The Distinguished Gentlemen’s Club
Sponsored by

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc
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Membership Application
2015
Description of Gentlemen’s Club
The aim of the club is to introduce young African American men to the complex array of the Black male’s plight and the infrastructure of the Black Greek-lettered fraternity. This will be accomplished by attendance of eight training seminars and reading of books that, in our view, best capture the dynamics of the black male image in what we deemed the search of the Black “gentlemen”. This year the program will also be offered as an Agricultural Leadership Education and Communication (ALED) 380 three-hour credit.

Program Goals
- Improve academic standing of African American men participating in the program
- Increase positive visibility of African American men
- Improve and increase African American men’s working relationship with faculty and administration
- Create an environment conducive of unity in the African American community specifically impacting males
- Introduce men to the possibility of participation in fraternity life

Learning Outcomes:
Students will be able to
- Explain the concept of leadership
- Identify helpful resources which aid in academic achievement
- Demonstrate effective small group dynamics
- Apply knowledge of university, and local policies and procedures while learning the impact on themselves and other constituents
- Apply intrapersonal and critical thinking competencies
- Develop a vision for professional/personal growth congruent with one’s passions, values, and skills
- Articulate the advantages and challenges of a diverse society

Program Overview
Executive Board
The Executive Board (EB) will consist of one member of each NPHC fraternity and four non-Greek members. The Executive Board will offer approximately sixty to eighty men invitations to apply for membership into the “Gentlemen’s club”. The candidates for membership will be selected based on level of motivation, academic status, commitment to self-awareness, and the ability to adhere to code of ethics and program policies. Membership to the club is exclusive and highly competitive, offering membership only to candidates that score high on both application and interview.

The Gentlemen’s Club is an eight-week membership with new members selected each semester by application and interview process. The men whom are selected will be divided into four study groups of no more than 15 men. The club will meet weekly for seminars while also attending a weekly...
academic study session with their subgroup chaired by the Executive Board. The weekly seminars will cover a myriad of topics ranging from African American identity to interpersonal relationships.

**Expectations of Club members**

- Attend mandatory weekly DGC meetings and retreat. Meetings on Mondays at 7:00 -10 pm. 
  January 25  February 8  February 22  March 7  March 21  April 4  April 18

  **Retreat to Memphis, Tennessee:** February 26-28, 2016
  **Graduation:** April 25, 2016

- Attend NPHC fraternity’s programs or service activities
- Submit a contract to their academic advisor stating they are involved in the program
- Select one staff or faculty member to be a point of contact for weekly check-in. This check-in is intended to be informal and brief in nature and should act as a catalyst for men to become acquainted with their professors and/or academic advisor
- Members with less than a 2.5 cumulative GPA are required to enroll in academic skills training program through Student Counseling and must receive a certificate of completion
- Pay a $100.00 membership fee which will cover all food, supplies, t-shirt, and miscellaneous items
- Maintain contact with Executive Board
- Comply with the Gentlemen’s Code of Ethics
- Complete content questionnaires

**Compliance Deficiency**

Failure to comply with expectations may result in immediate termination of membership and submission of all organization resources.

*Any member may be removed from the club by unanimous vote of the Executive Board or failure to adhere to the code of ethics.*

**Contact Information**

Any question please contact:
Tammie Preston-Cunningham at 979-862-5636 or tammiec@greeklife.tamu.edu
Please TYPE or PRINT in ink.
(Application due November 18, 2015 possible interviews November) please sign-up for interview time
when you submit your application to Koldus 224

T-shirt size______ Attach a photo and Résumé

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Email

Answer the following on a separate sheet of paper: (please limit each question answer to five sentences)

1. What do you hope to gain by membership to the club?
2. What is your reaction to the word “leader”?
3. Are there certain qualities that a leader must have in order to be successful? If so, what are they? (Why or why not?)
4. Who served as significant role models for you before coming to college and why?
5. Please describe the role African American students’ play on campus? Explain the role African American males play on campus.
6. What are the three most important things that African American students at Texas A&M must possess to be successful?
7. If barriers exist for African American males at Texas A&M, what are they?
8. List all major commitments and/or jobs you will or plan to engage in during the next year.
9. Are you interested in registering for this as a class? If yes, please register as ALEC 380 Monday section.

This constitutes my consent and authorization to disclose any relevant information to the appropriate parties in Gentlemen’s Club concerning my character or academic status for determination of my suitability for membership. I also affirm all information on this application is correct and give permission for verification.

Signature ___________________________ Date ________________

Application Due Date: Wednesday 18, 2015 by 5 p.m. to Tammie Preston-Cunningham in the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life Koldus 224, at that time please sign-up for an interview time. Interviews will be held November 23-25, 2015. If you have, any questions contact tammiec@greeklife.tamu.edu or 979-862-5636.

ONLY TURN IN THE APPLICATION PAGE AND THE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS