

### **Transfer Student Affiliation FAQ**

During their collegiate experience, a member may transfer to a new campus for one reason or another. A member transferring to a campus with a Delta Gamma chapter is not required to affiliate to remain a member of the Fraternity. If you choose not to affiliate, you will be defined as an unaffiliated transfer student and remain a Delta Gamma collegiate member. However, we know that often our members do wish to affiliate at the new university, and this FAQ will hopefully answer any lingering questions you have about the process of transferring and affiliating with a new chapter.

If you still have any outstanding questions about transferring and affiliating, please email <u>colldept@deltagamma.org</u>.

## Q: I am transferring to a university with a Delta Gamma chapter. How do I initiate the transfer process with my current chapter?

A: You will need to reach out to your current chapter's vp: communications about your intent to transfer. Officers will submit information about your transfer to Executive Offices to ensure that your member status is updated and that, if you transfer to a school with a Delta Gamma chapter, that chapter will be notified. Once the officers have submitted the information about your transfer, you will not need to take any additional action steps until you hear from the chapter at your new school.

# Q: Before I contact anyone at my new chapter, what information should I have prepared for my new chapter?

A: To affiliate with a new chapter, you must meet the new chapter's GPA good standing requirement and be in financial good standing with your previous chapter. Have ready an unofficial transcript that you can share with the new chapter's adviser. Also, double check your greekbill account to ensure that you are paid in full to your previous chapter and that all fines or extra charges are paid.

#### Q: What if my GPA does not meet the new chapter's good standing requirement?

A: You will remain an unaffiliated transfer until you are able to achieve the good standing requirement GPA. You may affiliate with the chapter, if you choose, after that.

#### Q: What if I owe money to my previous chapter?

A: You must be in financial good standing to affiliate with a new chapter. If you owe money to your previous chapter, you must settle that debt before affiliating. Work with your previous vp: finance to pay any outstanding charges.

### Q: What if I received an APN from my previous chapter for scholarship, finance, attendance, etc.?

A: You do not need to serve any days on probation with the new chapter. However, you cannot affiliate if you do not have a GPA that meets the new chapter's good standing requirement and if you owe money to your previous chapter. Ensure that you have settled both of those areas before you try and proceed in affiliating with the new chapter.

### Q: Now that I know what I need to do to be eligible to affiliate, whom do I contact about transferring?

A: If you have not yet done so, you will need to contact your current chapter's vp: communications. They will submit information about your transfer to Executive Offices and that information will be shared with the chapter at your new school. The new chapter will be encouraged to reach out to you. However, if you do not hear from anyone, you can email <a href="mailto:colldept@deltagamma.org">colldept@deltagamma.org</a> and a staff member will provide you with contact information for your new chapter.

#### Q: I have gotten in contact with the new chapter, what kinds of questions should I ask?

A: No two Delta Gamma chapters are the same, so you are encouraged to ask as many questions as possible. Some questions to consider asking are:

- What days of the week do you hold chapter meeting?
- If the chapter has a house, what are your live-in requirements? Can I live-in?
- What is the breakdown of your dues and fees? How much does it cost to be a Delta Gamma at this university?
- Can someone go over your chapter's BLSRS with me?
- What opportunities are there for me to meet members of your chapter?

These questions are important to ask because it gives you a larger picture of what being a Delta Gamma in the new chapter will look like. You will want to ensure that you are aware of any requirements of you, such as living in the house, anchored meetings on a certain night of the week, and any other specific requirements mentioned in the new chapter's BLSRs.

# Q: I am on campus/will be on campus soon. I have spoken with the chapter president, and other officers in the new chapter. What's next?

A: Before you affiliate, we encourage you to attend a few of the chapter's meetings, or general sisterhood events. This will allow you to meet more women in the chapter and therefore make a more informed decision about wanting to affiliate with the new chapter.

#### Q: I have made my decision and I want to affiliate with the new chapter. Now what?

A: The new chapter will hold an Affiliation Ceremony for you to officially welcome you into the chapter. Once that has been completed, you will be added the chapter's official Delta Gamma, greekbill and campus rosters. You will be asked to sign a Dues and Fees contract with the new chapter. If applicable, any remaining portion of the Dues and Fees Contract you signed with your previous chapter owed during the term in which you are affiliating with the new chapter will be forgiven and you will only be paying dues to your new chapter. For example, if you begin attending a new university in the spring term and affiliate with the

Delta Gamma chapter on that campus, you will be expected to pay all dues and fees assigned in the fall term to your previous chapter, but the spring dues and fees will be forgiven.

Q: I made my decision and I do not want to affiliate with the new chapter. Now what?

A: You will remain a collegiate member of Delta Gamma but will be marked as an unaffiliated transfer. You are not required to pay dues and fees to the new chapter, nor are you required to attend their events. However, if you have a signed Dues and Fees Contract with your old chapter, you are obligated to continue to pay dues until the terms of that Dues and Fees Contract have been met. For example, if you transfer after the fall term and are at a new school for the spring term within the same academic year, you are obligated to pay dues to your previous chapter through the end of the spring term. Additionally, please ensure your email and graduation date is updated with Executive Offices so that they can contact you appropriately. To update this, email colldept@deltagamma.org.

Q: I told the chapter president I wanted to affiliate and I have been attending meetings, events, socials, etc. as a full chapter member but I am not being charged on greekbill, what do I do?

A: If you are fully engaged with your new chapter and not being billed on greekbill, please email <a href="mailto:colldept@deltagamma.org">colldept@deltagamma.org</a> immediately. The chapter may have missed a step in adding you to their roster, and we want to remedy that as soon as possible so you are not billed for the entire term/year at a later date.