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Biographical/Historical Sketch

Greek Life at the University of Toledo has remained a long standing tradition since the university's founding in 1872. With over 30 different letter organizations, each with their own pledge, history, and mission, the University of Toledo offers students with a wide variety of groups to choose from. These 30 organizations fall under one of four umbrella organizations: the Interfraternity Council, the National Panhellenic Conference, the National Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc., and the Multicultural Greek Council.

Some of the oldest Greek Letter organizations include Alpha Phi Omega, founded in the early 1900's in Lafayette College, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, founded on March 9th, 1856 at the University of Alabama, Sigma Phi Epsilon, founded in Richmond, Virginia in 1901, and Theta Chi, founded in Norwich University in 1856. From these beginnings, the University of Toledo has been able to add many more chapters to the university's history.

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Scope and Content Note

Collection includes pledge materials from Alpha Phi Omega and Sigma Phi Epsilon; the history of Rho Chi Society and Sigma Alpha Epsilon; also the manuals of Theta Chi, Sigma Chi, and Alpha Phi Gamma. It also contains original records and a handbook of Phi Beta Kappa. There is a 1920 edition of Baird's manual of American College Fraternities and an 1881 issue of the University of Michigan's the Palladium (book of secret societies). The files are arranged alphabetically according to the Greek Letter Organization.

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Folder List

Box	Folder	Item Description
1	1	Alpha Phi Gamma: Constitution, ritual book & manual
1	2	Alpha Phi Omega: Pledge Manual (1962)
1	3	Baird's manual of American College Fraternities (1920)
1	4	The Palladium (1881)
1	5	Phi Beta Kappa: The Original Records
1	6	Phi Beta Kappa: Hand-book and general address catalogue (1900)
2	7	Rho Chi: The history of Rho Chi Society (1972)
2	8	Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Paragraph History (1924)
2	9	Sigma Chi: Manual & Directory (1922)
2	10	Sigma Phi Epsilon: Pledge Manual (1949)
2	11	Theta Chi: The Manual of the Theta Chi Fraternity (1954)