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**ASSOCIATE MEMBER:** A person who has accepted a bid but who is not yet initiated into a sorority or fraternity.

**CROSSING:** Another term for initiation. Signals that a selected member is moving from associate member through initiation and becoming an initiated member of their chosen organization.

**DELEGATES:** A representative from a member organization of the MGC chosen by their respective organization to attend Council Meetings.

**INDUCTION:** A ceremony that occurs before initiation in which selected members are inducted as associate members and start the process toward becoming full, initiated members.

**INFORMATIONAL:** Recruitment event for culturally based fraternity or sorority.

**INITIATED MEMBER:** A person who receives lifelong membership privileges into their chosen organization.

**INITIATION:** A ceremony during which new members receive lifelong membership privileges into their chosen organization.

**INTAKE:** Term for the process by which MGC and NPHC members are selected to become new members of an organization. This is generally secretive. It includes an application and an interview process, followed by an educational program done at the regional level conducted by alumni, then an initiation (generally known as “crossing”).

**MGC 101:** A formal MGC recruitment event that takes place twice a year during the fall and spring semesters. This event has games, food and representatives from each of the four MGC fraternities and sororities.

**NEW MEMBER PRESENTATION:**
Also referred as a probate, is a presentation that celebrates and welcome new members in the Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) community or National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) community.

**SALUTE/SALUTING:** A unique art of reciting information in a line formation. Put quite simply, it’s “poetry in motion.” Saluting involves a line of members performing intense, in-sync, and sharp hand and body movements with greetings honoring past and current accomplishments, or cherishing the cultural history, heritage, and traditions of the entire organization.

**STROLLING:** A dance, normally done in a line of active members, that displays pride and knowledge of their organization and its values. Organizations usually have national strolls and local strolls that incorporate a variety of different moves and hand signs that are unique to that organization.
Hi there! Whether you’re new here on campus or have been with us for a while, I hope you’re finding your place, and I hope that the Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) can be a part of that for you.

Joining an MGC organization has helped me grow in so many ways and has helped me call Mizzou my home away from home. Becoming involved with the executive council has shown me ways that MGC collaborates with the three other councils for the betterment of the entire campus community. Before I joined, I felt isolated. I was focused on my degree and nothing else. But after joining, I’ve come to see Mizzou as not only my school but as my home.

As the name says, MGC is multicultural. We accept anyone of any race, ethnicity, or background. I’m so grateful for the opportunities I’ve had to meet people from different cultural backgrounds other than my own. Making students feel comfortable in their skin, giving back to the community, and forming lifelong friendships are some of my favorite parts of the MGC experience.

The embracement of diversity in the MGC community is unlike any other. Speaking for myself, as a woman of color, a Latina, and a first-generation college student, I found it comforting to join a community that supports my culture and background and understands what I’m going through.

Because of how MGC has supported me, I’ve been able to grow in ways that I didn’t know were possible for me as a person, scholar, and leader. It’s taught me to lean into who I am and use my voice for the betterment of our community.

As you begin your MGC journey, here are a couple of tips:

**Follow MGC on Instagram** - You’ll find out when council or individual chapters are holding events where you can learn more and get involved.

**Come to MGC 101** - This event will give you an overview of each organization so you can better understand which one fits you and your values.

**Ask lots of questions** especially if you don’t understand something.

If you have any questions about member intake or MGC in general, please don’t hesitate to reach out to me. I look forward to seeing you at some of our events!

Arely Ochoa
President of the Multicultural Greek Council Executive Board
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History of the MGC

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The first multicultural sorority, Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority, Inc., was founded in 1981, during a time when increasing numbers of men and women from culturally diverse backgrounds were pursuing college degrees and seeking a support system. Multicultural fraternities and sororities sought to write a new page in the fraternal organization history books, one of inclusiveness of all cultures, races, religions and creeds.

1998
The year the National Multicultural Greek Council, Inc. (NMGC) was formed

By the mid-1990s, multicultural fraternities and sororities were plentiful on college campuses. In 1998, 13 multicultural organizations met to form what was to become the National Multicultural Greek Council, Inc. (NMGC), a council that would also strengthen the presence of its member organizations on college campuses while fortifying ties with college/university professionals.

2006
The year the NMGC adopted its Code of Ethics

The NMGC promotes scholarship and service amongst its members through the establishment of awards for excellence and by engaging in group service-based projects. The NMGC serves in an advisory capacity to its member organizations, which are autonomous.
MGC CHAPTERS
at the University of Missouri

LAMBDA THETA PHI LATIN FRATERNITY, INC.
SIGMA LAMBDA GAMMA NATIONAL SORORITY, INC.
ALPHA PHI GAMMA NATIONAL SORORITY, INC.
Founded: Dec. 1, 1975
Local Chapter: Delta Delta
Locally founded: April 22, 2012
Colors: Brotherhood brown and discipline white
Nickname: The Lambdas
Motto: Chivalry Above Self.
Principles: Respect, brotherhood, culture, pride.
Mission: To empower the Latin male through scholarship, brotherhood, opportunity and protection of identity and equality.

Our fraternity isn’t Latin exclusive, so people of all walks of life are welcome to join. We hope to foster a home away from home and encourage pride in our individual backgrounds and upbringings.

– Victor Peralta

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Founded: April 9, 1990
Local Chapter: Beta Beta
Locally founded: May 3, 2000
Re-established: Feb. 9, 2021
Colors: Shocking pink and majestic purple
Nickname: The Gammas
Motto: Culture is pride. Pride is success.
Principles: Academics, community service, moral and ethics, social interaction, cultural awareness
Mission: Through excellence in the organization’s five founding principles, Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. provides opportunities for lifelong empowerment to its members, thereby positively influencing the global community.

Multicultural Greek Council provides a supportive network and a genuine sense of belonging. We strive to create a vibrant and inclusive community where different backgrounds and perspectives are celebrated.

– Emily Tena
Founded: Feb. 1, 1994  
Local Chapter: Eta  
Locally founded: May 28, 1999  
Re-established: Jan. 21, 2006  
Colors: Burgundy and creme  
Nickname: APhiG

Motto: To bring together all women of different nationalities through the bonds of friendship and sisterhood  
Principle: Academic excellence, scholarship, personal development and leadership

I love Alpha Phi Gamma because it has given me the opportunity to reconnect with my culture and my identity. I have gained valuable friendships and lifelong sisters through my chapter.

― YiaSi Huang
Involvement in a fraternity or sorority governed by the Multicultural Greek Council requires involvement in the membership intake process, or membership selection process.

Early each fall semester, chapters present information for prospective members. The membership intake process happens later in the academic year, as most chapters require a minimum of 12 hours of college credit and a minimum GPA for prospective members to begin.
How to Express Interest

1. Research the organization you are interested in to ensure the organizations align with your personal values.
2. Get involved in other clubs, organizations and community service opportunities.
3. Attend the programs and events of the organizations you’re interested in and get to know its members.
4. Follow Mizzou MGC (@mizzoumgc) social media accounts as well as individual chapter social media accounts to help you stay up to date on events and programs you can attend.
5. Attend the MGC 101 event or other informational meetings hosted throughout the fall and spring semesters.
COUNSELING CENTER: Provides high quality mental health services in a safe, collaborative and confidential environment where students can explore concerns and find ways to improve their academic, social and personal success. Crisis and urgent care are available by phone 24/7. Strickland Hall, 4th Floor wellbeing.missouri.edu 573-882-6601

DISABILITY CENTER: The Disability Center coordinates academic accommodations and support services for students with unseen and seen disabilities. S5 Memorial Union disabilitycenter.missouri.edu 573-882-4696

THE GAINES/OLDHAM BLACK CULTURE CENTER: A place where the contributions of Black people are explored, celebrated, taught and shared. 813 Virginia Ave gobcc.missouri.edu 573-882-2664

LGBTQ+ RESOURCE CENTER: The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer Resource Center provides support, training and literature as well as programming and leadership opportunities for students. G225 MU Student Center lgbtq.missouri.edu 573-884-7750

STUDENT HEALTH CENTER: Offers medical services that support Mizzou students’ health & well-being. These services include primary medical care, psychiatric care, flu shots & other immunizations, sexual & reproductive health services as well as a 24-hour nurse line. Same-day appointments can be made at the Student Health Center by calling 573-882-7481. 909 Hitt St, 2nd floor wellbeing.missouri.edu

MIZZOUREC: Research shows when college students move, they feel better and have better educational outcomes. Recreational sports and exercise provide students with opportunities for involvement and to develop a sense of belonging on campus. 213 Rothwell Gymnasium mizzourec.com 573-882-0369

MULTICULTURAL CENTER: Builds community, fosters a sense of belonging and provides educational programs and resources for all students with a focus on students from marginalized identities. G107 MU Student Center multiculturalcenter.missouri.edu 573-882-7152

WELLNESS RESOURCE CENTER: Supports prevention programs and services in fitness, sleep, stress, addiction and mental health. You can stop by for a cup of coffee or tea, enjoy a quiet study space and learn more about how you can have your strongest well-being. G202 MU Student Center wellbeing.missouri.edu 573-882-4634 Open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday–Friday

RELATIONSHIP & SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION (RSVP) CENTER: Focuses on working with people experiencing intimate partner violence by providing brief emotional support, case management services, legal and medical advocacy, and preventative educational services. G216 MU Student Center RSVP.missouri.edu 573-882-6638

WOMEN’S CENTER: A place where you can hang out in a comfortable lounge; check out a book from a diverse library; and learn about gender equality, social justice, body image and more by attending one of their many programs. G108 MU Student Center womenscenter.missouri.edu 573-882-6621