

Pre-Ritual Service Projects

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Pre-ritual service projects are service projects that interested rushees can attend in order to get a feel for what it's like to volunteer with us, as well as to get a taste of the projects we do. If you're interested in attending, please contact us at membership-vp@calaphio.com. Note: For projects meeting at Underhill, meet on the north (Channing) side of Underhill Parking Lot, located on Channing Avenue and College Avenue.

Ghirardelli Chocolate Festival

Assist vendors putting together desserts and get free dessert samples while you're at it!

Saturday, September 10th, 2011 @1:30pm-5:30pm (Meet at Underhill @ 12:30pm)

Sunday, September 11th, 2011 @1:30pm-5:30pm (Meet at Underhill @ 12:30pm)

Preschool Enrichment Program

Have the time of your life playing with preschoolers and aiding the teachers!

Friday, September 9th, 2011 @8:30am-10:30am (Meet at Unit 2 @ 8:15am)

Friday, September 16th, 2011 @ 8:30am-10:30am (Meet at Unit 2 @ 8:15am)

Project Open Hand

Work with Chef Roger to prepare and package meals for people living with HIV/AIDS and other critical diseases in San Francisco.

For more information: <http://www.openhand.org>

Monday, September 12th, 2011 @ 5pm-8pm (Meet at Underhill @ 4pm)

Monday, September 19th, 2011 @ 5pm-8pm (Meet at Underhill @ 4pm)

SF Food Bank

Help pack lunches for the homeless with us.

Wednesday, September 14th, 2011 @ 1pm-4pm (Meet at Underhill @ 5pm)

Cal Star Yoga

Help disabled people do yoga and stretching!

Friday, September 16th, 2011 @ 1pm-4pm (Meet at RSF Combatives Room @ 1pm)

California Coastal Clean-Up Day

Help pick up plastic off the shoreline with the brothers of APO!

Saturday, September 17th, 2011 @ 9am-12pm (Meet at Underhill at 8:40am)

Dinner for the Poor

St. Mark's Hot Meals for the Hungry program.

Saturday, September 17th, 2011 @1:30pm-3:30pm (Meet in front of RSF @ 1:15pm)

Saturday, September 17th, 2011 @ 4pm-6:15pm (Meet in front of RSF @ 3:45pm)

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Frequently Asked Questions

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What determines whether or not I cross?

-Membership in APO and its rights, benefits and privileges are based upon an objective evaluation of each pledge's successful completion of objective requirements listed in the pamphlet. Fulfillment of requirements by the end of the pledge semester (approximately nine weeks from now) will result in crossing. There is no black-balling allowed, as active status is a great honor, earned through hard work, diligent effort and dedication to our principles. It is not based merely on a popularity vote – that would be contrary to the principles of our fraternity. There is absolutely no hazing.

What's the difference between APO and other community service organizations?

-First and foremost, APO is a fraternity dedicated to the cardinal principles of Leadership, Friendship, and Service. In addition to the service events, we offer a variety of social events. We emphasize brotherhood through service and leadership through personal development. Moreover, unlike clubs and other organizations, we are different because we have a pledging process.

Frequently Asked Questions

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What is Alpha Phi Omega?

-Alpha Phi Omega (APO) is an international co-ed service fraternity. So what does that mean? It means that APO has over 700 chapters across the US and hundreds more abroad in the Philippines, Australia, and elsewhere. APO was founded for the purpose of serving humanity in as many ways as possible. Through service, members of APO are brought closer together.

How much time does pledging require?

-2-3 hours every Tuesday nights are required as well as some hours on the weekends. An overnight campout is mandatory – please see page 5 for the dates and minimum requirements.
-Aside from the minimal requirements, there are many additional APO activities that are available for you to partake in. On any given day, there is almost bound to be an event for you to attend. Assuming that you space your minimum requirements equally over the period of the pledging semester, you will need to budget approximately five hours a week for APO activities.

What if there's a mandatory event that I absolutely cannot attend?

-In extreme cases, an alternate arrangement can usually be made. In these situations, you will need to speak directly with the Pledgemaster.

How do you get to know the people of APO?

-When you become involved in APO you often end up sharing a wide variety of experiences and spending quite a bit of time together. The family system also serves to ease your transition into the fraternity. You will be placed into a small family, consisting of between 2-4 pledges, and a similar number of actives act as the big siblings. Each small family is in turn placed into a big family, with between 3-5 actives acting as the parent group. The family system is designed to act as your main form of support throughout your pledge semester.

Rush Events

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Info Night #1

Wednesday, September 7th @ 7pm

20 Barrows

**Come find out what it means to pledge Alpha Phi Omega!

Big C Hike

Thursday, September 8th @ 7pm

Kroeber Fountain

**Take a stroll to the Big C with some of the brothers!

Game Night

Monday, September 12th @ 7pm

203 Wheeler

**A night of fun and games with the brothers. Dessert will be served!

Info Night #2

Tuesday, September 13th @ 7pm

159 Mulford

**In case you missed the first one!

Meet the Chapter

Friday, September 16th @ 7pm

Kip's

**Come and meet the brothers. Dinner is on us!

Ritual

Tuesday, September 20th @ 5pm

TBA

**Mandatory for pledging.

Our Fraternity

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Welcome to Alpha Phi Omega, an international co-ed service fraternity that has set the standard for college-based volunteerism for over seventy-five years. We strive to help each member develop leadership skills, secure long lasting friendships, and provide service to others. Our chapter here at UC Berkeley, the Gamma Gamma Chapter, has been serving the campus, the community, and the country since 1939. We are the premier and only service fraternity in the nation.

Being a service fraternity distinguishes Alpha Phi Omega in two important ways:

-Our main focus is community service, which is offered through a wide variety of projects: Food Banks, SF AIDS Walk, Glide Memorial Church, American Red Cross, Project Open Hand, and many others. Every semester the Gamma Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega provides thousands of hours of service to those in need.

-As a fraternity, we promote brotherhood amongst our members. We are more than a club. We not only sponsor fellowship events and social activities, but also support each other in all our endeavors, be it academic, social or career-oriented. Our dedication to service and our fellow brothers creates a bond which lasts a lifetime.

To join Alpha Phi Omega, you must first complete the pledge semester. The semester will be challenging, but it will definitely be fun and rewarding as well. Joining Alpha Phi Omega is truly a unique experience that will provide you with the most interesting and fulfilling semesters of your college years.

Pledge Requirements

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- Pay Pledge Dues: \$90
- Join a Pledge Committee
- Attend Talent Show
- Attend 5 of 5 Pledge Reviews
- Attend 4 of 5 Chapter Meetings
- Attend 2 of 2 Elections
- Attend 1 ExComm Meeting
- Attend 2 of 3 InterFams
- Complete 20 Service Hours
- Attend 5 Fellowships
- Complete 20 Interviews
- Pass 4 of 4 Pledge Review Quizzes
- Pass Pledge Test

Important Dates

Ritual Ceremony
Tuesday, September 20th @ TBA
This is a mandatory event if you want to pledge. Here you will be formally inducted as a pledge before you begin your pledging semester. If you cannot attend after the Pledgemaster announces the location, please contact the Pledgemaster. Dress is semi-formal. Please bring cash or check to pay for pledge dues. Make checks payable to APO/ASUC.

Pledge Intro Meeting
Friday, September 23rd @ TBA
An introduction to the semester; we will go over pledge requirements and the entire pledging process in detail.

Sib Social
Friday, September 23rd @ TBA
Every semester, pledges are sponsored by a small family. Tonight you will meet your family, parents, bigs, sibs, aunts, and uncles.

Pledge Class Retreat
Sunday, October 2nd
A time to get to know your fellow pledges. Please keep this day free.

Pledge Class Fellowship
Saturday, October 15th
Play an exciting game of broomball with the rest of your pledge class and families.

Pledge Class Service Project Part I
Saturday, October 8th
Complete a service project with your pledge class.

Pledge Class Service Project Part II
Sunday, November 6th
Complete a service project with your pledge class.

Campout
Friday to Saturday, November 11-12
All the pledges and the chapter as well will go out together for a fun-filled weekend camping out. Friends, sports, activities, and campfires guarantee this to be a great event.

Pledge Test
Monday, November 21st
The final requirement in the pledge semester. Pledges will be tested on what they have learned during the semester.

Activation
Friday, December 2
The culmination of all the hard work during your pledge semester. Here, you become an active member of APO.