



NPC Position Statement on All-Greek Councils

The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), one of the world’s largest organizations advocating for women, is the trade association for 26 inter/national women’s-only sororities. Through its governance documents known as Unanimous Agreements, NPC supports the creation of a College Panhellenic Association in Unanimous Agreement II, which states that a College Panhellenic Association must be established where two or more NPC sororities have installed undergraduate chapters on campus. These female student-led governing bodies should be a distinct and defined operating unit with their own governing documents (bylaws/standing rules/ethics) that also adhere to NPC Unanimous Agreements adopted by the member organizations. Student leaders are selected by either election or rotation to serve as association officers.

In addition, NPC promotes self-governance through Unanimous Agreement VII, which establishes judicial boards to review member organization infractions of NPC Unanimous Agreements, the College Panhellenic bylaws, membership recruitment rules and guidelines, the College Panhellenic Association code of ethics and College Panhellenic standing rules. This extensive judicial process outlined in Unanimous Agreement VII establishes notice and record-keeping requirements, provides for mediation, assesses sanctions and sets up an appeals process.

The only recognized official campus organization representing NPC and its member sororities is the College Panhellenic Association registered with NPC. All-Greek councils, which can include a variety of groups on campus that represent both men and women’s groups — many of which do not have inter/national supporting organizations or established standards — may not adhere to the same expectations or requirements as those set forth by NPC member organizations. All-Greek councils are not recognized by NPC or its member organizations as official campus groups, particularly as it pertains to maintaining NPC’s single-sex status as a women’s-only organization.

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