

Accessibility of Greek Life at UVA

AN INTER-FRATERNITY COUNCIL CASE STUDY

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Context

SECTION I

A Brief History

- Delta Kappa Epsilon was established in 1852 (First IFC fraternity)
 - Two fraternities were founded at UVA
- Chi Omega was founded in 1927 (First ISC sorority)

- IFC established in 1934 to uphold:
*brotherhood, **scholarship**, friendship, and moral rectitude*

Today

- 31 Fraternities (16 Sororities)
- IFC has 30% participation from the male student body
 - 2,000 students in Fall
 - 2,400 students in Spring
 - Average state school involvement is around 8%

Today

Consistent Positives

- Higher GPAs than non-affiliated student body
- Extensive philanthropic efforts
- A network during school and after

Consistent Challenges*

- Hazing
- Unhealthy Drinking
- Exclusivity

IFC Dues

SECTION II

2018 Recruitment Numbers

The drop off from bids offered to bids accepted is often due to lack of ability to pay for dues

Recruitment
Participants

905



Ten Year Average: (885)

Bids
Offered

598



66%

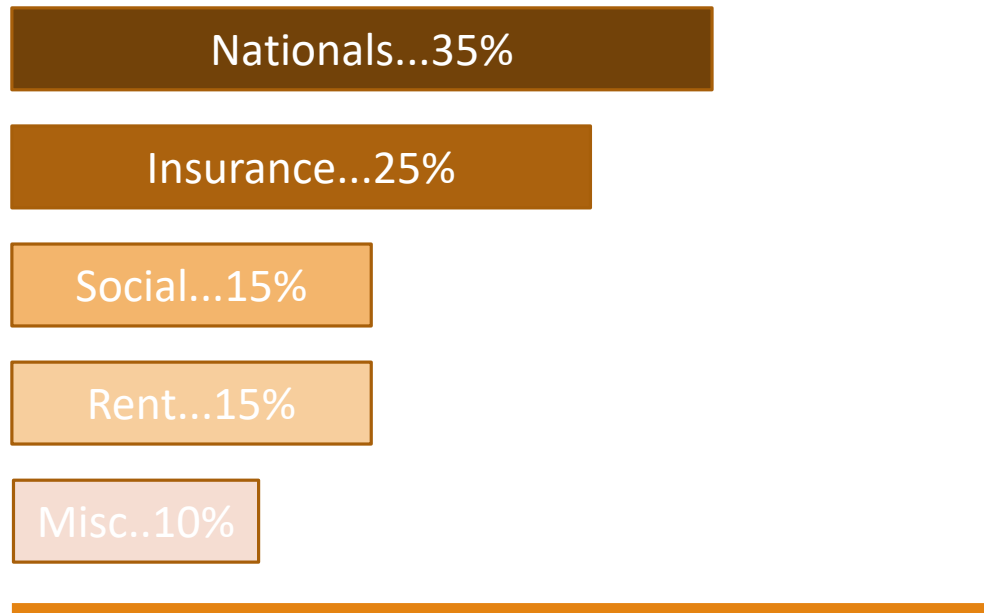
Bids
Accepted

541



58%

Breakdown of IFC Dues

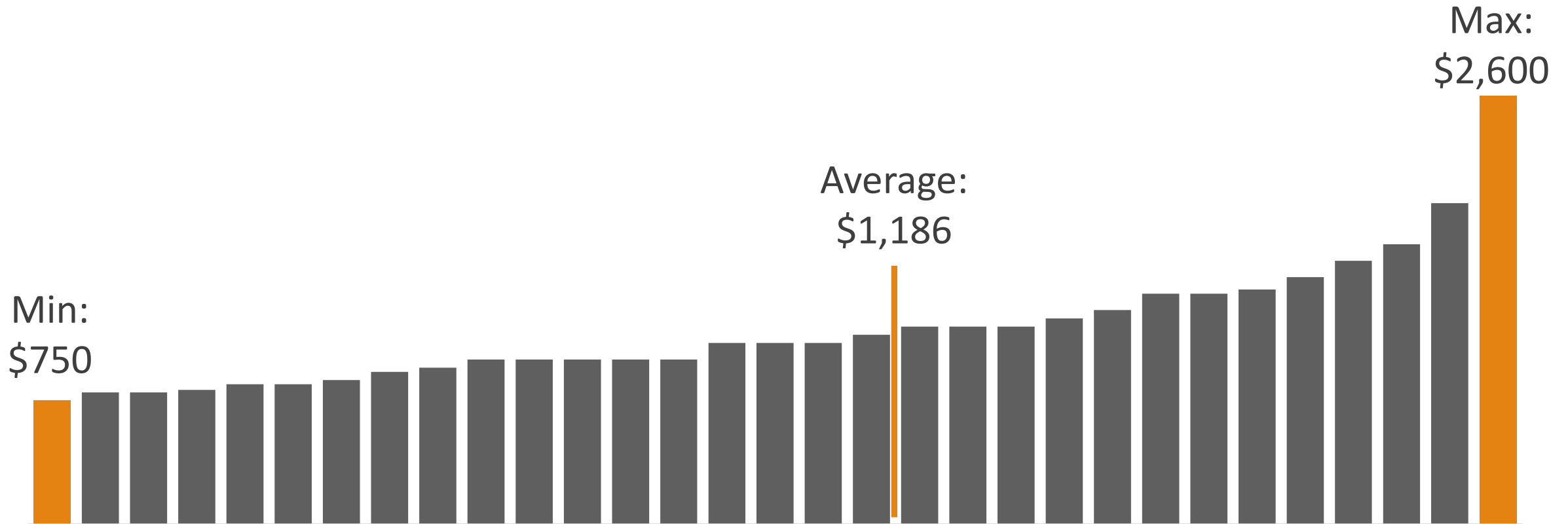


Not Included in Base Dues:

- Meal Plans
- Rent for Living in House

Breakdown of IFC Dues (per semester)

25 chapters indicated that their dues increased in the last 5 years



Attempts to Alleviate Dues

SECTION III

Various Chapter Attempts

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Only 8 UVA Chapters have received scholarships

Varying amounts, most of the time don't cover dues

Competing with the entire country for scholarships

21 Nationals Total

CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIPS

"Received during pledging for over a 3.0 GPA"

"Cover financial costs on a need-to-need basis"

Housing corporation scholarship

12 Chapters Total

Creation of the IFC Scholarship



Year	Number of Applicants	Reason for Applying
2017	12	Would have to work to pay dues // parents would have to pay
2018	26	Would not be in Greek Life without it

Experience Vanderbilt (EV)

Student led initiative that provides **extracurricular** funding for undergrads on need based financial aid

High Level Overview

- 1 Apply at beginning of school year
- 2 Rank three experiences for which they would use the funds
- 3 Recipients are randomly selected from the qualified pool
- 4 Funds distributed directly to the organization or program

Funded by
Donations
From
Alumni and Parents

