities — Phi Beta Sigma; sororities — Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta (recolonization in progress). Other National Pan-Hellenic fraternities and sororities have been involved at Drake in years past and can re-affiliate with proper intake procedures.

HONOR SOCIETIES

Alpha Lambda Delta is the scholastic honor society for first-year students. Mortar Board and Omicron Delta Kappa are the leadership honor societies for juniors and seniors. Order of Omega is the Greek-affiliated honor society for juniors and seniors. Phi Beta Kappa is a prestigious honor society that elects into membership each year a limited number of top-ranking seniors in recognition of outstanding achievement in the liberal arts. These societies are among the nationally affiliated all-university honor societies on the Drake campus. In addition, all colleges and schools have their own honor groups, which are outlined in the college and school sections of this catalog.

DEPARTMENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Drake's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics offers a comprehensive competitive program for both men and women. Sports for men include football, soccer, basketball, cross country, indoor and outdoor track and field, golf and tennis. Women compete in basketball, crew, golf, soccer, volleyball, softball, tennis, cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field. Drake is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, Division I; the Missouri Valley Conference; and the Pioneer Football League. International and national attention is focused on Drake University each spring when top track athletes compete in the Drake Relays, one of the largest university track and field meets in the world, held the last weekend in April.

MULTICULTURAL STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Drake University recognizes the Coalition of Black Students (CBS), Black American Law Students Association (BALSA), La Fuerza Latina (Hispanic students), the South Asian Student Association (SASA), the Vietnamese American Student Association (SASA), the Muslim Student Association (MSA) and International Student Association (ISA). These organizations sponsor a variety of programs, including Black History and Hispanic Heritage months. The Black Cultural Center and La Casa Cultural provide opportunity for all students to meet informally for programs and activities.

RELIGIOUS LIFE

Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and Muslim faiths, as well as interdenominational and nondenominational organizations are part of the religious worshipping community. Regular worship and a wide variety of programs are available to the campus community.

RECREATIONAL SERVICES

Drake students, faculty and staff are offered a wide variety of recreation/leisure opportunities. Recreation facilities include an indoor swimming pool; aerobics room; a weight room; a fitness room; nine basketball courts, which can be set up for volleyball or badminton; two indoor tracks and an outdoor track; four racquetball courts; and six indoor and six outdoor tennis courts. More than 20 intramural sports for men and women are offered at competitive and recreational levels. The William C. Knapp Center, Drake's recreation, sports and convocation center, provides a first-class facility for athletic teams and fans; opportunities for recreational and intramural activities and a place for University-wide lectures, concerts and other major events.

Club sports are available for individuals who wish to compete against other universities. Current clubs include men's and women's soccer, women's volleyball and men's and women's tennis.

The Wellness Program offers group exercise programs, fitness programs, lectures and clinics related to current health issues. The goal of the program is to promote fitness and healthy lifestyles. Individual fitness and nutrition assessment and counseling are available.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Students play an active role in academic planning and campus governance through the Student Senate and student representation on most committees of the Faculty Senate. Students become members of the senate through election by the student body. Students are selected for the Student Activities Board, which plans a variety of cultural, educational and social programs, volunteer opportunities and special events, such as Homecoming and the Drake Relays. Students are members of most committees in each of Drake's colleges and schools. Students are elected also to governing positions in each of the student residences.

STUDENT CONDUCT

Students attending the University are responsible for their conduct both on and off campus. It is expected that all students are at the University for serious educational pursuits and that they will conduct themselves accordingly.

In all cases involving violations of University regulations, appropriate hearing and appeal procedures are available. The Code of Student Conduct is available in the Drake University Student Handbook.