Marketing Your Greek Experience

Being Greek doesn't end when you graduate; you acquire skills that will boost your resume and help guide the decisions in your career.

"Letter's Today, Leaders Tomorrow"

GREEK ACTION VERBS:

Achieved, Arranged, Assisted, Attended, Chaired, Collaborated, Coordinated, Entrusted, Led, Organized, Designed, Planned, Ran, Served, Sponsored, Supported, Volunteered, Delegated, Assigned...

REFERENCES:

Greek advisors as well as Greek alumni that you worked with make great references because they can attest to the duties and aide given to the sorority/fraternity during your membership.

***KEEP IN MIND YOU'RE YOUR MEMBERSHIP PROVIDES YOU WITH GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES! You may run into an alumni when you least expect it. ***

Areas for expansion:

Skill Development: Show off the skills you have gained from your Greek experience. Service to your organization in an executive role or even serving on a committee can tell a potential employer about the level of responsibility you can handle as well as the type of work you may succeed in. **Highlighting personal accomplishments such as scholarships or learning experiences such as a national convention all portray a dedicated member. (Attendance at weekly meetings may have helped you develop time management or giving speeches could have helped your public speaking.) The positive prospects are endless.

Volunteering: Community service and philanthropic projects can show a lot about a person. The commitment to activities such as Relay for Life, Adopt-A-Highway or Habitat for Humanity show that you are versatile and care for the community you serve, rather than only for yourself. Teamwork is a great asset to highlight!

Highlighting these skills on your resume:

Leadership: You should include all the committees, chair roles and executive positions you held while in your sorority/fraternity. Include when you held these roles as well as a list of duties.

Organization and Time Management: Being involved in other activities in addition to your Greek experience is an accomplishment in itself. Highlighting these skills helps show an employer that you can multi-task and maintain a healthy balance in the workplace.

Teamwork: You should include any statistics about the projects you have completed (the number of members you oversaw, how many people attended events) and the tasks you followed through on.

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