

HOUSE CHARTER 2019- Pi Beta Phi House: 170 West Louther

I. Philosophy:

The Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women house's goal is to promote a happy and healthy living environment where sisters can come together and develop a positive and supportive culture. Pi Beta Phi house works towards encouraging its members to develop meaningful relationships that promote a foundation for support, guidance, and sincere friendship. The house aims to bring together a diverse group of sisters, allowing people to form relationships that may not have taken place otherwise.

II. Expectation of House Members:

The women of Pi Beta Phi who have the opportunity to live in the house are encouraged to work with their fellow housemates to complete house chores and organize house activities that promote bonding and sisterhood. Despite the house being only filled with members of the organization, Pi Beta Phi understands that its members are passionate about other areas of interest as well as organizations on campus. Not only are the sisters of the house invested in the interests of one another, but the house also functions as a space where girls can express themselves freely, confidently and honestly. The common room located on the first floor allows girls to socialize as well as share their various interests and passions.

III. House Rules and Procedures:

- a. Girls who are interested in working within Pi Beta Phi's Executive team are encouraged to apply to the various positions available, one of those positions being Vice President of Housing. Vice President of Housing works with PA Gamma's chapter House Corporation (CHC) as well as an advising mentor (AAC). VPH meets with the CHC team as well as their AAC counterpart regularly and communicates with them frequently.
- b. When the leadership role of Vice President of Housing needs to be replaced Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for women will communicate the leadership opportunity to its members. When a fellow sister completes an application the inner council of Pi Beta Phi reviews the application and discusses the responsibilities of the position. Girls who express interest shadow the current VPH before independently taking on the responsibilities that come with the position.
- c. The responsibilities of VPH include the chapter apartment, communicating safety instructions, acting as a liaison between Pi Beta Phi, the house, and Campus Life and finally establishing rules.

IV. Meetings

Pi Beta Phi house meetings are held as needed depending on the girl's schedules and situations that may occur. At these meetings the girls living in the house plan to discuss their

house goals and possible chores that need to be taken care of. The current VPH who is living in the house leads these meetings and ensures that it is a safe environment for girls to express themselves as well as their concerns. Members of the house and chapter are always welcome to approach the VPH with any issues that occur and it is the responsibility of the VPH to do their best to solve or help mediate any problems.

V. Selection

Every sister is eligible to live in the house. Selection will be made based on chapter approved point system. If more than 12 girls would like to live in the house, priority will go to those with the highest number of points. If not enough people want to live in the house members with the lowest number of points will be required to live in the space (unless excused by accommodations), in order to promote further involvement in the organization.

VI. Violations and Expectations/ Community Standards

Girls living in the house are expected to work towards making the house a positive living experience. If problems do arise they are to be referred to VPH whose responsibilities is to assess the situation and find an appropriate way to resolve the issue. If the circumstance cannot be mediated by VPH, VPH will work with Campus Life as well as the Fraternities inner Policy and Standards Board to deal with such issues. In regards to the house standards girls living in the house will evenly distribute chores such as cleaning amongst themselves.

Pi Beta Phi House Rules:

1. NO ALCOHOL or ILLEGAL DRUGS may be brought onto Pi Beta Phi property.
2. Chapter facilities shall be kept securely locked at all times.
3. Live flame candles are not permitted in Pi Beta Phi facilities
4. Smoking and the use of e-cigarettes is prohibited on Pi Beta Phi property.
5. All residents must abide by Dickinson College housing policies.
6. Quiet hours take place from 10 pm to 8 am Sunday through Thursday and from 11:30 pm to 8 am Friday and Saturday
7. House residents are responsible for maintaining house common spaces (kitchen, laundry facilities, etc.).
8. If house spaces are not properly maintained, the Director of Housing and VPFH reserve the right to institute a cleaning schedule that equally distributes work amongst all members residing in the facility.
9. If standards are not being met by any member of the house, Director of Housing and VPFH will have a meeting to discuss the responsibilities and privileges of living in the house. If necessary, they may request a meeting be set up between the member and the Member Conduct Committee.

Visitation policy:

10. Overnight guests are allowed to stay up to three days and two nights in chapter facilities.
11. Host must get permission for guest to stay from all suite members.
12. Host must notify the Director of Housing of overnight guests.
13. Overnight and Non-overnight guests are welcome in the common areas of chapter facilities and suite of person they are visiting with.
14. Guests may not enter other suites without direct permission from the person living in that space.
15. Non-overnight guests are welcome in common areas of chapter facilities between the hours of 10 am to 10 pm.
16. Non-overnight guests are welcome in private suites between the hours of 10 am to 11:59 pm.
17. If any resident of the house is uncomfortable with any guest entering the facilities they may notify Director of Housing, VPFH or AAC and they will handle the situation as seen fit.
18. Service animals: Animals are prohibited from chapter facilities except when a member may require a service animal for a disability or medical reasons. A request for a service animal must be approved by AAC and CRD after consultation with CHC/FHC.

VII. Goals

Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women house goals are always to create a living environment that embodies the values of the organization. Pi Beta Phi's core values are Integrity, Lifelong Commitment, Honor and Respect, Personal and Intellectual Growth, Philanthropic Service to Others and Sincere friendship.

a.) Mission Statement: The mission of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women is to promote friendship, develop women of intellect and integrity, cultivate leadership potential and enrich lives through community service.

b.) Vision statement: The vision of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women is to be recognized as a premier organization for women by providing lifelong enrichment to its members and contributing to the betterment of society.