



Senior Programming and Recognition

The dedication of your senior members has made your chapter what it is today. Utilize senior programming to keep them involved and recognize their experience and leadership skills throughout their senior year.

PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION

Survey your seniors to learn the types of programming they would enjoy and incorporate their ideas into the calendar. Create a year-long plan of senior programming honoring their dedication to the chapter and including programs of special interest for them. Utilize senior programming during chapter events, sisterhood events and special gatherings. Remember to do a Senior Installation each term.

RECOGNITION IDEAS

- Birthday queen for the day - Give a tiara to wear and provide cake or cookies.
- Senior queen of the week - Honor a senior each week by letting her wear a crown during the weekly gathering
- Senior words of wisdom - Have a senior share her favorite memory, words of wisdom, and hope for the chapter. Topics can range from what I would have done differently, things I would do again, classes I wish I had taken, special things that have happened during their time in college.
- Name that senior - Ask each senior to tell something no one else knows about them.
- Senior spotlights - A little sister honors her senior by telling a story, reading a poem or just remembering her sister at a special event.
- Featured fourth year - Highlight a particular senior each week at the weekly anchored event. Tell what they have done during the DG collegiate years as well as outside activities.
- Secret senior/secret Hannah – The first week a chapter member mails or leave a card; the next week they leave a note along with candy; and the third week they can leave a card with hints about who they are and write things that the secret sister has observed about the senior. Use hints to meet for dinner or dessert.
- Ad in campus paper or banner to recognize the seniors, or to wish them congratulations and best wishes for graduation

- Senior spirit day
- Senior awards at Founders Day or parents' weekend
- Senior slide show - Collect pictures for senior installation.
- Hannah book – poems and letters from all chapter members are copied and given to seniors at Senior Installation
- Senior aloha - secret sis for seniors to reveal at a Hawaiian dinner
- Senior week - Plan a week just for seniors and have parents write letters or provide baby pictures.

PROGRAM IDEAS

- Network nights - Invite alumnae for career panels or discussions.
- Dress for success - career fashion show or tips on how to dress for interviews
- Make-up for success - beauty consultant demonstration
- Stress for success - speaker from the local mentalhealth clinic to speak on the adjustment to the professional world
- Career/resume workshop - Hold a seminar on job networking and resume writing. Invite seniors from another sorority or fraternity.

IDEAS FOR YEAR LONG INVOLVEMENT

- Seniors schedule an activity with the new member class and/or attend week 9 of the new member meetings
- Use the seniors to be the “spirit group” during recruitment
- Senior Songs - seniors pick a song a week to share at chapter meetings
- Involve seniors to be mentors to younger women to help with career choices/ classes/professors/majors/etc.
- Coordinate an aunt Hannah/mentor/pen pal program with local alumnae group.
- Help senior members prepare to connect with Alumnae Group! Ensure members are aware of how to find an alumnae group closest to them and confirm that their Anchorbase profile is up to date. Refer to the [Delta Gamma website](#) for more.