

Greetings Freshmen, Parents, and All Who May Not Know Kappa Sigma at Trine University!

This is a letter of welcome and introduction, intended to give you an idea of what our Theta-Xi Chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity is all about. You're receiving this as you arrive at campus and are getting a first hello from a few of our Brothers, and hopefully some help and guidance in moving in and learning your way around campus and Angola.

Our hope is that you will take a few minutes to look over this information. If it seems aligned with your own interests, values, and goals, we encourage you to take the next step and look a little deeper – we'd love to get acquainted with you and your family, and show you around our House on the corner of Moss and Kinney Streets, overlooking the campus, sports facilities, and Zollner Golf Course.



We Kappa Sigs take great pride in our new House, which symbolizes the commitment and solidarity of our Brotherhood. Our House ranks with the very best student housing at TU in quality, functionality, and location. Always aiming to be the best (not the biggest), we built our new house to accommodate 12 resident Brothers in single occupancy bedrooms. We have property and plans ready to expand in the future to 18 bedrooms when the time is right. We have a full commercial grade kitchen, with a Kappa Sigma meal plan and dining facilities to accommodate up to 40, so non-resident Brothers can enjoy group meals before House meetings and on holidays and other special occasions. Currently our Chapter roster stands at 30 Brothers (we graduated 11 Brothers last year). Our undergrads, alumni, advisors, and community mentors cooperate in managing the care and operation of our million dollar property. Building and operating our new House is just one example of how our Brotherhood works together to make sound plans and achieve important goals. The Kappa Sigma experience adds to the great TU classroom education with useful real life business and professional experience so our Brothers are best prepared to land great jobs upon graduation and succeed as they pursue their careers.

We work hard to maintain a Fraternity environment that encourages our Brothers to distinguish themselves and the House through their fellowship, scholarship, leadership, and service. We seek young men of sound upbringing, character, and aspirations, who understand and share our cornerstone values and objectives. Our 58-year Chapter history at TU, and our alumni achievements clearly demonstrate that our Brothers benefit greatly during their college years, and later during their family lives and careers. The attributes that underpin our Brotherhood are timeless: tradition, standards, leadership, responsibility, accountability, loyalty, discipline, sacrifice, teamwork. For those who become Kappa Sigmas, the Brotherhood starts in college and lasts a lifetime, with a rich and varied assortment of experiences shared, objectives achieved, lessons learned, loyalties rewarded, friendships cemented, lives enriched, and lots of laughs and good fun. Every year at our annual Chapter reunion, Brothers spanning 6 decades return to renew their bonds and old friendships, recount war stories, and support their undergraduate Brothers. Our alumni network is broad and strong, always ready to help a Brother if possible.

If you've read this far, you deserve to know that we're not just a bunch of young nerds and old-fashioned curmudgeons. We realize young people's lives are not the same as 10, 20, or 40 years ago. In fact, things are constantly changing – students and families are under immense pressures from many directions. If you like technology, you'll be pleased to learn that our new Kappa Sig house is state of the art, with 2 secure wireless 3G networks, 4 large flat screen HD TVs (2 viewing areas integrated with surround sound and stereo), Ethernet, cable, phone, biometric security locks for every bedroom, full ADA compliance including an elevator, ADT systems for external security, smoke detection, and fire protection. When we moved into the new house last year, the undergrad Brothers decided to make it a non-smoking facility.

We are adaptable and moving forward with the times, but we are also proudly and solidly founded on traditions and timeless values that bring success – in school, in family life, in professions, and in the community. We aim to be more than just a social fraternity during the college years. We aim to put our members on a life path that is worthy, productive, enjoyable, and sustainable, well balanced among the interests of family, work, health, and community. If all this sounds old fashioned, boring, and confining to you, we're probably not a good match. On the other hand, if it sounds sensible, stimulating, and valuable, then maybe we are made for each other. We invite you to seriously consider Kappa Sigma if this measures up well with what you're looking for at TU and beyond.

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Kappa Sigma Fraternity – Theta-Xi Chapter at Trine University

(Please print neatly – we want us to get to know you and you to get to know us.)

Name : _____ Home Town: _____

Major: _____ TU Advisor: _____ GPA: _____

Academic Year : _____ Expected Grad Date: _____ Residence on Campus: _____

Parents' Occupations: _____

Extracurricular Activities / Organizations / Offices _____

Varsity Sport: _____

What further education or career path do you plan to pursue after graduating from Trine University?

What makes Kappa Sigma a good fit for you at TU? _____

What makes you a good fit for Kappa Sigma? _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____