



*Pictured Left to Right - Back Row: Bryan Taylor (VP), Taylor Harris, Grant Portwood, John Harrison (President), Dylan Holloway
Front Row: Brandon Riley (Recorder), John Gee (Social and Philanthropy Chair), Ryan Wendt, Nick Masters*

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About the class

“The candidate process is meant for building men, not entertaining brothers”. Jeff Brum (Mu)

Sigma Nu is more than just a fraternity; it is a brotherhood that builds southern gentlemen. My goal as candidate marshal is to strive for excellence. Leadership is about excellence, not sticking to the status quo. I'm going to push these guys to accomplish things they never thought they would be able to complete. My goals are in place, expectations are understood, and the process is rolling. Fraternities aren't for everyone and we are perfectly fine with that, we expect to only initiate the best.



Candidate Marshal: Adam Clay

Bio

I am a sophomore marketing and logistics double major from Statesboro, GA. Since taking part in Sigma Nu, I have held positions as Candidate class president (Spring 2013), Recruitment Chair (Fall), Honor Board, IFC Delegate (Fall), and now serve as Marshal, IFC VP of Recruitment (2014), and Student Government. (Senator At-Large).

Expectations

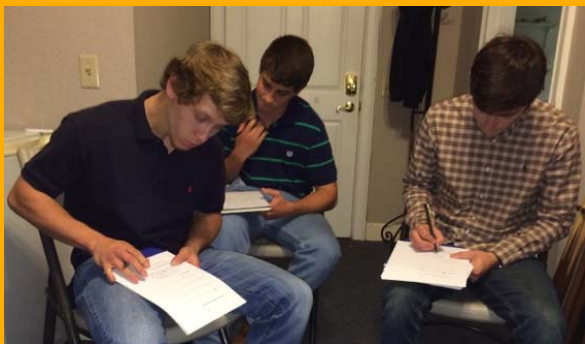
“We are headed on a journey, we will carry the wounded, but won’t wait on the stragglers”. A quote from Regent Charlie Eitel really breaks down the mission of the Theta Kappa chapter. We are willing to assist anyone that is working hard, but we will not tolerate laziness. This applies to the chapter as a whole not just the candidates. Listed below are some of the expectations I have instilled into the process.

- GPA of 3.0
- 18 hours of community service
- 9 facilitated LEAD sessions
- All 12 LEAD sessions will be covered
- Completion of GreekLife.Edu
- Understanding chapter operations
- Not memorizing but genuinely learning info on the Fraternity
- Meeting with big brother at least 1 hour a week
- Alumni mentors for each candidate
- 1 meeting with Keith Roughton about school



Alex Taylor, HQs Staff

Alex Taylor, Leadership Consultant at Sigma Nu, was in town this past week for meetings with the chapter. A great deal was accomplished and we are ready to continue pushing forward. Other than meetings with all of chapter council, Alex led a chapter wide LEAD session, a chapter level recruitment builder, a committee structure meeting, and a best practice of Honor Board. During his LEAD session, Alex discussed the General Fraternity’s history as well as breaking down the governance of the Fraternity. We talked about the high council, Grand Chapter, headquarters, and much more. The candidates learned a lot in a short period of time and already understand how to recruit based on values.



Candidate Class test 1

Sigma Nu tests

The candidate class will have 8 tests during their program. They must score at least a 75 on all tests to pass. If one person fails, then the class has to retake the test until they all pass. If a candidate fails 2 tests, he will be taken to honor board, and if he fails 3 he will be dismissed from the program. The material is very in depth and coincides with what they learn through the online portion of LEAD. This past week they were tested on the Greek Alphabet, the 5 objects, and the creed. They also will have sessions 1 and 2 completed online by Sunday. One thing I want them to understand is they are 1 not 9 individuals. This helps to establish accountability for each of the individuals.

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This past Tuesday, February 18, Eric Degen and myself took the candidates to R.J. Pope, which is a men's dress store that specializes in clothes for a southern gentleman. The candidates worked on their ability to tie different knots with a tie and bowtie. They also learned what type of shoes and the type of clothes you wear with different occasions; business casual vs. business professional. They enjoyed their time there.

What the candidates are looking forward to with Sigma Nu

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Nick masters, " I like the diversity of the Fraternity and look forward to the success in the future".

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Bryan Taylor," My dad is a Sigma Nu and he still keeps in touch with his fraternity brothers. I am excited to have the same when I am his age".

Others: Networking, alumni advisement, long friendships, building for the business world, study hours

Candidates meetings, chapter

The candidates have two meetings a week with me. The first one is on Sunday to go over the last weeks business, take their test, bring up any concerns or questions, set up the calendar for the week, talk about any events through the university, and intermural games. The second meeting is on Wednesday nights, and this is their chapter. One important aspect for candidates to understand before they are initiated is chapter operations. They set up their chapter similar to our chapter (not identical because of ritual). They have role call, each position goes over updates and break down the midpoint of the week. We talk about school, brother's visits, student organizations, and other information. They open and close their chapter with the creed to understand the concept of how we open and close with ritual. Last Saturday, Keith Roughton and Chris Garretson came in to break down academics, how to stay on top of things, time-management, and answer any questions. This was very beneficial and will be useful for the future.



Wrap-up

I want to personally thank each and everyone one of you for all of the support through the rebuilding process. A special thanks to the Alumni Advisory Board and the Housing Corp. for all the hard work they have put in to keep our doors open. We are looking forward to what the future will bring for Sigma Nu. For the first time in a very long time, we are in the good graces of the University and are rebuilding trust with Headquarters. I am available most of the time so feel free to give me a call, shoot me a text or email. Thank you for your time.

Looking forward, we have a busy 6 and a half weeks ahead of us. One key aspect for the candidate process is to keep them all involved extensively in the chapter. Feeling welcomed is beneficial and leads to successful leaders in the future. They all have planners to keep up with day-to-day life and manage their time efficiently. They will be exhausted by the end of the process but they know how beneficial everything they are learning is and how this will lead to future success in the real world.



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*"The past is history,
The Future is a mystery,
The present is a gift."*

Live your life to the fullest and receive the gift of life.
Always strive for excellence. ETT

