

## Recommendations Submittal Form

**a. Recommendation Index:**

Title Eligibility For Membership (Article IV (b)) (6 Words Max)  
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**b. Submittal Information:**

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**c. Endorsement:**

Submittal of this Recommendation was endorsed by \_\_\_\_\_  
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**d. Research:**

**This Recommendation will have a Financial Impact on:**  
 Candidates for Membership  Brothers  Chapters  Districts  Fraternity  
 Estimate of Annual/One-Time Financial Impact \_\_\_\_\_  
**This Recommendation will affect:**  
 Constitution  By-Laws  New Membership Policy  Dues  Other Procedure

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**e. Recommendation:**

*Insert text of the Recommendation. Limited to 25 words or less. (Rationale to be indicated below):*

**Change Article IV(b) to allow undergraduate initiation through a Graduate Chapter**

**f. Rationale:**

Insert text that describes the rationale for the Recommendation and other supporting comments. Limited to 250 words or less:

Currently the By Laws do not authorize undergraduates to be initiated through a Graduate Chapter yet this is and has been done for the purpose of reactivating an Undergraduate Chapter or in instances where no undergraduate chapter exists. In order to make this practice compliant with our By Laws Article IV(b) should be ammended to read as follows:

Initiation into the Fraternity through a Graduate Chapter requires the candidate must either -

- (1) meet all of the requirements for initiation as an undergraduate as listed in (a)(1-3) above and seeking initiation into a graduate chapter because there is no active undergraduate chapter in the area or
- (2) have at least a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university recognized by the Fraternity

**g. History:**

This Recommendation is:       New       Previously Submitted

If Previously Submitted, indicate:      Grand Conclave # \_\_\_\_\_

Host City \_\_\_\_\_

**h. Referral:**

This Recommendation should be referred to: Constitution & By Laws  
*Committee or Office*

- (d) Each year one issue of the Oracle shall be dedicated to Undergraduate Achievement.
- (e) The Oracle shall only be published by the "Editor to the Oracle," who shall receive a stipend per completed issue; and the stipend amount shall be determined by the Supreme Council.

**District and Chapter Bylaws**

The Districts and Chapters shall have the right to adopt Bylaws for the regulation of their affairs so long as such Bylaws are not inconsistent with, nor prohibited by, the Constitution and Bylaws of the Fraternity.

**Article III**

**Organization and Establishment of Chapters**

**Section 1** – At least eight (8) members of the Fraternity shall be required to organize and establish a Chapter.

**Section 2** – If a Chapter already exists in a geographic location, no charter shall be issued for a subsequent Chapter in the same geographic location, except on the petition of at least twenty-five (25) members in good standing who would be members of the proposed Chapter.

**Article IV**

**Eligibility for Membership**

Eligibility for membership in the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. shall be restricted to men who meet the following criteria.

- (a) Initiation into the Fraternity through an Undergraduate Chapter requires at a minimum that the candidate have:
  - (1) Completed one and one-half (1/2) or more years of college;
  - (2) A grade point average of not less than 1.5 on a 3.0 scale, 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, or 3.5 on a 5.0 scale;
  - (3) Certifiable status as a registered full-time student working toward a baccalaureate degree; and,
  - (4) Completed such other qualifications as may be imposed by the respective degree granting college/university at which the Chapter located.
- (b) Initiation into a Graduate Chapter requires at a minimum that the candidate have at least a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college/university recognized by the Fraternity.
- (c) Induction as an Honorary Member requires that that candidate shall have:
  - (1) Exhibited extraordinary accomplishments in his personal and/or professional life;
  - (2) Been recommended for membership by a majority vote of the Supreme Council; and,
  - (3) Been approved for membership by the Grand Conclave.
- (d) The Grand Basileus and/or Supreme Council shall have no authority to create or sanction any other form of membership.

**Article V**

**Eligibility for Voting at Grand Conclaves**