Friday, September 10th, 2010

Dear Potential New Member:

We hope you take this opportunity to attain this high honor by participating in the Fall 2010 application process for the Omega Zeta chapter of Order of Omega. Please read this entire letter as it provides an overview of the application process.

Order of Omega is an all-Greek honor society. The purpose of Order of Omega is to recognize those fraternity men and women who have attained a high standard of scholarship, leadership in inter-fraternal activities, and service to the University of Florida and Gainesville communities.

Selection for membership is determined in four ways: academic success, community service, character and leadership within the Florida Greek, UF, and Gainesville communities. To be eligible for membership in the Order of Omega, a student must meet the following minimum requirements:

a. Have completed one full academic year at the University of Florida
b. Junior or Senior standing (60+ hours completed)
c. Meet or exceed the Florida Greek cumulative GPA (3.290 based on Spring 2010 Florida All-Greek GPA)
d. Be in good standing with his or her fraternal organization

Please return the attached application following the required guidelines. We recommend that you approach your chapter President and let them know that you are applying to Order of Omega. Chapter Presidents will be required to sign the applicant’s application to verify that the member is in good standing with the chapter.

Membership within Order of Omega requires a continuous dedication to the organization and the Greek community as a whole. Accepting membership means accepting the responsibility and obligation to the Omega Zeta chapter of Order of Omega. Membership is demanding, and we accept the best Florida Greek leaders and ask them to do more. Attendance in chapter meetings is mandatory, and participation in chapter events is expected each semester.

All qualified persons are encouraged to apply. Please return this application, resume, and typed essay response to Sorority & Fraternity Affairs (310 J. Wayne Reitz Union) no later than 2:00 PM on Friday, September 24th, 2010. Application fee waivers are available in the office and will be granted based on financial need.

If you have any questions about the honorary or application process, please feel free to contact the Vice President of Membership, Michael Stromquist, at uforderofomega@gmail.com.

Thank you for your interest in Order of Omega, and we wish you the best of luck!

Sincerely,

Michael Stromquist
Vice President of Membership

Miriam Stevens
President
2010 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: ___________________________ UF ID: ___________________________

Local Address: ______________________________________________________

Major/Minor: ________________________________________________________

UF email Address: _____________________ Phone #: ___________________

Chapter Affiliation: ________ Council (circle): IFC  MGC  NPHC  Panhellenic

Class Standing (circle): JR  SR  Completed Hours (min of 60 hours) ______________

Semester Initiated in your chapter: ____________ Anticipated Graduation Date: ____________

Please TYPE on a separate sheet of paper the following information (See attached for a sample. Please follow the basic structure and use 12 pt. Times New Roman font.)

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

Use the appropriate section headings below to organize in resume format all positions held (include all accomplishments and dates for positions):

Greek Involvement

Other Campus Activities/Involvement

Other relevant experiences (study abroad, work experience, etc.)

ESSAY

The Greek community here at the University of Florida provides numerous opportunities for all of its members. What is your favorite aspect of Greek life? What have you done to improve this aspect of Greek life? Please attach a 250-500 word response. Please be concise.

All applications are due to Sorority & Fraternity Affairs (310 J. Wayne Reitz Union) by Friday, September 24th, 2010 by 2:00 PM.

I certify that the information given in this application is true. I give the Office of Sorority & Fraternity Affairs and Order of Omega my permission to confirm my GPA for membership purposes only. I also understand that if tapped this semester I must attend initiation on Wednesday, October 6th, 2010 at 7:00 PM, and I am responsible for paying the one-time initiation fee of $100.00 before initiation. Initiation fees cover the costs of graduation chords, organization t-shirts, dues, programming, and other associated operating expenses. Order of Omega has developed a need based payment plan with consideration given on an individual basis.

Applicant’s Signature ___________________________ Date __________

Chapter President’s Signature ___________________________ Date __________