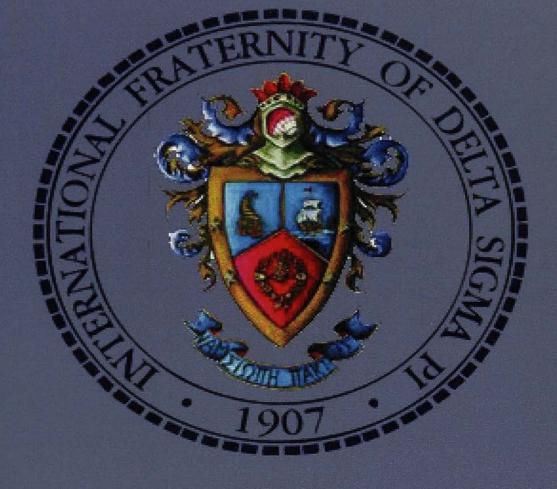
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700 Pelham Road North Jacksonville, Alabama 36265 Petition For A Chapter Charter

By The Theta Omega Sigma Colony

Of The International Fraternity Of

Delta Sigma Pi

At

Jacksonville State University

February 20th, 2015



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Dear Members of the Board of Directors:

We, the undersigned, the members of the Theta Omega Sigma Colony at Jacksonville State University, hereby submit this petition, requesting affiliation with Delta Sigma Pi. In submitting this petition, we seek to uphold the mission and purpose of Delta Sigma Pi.

The Theta Omega Sigma colony has met and exceeded the requirements necessary to become a chapter stated in the National Bylaws. Attached are the required documents including letters of recommendation, history of Jacksonville State University, summary of the College of Commerce and Business Administration, list of events conducted by the colony, and also member biographies.

Sincerely, the following signed members of the Theta Omega Sigma Colony:

Chris Brown, President

Brian Bailey, VPCO



Hector Lopez-Perez, VPCS

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Sydney Harding, SVP

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Carlos Atilano, Chancellor

Tiffani Bostek, VPSA

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II. Letters of Recommendation

Delta Sigma Pi Board of Directors c/o. Delta Sigma Pi Central Office 330 South Campus Avenue Oxford, OH 45056

Dear Board of Directors:

It is my pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for my support of the Theta Omega Sigma Colony at Jacksonville State University for their Petition to Charter to become a Chapter of Delta Sigma Pi. Since Theta Omega Sigma was established on October 21, 2013, I have seen the colony fight through adversity and make the necessary adjustments to get to the point where the colony is today. Theta Omega Sigma has held numerous professional and community service events that have benefitted both the colony and Jacksonville State University as well. The professional events during this past semester included Time Management, Personal Finance, Resume Workshop, and The Process of Filing a Claim in Small Claims Court. Theta Omega Sigma has benefitted from these events that they can take out and use in the business world after their days at Jacksonville State University are over.

Theta Omega Sigma's community service events included making baskets for the senior citizens of Jacksonville. The colony partnered up with another organization on campus, The Wesley Foundation, for this successful event. The colony also sent Christmas cards for soldiers, conducted clothes drive, a coat and blanket drive for the needy as well as doing clean up after Jacksonville State basketball games.

Theta Omega Sigma has been real impressive with their recruiting efforts. Theta Omega Sigma consists of all freshmen and sophomores with a couple of juniors in the mix that will be with the group for two more years. The colony has grown and developed very well on campus since their establishment. Theta Omega Sigma has had representation at both the Southern Provincial LEAD in Orlando in 2014 and the Atlanta LEAD School in October 2014. The colony has attended functions with the Birmingham Alumni Chapter as well. The energy and momentum that Theta Omega Sigma has created as a colony will continue when they become a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi. I truly believe that Theta Omega Sigma will carry the ideals of Delta Sigma Pi as a chapter going forward. If you have any additional questions, or if I can provide any additional information to support their petition, please do not hesitate to ask.

Fraternally,

H. Lee James Central Gulf Region Vice President International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi Lambda Rho 222



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, ECONOMICS, AND ACCOUNTING JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

2/2/2015

Delta Sigma Pi Board of Directors 330 South Campus Avenue Oxford, OH 45056

Dear Directors:

Please allow me to make a formal recommendation for a Delta Sigma Pi chapter at Jacksonville State University. I have worked with several of the interested students and believe them to be sincere in their quest to establish this relevant, viable, successful organization on our campus.

Last fall I was introduced to the eager, hard-working students and asked to make a presentation on personal finance during one of their meetings. I found them to be engaged, professional, and determined. Their initiative in pushing for this organization speaks highly of their time-management skills, their character and drive, especially when so many of them work several hours a week to help pay for college.

To conclude, I highly recommend that you authorize a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi at Jacksonville State University. Should you have any questions or concerns, I ask that you contact me at <u>cmccarty@jsu.edu</u> or 256-782-5777.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cynthia S. McCarty, PhD



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Department of Finance, Economics and Accounting February 17, 2015 (256) 782-5776 phone (256) 782-8346 fax www.jsu.edu

To: The Board of Directors Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity 330 South Campus Avenue Oxford, Ohio 45056

Dear Delta Sigma Pi Directors:

I am writing this note on behalf of the Theta Omega Sigma Colony of Delta Sigma Pi who are affiliated with the College of Commerce and Business Administration at Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville Alabama.

I have served as the faculty advisor for the colony since the initial discussions of organizing a chapter began in December 2013. The spring 2014 semester was a struggle as the officers initially elected into their positions were overloaded with activities and did not have the time needed to promote the colony. This situation was addressed and the progress during the current academic year has been substantial. I teach multiple night classes so it is hard for me to make many of the meetings, but I am available for the members during my time on campus or otherwise as needed.

I have been extremely impressed by the efforts of the current officers as well as all members as they work to move from Colony to Chapter status. Jacksonville State University is an institution where most of our full time students also have jobs that require much of their time so they can afford to go to school. I knew from the beginning that finding enough students that could devote the time necessary for success would be our biggest challenge. Our members have been marketing the Colony through various events on an ongoing basis and have arrived at a level where we can move forward. They have taken steps to increase the awareness of the Colony across the entire campus with great success. I have also been impressed by the relationships developed by the members in a short period of time. I have witnessed strong friendships being developed as they undertake the community service, professional, and fundraising activities. They really enjoy spending time together and they work well as a team.

I strongly support their petition for a Chapter as I believe the current officers and membership are well positioned to increase the membership of the fraternity as well as to maintain the standards established by Delta Sigma Pi.

Cordially,

John Sneed Professor of Accounting



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February 19, 2014

Delta Sigma Pi Board of Directors c/o Delta Sigma Pi Central Office 330 South Campus Avenue Oxford, OH 45056

Dear Board of Directors:

It is with great pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for the Theta Omega Sigma Colony at Jacksonville State University. I have been serving as District Director for the Colony since August 2014 and can attest to the professionalism and brotherhood within the Colony.

The Theta Omega Sigma Colony has grown since their inception. The Colony has grown professionally through their professional events with topics on personal finance, time management, taxes, resumes, dispute resolution and economic factors. They have bettered the community and University through community service events from picking up trash, supporting our troops, ALS ice bucket challenge, and clothing and blanket drives for the needy. The Colony has had several fundraising events from selling baked goods, hot chocolate, raffle tickets and restaurant sponsored dinners. The recruitment program has been successful in attracting new members as well as a chance to socialize. Finally, the Colony is involved with the SGA through the Organizational Council and is beginning to socialize with other organizations on campus.

Theta Omega Sigma Colony has also been involved on a regional level. The Colony has sent members to the 2014 Orlando Lead Provincial and the 2014 Lead in Atlanta. Currently there are 5 members signed up for the 2015 Birmingham Lead Provincial and members looking forward to GCC in Chicago.

The diversity and history of the Theta Omega Sigma Colony has prompted my recommendation. Being involved with them on a personal level I have witnessed the professionalism, leadership, involvement and excitement surrounding the Colony. It is with this I recommend the Theta Omega Sigma Colony to be allowed the honor of becoming a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi.

If you have any questions, 1 invite you to contact me directly at 770-386-0582.

Fraternally,

Daniel Gaines District Director of the Theta Omega Sigma Colony International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi Nu Pi 148

III. University Information

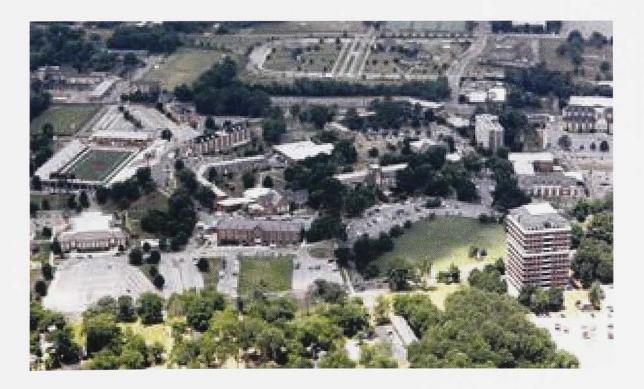
History of Jacksonville State University

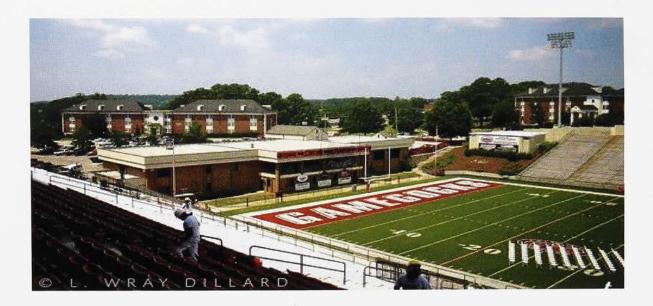
"The friendliest campus in the south," or Jacksonville State University, is a public four-year university that can be found in northeast Alabama at the half-way point between Birmingham, Alabama and Atlanta, Georgia. It was founded on February 22, 1883 as Jacksonville State Normal School. Its name was changed in 1930 to Jacksonville State Teachers College. It wasn't until 1967 that it was changed to the name we have now, Jacksonville State University when the State Board of Education authorized to elevated the College to university status. Right now, the school has 79 buildings spread across the 464 acres of land in Jacksonville, Alabama, but also offer classes at off-site locations in Anniston, Gadsden, and Fort Payne, Alabama.

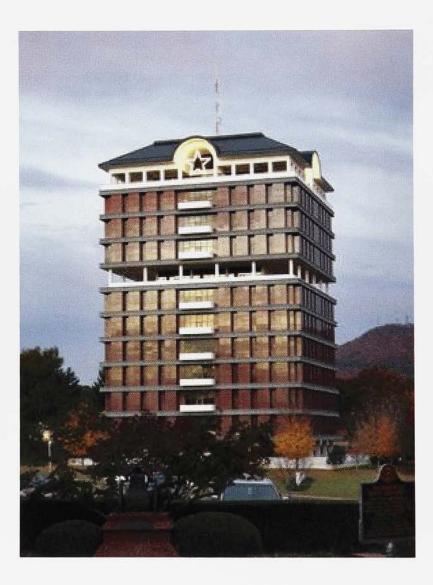
When Jacksonville State University was founded, the Board of Directors elected James C. Ryals as the first president, and only started with three instructors who taught in the mathematics, English, and primary departments. As of now, JSU has four academic colleges: College of Arts and Sciences, College of Commerce and Business Administration, College of Education and Professional Studies, and College of Nursing and Health Services.

Since the beginning, Jacksonville State University has been served by eleven presidents: James G. Ryals, Jr. (1883-85); J. Harris Chappel (1885-86); Carlton Bartlett Gibson (1886-92); J. B. Jarrett (1892-93); Jacob Forney, IV (1893-99); Clarence William Daugette (1899-1942); Houston Cole (1942-71); Ernest Stone (1971-81); Theron E. Montgomery (1981-86); Harold J. McGee (1986-99); and William A. Meehan (1999-present).





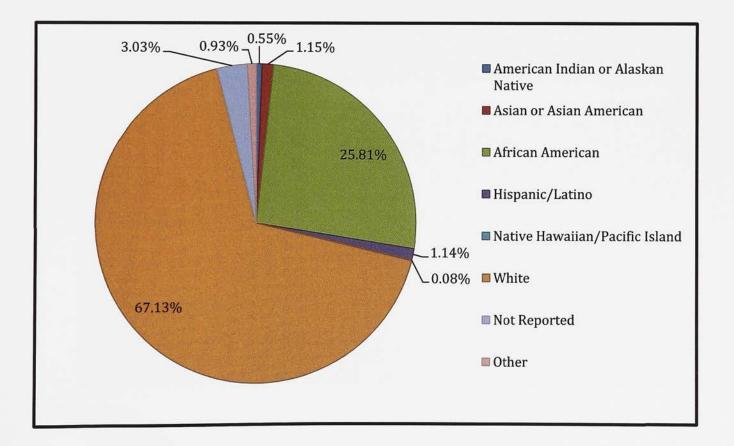




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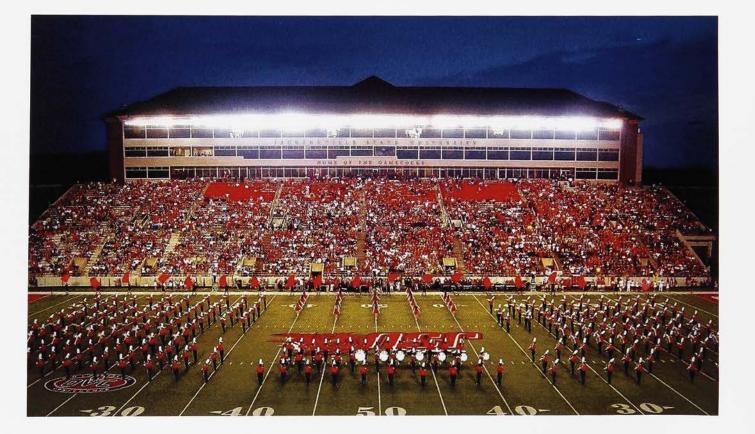
- 7,588 Undergraduate Students / 1,105 Graduate Students
- 5,982 Full-Time Enrolled (69%) / 2,711 Part-Time Enrolled (31%)
- 42% Male / 58% Female
- 204 International Students from 73 different countries (2.3%)

Ethnic Makeup of Students



Academics

- Student to Faculty Ratio: 18:1
- 4,457 Applicants in 2013
- Average ACT Composite Score for First-Time Freshmen: 22.5
- Acceptance Rate 2013: 82.4%
- Percentage of Accepted Students Enrolled: 49%



IV. College of Commerce and Business Administration

The College of Commerce and Business (CCBA) offers courses leading to the Master of Business Administration (MBA). It also offers an area of concentration in business administration and economics within the Master of Public Administration.

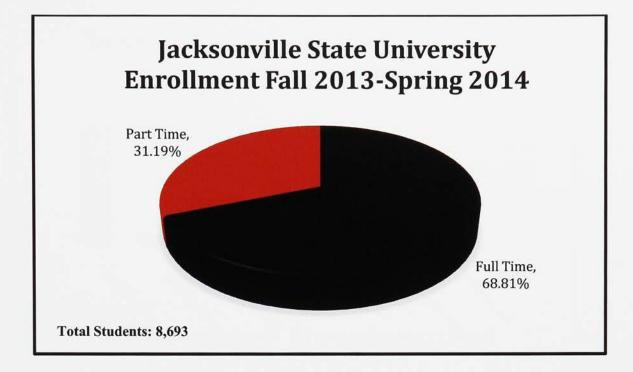
Accredited by AACSB International since 2003, Jacksonville State University Ranks #12 "Best Online MBA AACSB" by Get Educated. The College of Commerce and Business Administration was chosen by Princeton Review as one of "The Best Business Schools". Jacksonville State University's MBA ranked No. 2 in the nation for "Greatest Opportunities for Women" in 2008 and 2009.

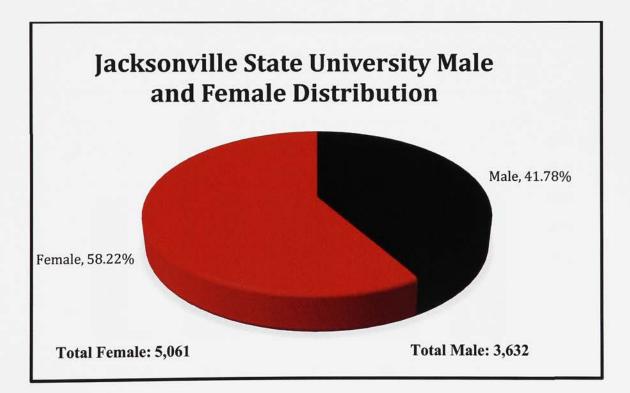
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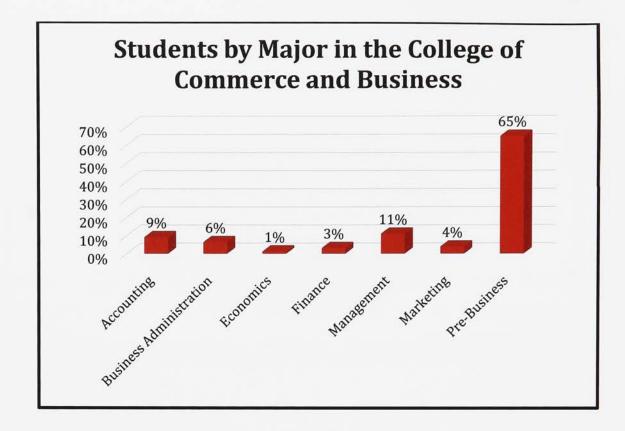
- Accounting
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- Marketing
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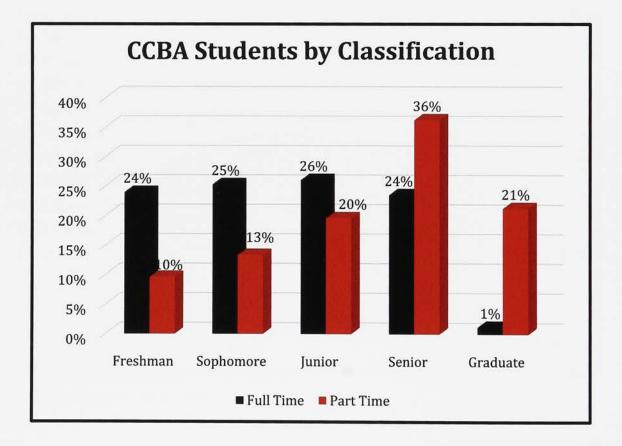
Statistics

- Average undergraduate GPA: 3.18
- Student Faculty Ratio: 15:1
- Top concentration: Accounting
- Acceptance rate: 89%









V. Colony Development

History of the Colony

On October 21, 2013, Trevor Gregory attended an information meeting, hosted by Lee James, Central Gulf Region Vice President, about starting a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi at Jacksonville State. Also at that informational meeting was Patrick Murphy, Birmingham Alumni Chapter President; Matthew Norman, Vice President of Collegiate Relations; Michelle Cain. Golden Council Member and Birmingham Alumni Chapter Member; and Sherry Flood, Golden Council Member. After this meeting, Trevor began to network and communicate the idea of starting a colony within the school of business. Word soon got around and another informational meeting led by Matthew Norman was held on November 4th, 2013. At that meeting, there were a handful of students that would soon pave the way to where we are today. At that meeting, we signed our letter of intent, picked our colony letters, and assigned officer positions to the few members we had.

Since it was the end of the semester, the weeks following that meeting were crucial. We met the next two Tuesday nights at 7pm in Merrill lobby and discussed how the colony process worked, brought in new members, and assigned more officer positions.

The Spring 2014 semester brought a fresh start to the colony. Dr. John Sneed had decided to be our colony advisor and was very supportive throughout our process as a colony. We met on Monday's at 6:30 in room 105 of Merrill, and at these meetings, we planned and discussed the events necessary for fulfilling our requirements to send in our petition. Though we understood what we had to do and had many plans for events, we had a very hard time with officers executing the necessary actions to fulfill our requirements. We also had little involvement from our President at the time, which trickled down to all other members. This is was a very rough time for the colony and almost led to her demise. All hope seemed to be lost and the members that we did have at the time, started to become uninterested with the colony because of the lack of action that was taking place. Our former President noticed this and realized that she could no longer fulfill her requirements and Hector Lopez took over as President.

After this change in Presidency happened, things started to look up. Hector was very energetic about the colony and brought in many new members that are still with us today. Since this semester brought its share of hardship and miscommunication, we only managed to have a few events, such as a professional event, a "Meet the Colony" table in the lobby of Merrill, a movie night, and a few social events.

Throughout the summer of 2014, colony officers met twice to discuss events for the upcoming semester. We were able to attend many Freshman Orientation days and met many prospective students at those days as well as got our name out even more.

At the beginning of the Fall 2014 semester, we had our first meeting in which only four members showed up; we knew things had to be different or else this was not going to work. Luckily, we got to meet Danny Gaines. He was pivotal in our attempts to plan and coordinate events and really helped us get the ball rolling. He really dedicated himself to making sure our attempts from here on out were successful and was great in teaching us how to plan and execute. We held exponentially more events that the previous semester including professional, social, community, and fundraiser events. We also began having separate officer meetings so that we could plan and coordinate events more strategically instead of debating over details in our regular colony meetings.

At the end of the fall semester, we held our first official elections for the Spring 2015 semester, which brought in a great group of officers. We were now prepared more than ever to complete the requirements for our petition. Since then, the Theta Omega Sigma colony has fulfilled all requirements necessary of the Colony including eight professional events, ten community service events, multiple social events, and has fundraised the necessary funds with twenty-eight active and ready members, here on this day, February 20th, 2015.

Colony Events

January 14th, 2014 – February 17th, 2015: Colony Meetings

The colony has consistently held weekly meetings throughout the entire colony process. Early on, these meetings consisted of planning for upcoming events and discussing requirements for becoming a chapter. Now, we conduct officer reports and discuss new business so that when we become a chapter, there is a smooth transition into having normal Chapter meetings.



February 28th- March 2nd, 2014: Southern Provincial LEAD School Two members from the colony decided to jump in headfirst and attend their first LEAD. They traveled with the Nu Pi Chapter at Kennesaw State and split the costs. After coming back, they were more determined than ever to complete the petitioning process. They also learned a ton, made many new friends, and had a great time.

March 3rd, 2014: Professional Speaker - Dr. Ben Hardy

Our first professional speaker, Dr. Hardy, came and spoke to the colony about hazing in college fraternities and how that someone may could even loose their life from participating in certain kinds of activities. The colony enjoyed having their first speaker and it felt good to start getting some events under our belt. March 6th, 2014: Movie Night – "The Internship"

The colony hosted a movie night in room 250 of the business building (Merrill). We invited many guests and enjoyed pizza and drinks.

March 17th, 2014: Social Event – Dinner at Jefferson's After one of our weekly meetings, we all joined up at Jefferson's and enjoyed some of their famous wings.

April 12th, 2014: Community Service – Post-Football Game Clean Up For our first Community Service event, we teamed up with the custodial crew and helped clean up after a pre-season scrimmage football game.

April 15th, 2014: Social Event – Dinner at Loco Mex The colony enjoyed a great night out with friends and other members at our local Mexican restaurant, Loco Mex, for Taco Tuesday.

May 28th, 2014: Social Event - Six flags Trip Some colony members took a trip to Six Flags over Georgia and invited a few friends. We were able to get the group discount and we all had a great time!

June- July 2014: Recruitment - Summer Orientation Table During the summer months of June and July, a couple of colony members set up a table at JSU's Freshman Orientation. We were able to attend every orientation date and meet many new freshman students and get the word out about the colony.

September 8th, 2014: Community Service/Fundraiser – ALS Ice Bucket Challenge The colony was challenged by our very own Lee James to do the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge. We raised \$50 from supporters and there were four of us that were chosen to get ice dumped on them. We had a great time and really enjoyed being able to raise money for such a great cause.

September 22nd, 2014: Professional Speaker – LTC Shakleford Lieutenant Colonel Shakleford came and spoke to the group about time management. We learned about important is was to plan each day and appoint a certain amount of time to each event so that we don't get behind. September 23rd, 2014: Fundraiser – Strut's Spirit Night Strut's, a local wing restaurant in Jacksonville, gave us the opportunity to host a Spirit Night and receive 10% of the profits from that night's sale. We were able to get the word out and get a little more money to apply to our charter fees.

September 29th, 2014: Professional Speaker – Dr. Cynthia McCarty Dr. McCarty came and spoke to the group about personal finance and how important it was to keep track of one's spending, especially in college.

October 2nd, 2014: Community Service – Fruit Baskets for Elderly The colony teamed up with the Wesley Foundation on campus and made a trip to Wal-Mart to purchase goods to make fruit baskets for the elderly. We were glad that we got to brighten someone's day with these baskets, as well as help out another on campus organization.

October 13th-November 10th, 2014: Fundraiser – Raffle For this fundraiser, we sold raffle tickets to friends and family to win a new HDTV, a Loco Mex gift card, or a JSU window flag. This was a great success and we had many people buy multiple chances.

October 17th, 2014: Fundraiser - Halloween Bake Sale At this event, we teamed up with the Students for Equality Club and sold Halloween baked goods in the lobby of the student commons building. We had a great time and made some new friends.





October 17th-19th, 2014: LEAD School

We were fortunate enough to have a few new members go to LEAD this semester. Just like last time, they had a great time and made lots of new friends.

October 17th, 2014: Community Service – Pop Tabs at LEAD When our members went to LEAD, they brought with many pop tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House.

October 21st, 2014: Movie Night – "Office Space" To take a little break for the mid-semester grind, we held a movie night in Merrill and invited friends to watch "Office Space".

October 27th, 2014: Professional Speaker - Lola Johnston Lola Johnson, from Career Services, came and spoke to the group about what they have to offer in Career Services and how they can help with job placement and internships.

November 3rd, 2014: Professional Speaker – Lela Yahn Lela Yahn is actually the mother of one of our colony members, Peyton Yahn. We invited her to come and speak and she talked about the process of filing a small claims lawsuit while running a business. It was a very interested topic and something that one normally would not think about when opening a business.

November 17th, 2014: Elections for Spring 2015

This is the first time we have officially voted for officers and we were very glad that Danny Gaines could help us through the process. We were able to hold elections just like we would if we were a chapter and it was a great learning experience for everyone.



November 18th, 2014: Community Service - Game Night

This event was a joint community service and social event. We had a board game night but charged admission of one can of food. We had a great time and enjoyed bringing out some childhood games.



December 1st, 2014: Professional Speaker – Dr. Chris Westley Dr. Westley is an Economics teacher at JSU and came and spoke to the group about the U.S. Debt Crisis and the economic state of the U.S. and the world. It was a very interesting topic and had us all asking a lot of questions.

December 1st, 2014: Community Service – Clothes Drive

The colony held another clothes drive and brought in multiple bags full of clothes that we were able to donate to a member's local church. The church has a "Clothes' Closet" that give clothes to low-income families who cannot afford them.



December 3rd, 2014: Community Service – Christmas Cards for Soldiers The colony got together and filled out Christmas Cards for military members. We have a few of our own that are in the military and asked them to hand them out at their next training weekend.

December 3rd, 2014: Community Service - Basketball Game Clean Up We joined up with the custodial crew again, but this time, it was for a basketball game. After a close game, we helped put up chairs and clean up trash after the game and were able to speed up the normal process of cleaning up exponentially.



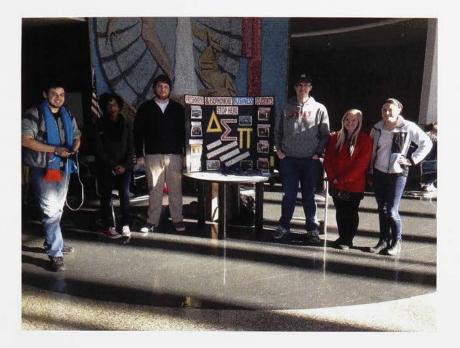
December 4th- 5th, 2014: Community Service/Fundraiser: Finals Survival Kits For our last event of the year, we made "Finals Survival Kits" to sell in the student commons building. This sale lasted for two days and we had a great time with this one. Each "Kit" included a bottle of water, a Delta Sigma Pi stress ball, pencils, candy, and more! Everyone loved the idea and we are looking forward to doing this every semester!

December 12th, 2014: Officer's Retreat

The new officers for the Spring 2015 semester got the chance to have an officer's retreat at Danny Gaines' home in Piedmont, AL. We got to talk about the upcoming semester, plan a lot of great events, and enjoy time by the fire. Many great things came out of this retreat and we are looking forward to the next one.



January 8th, 12th, 13th, 2015: Recruitment - Meet the Colony We planned multiple "Meet the Colony" events for this semester since we were getting down to the wire for recruitment. We gave away free stress balls to all who gave us their information and made a lot of new contacts and relationships.



January 20th, 2015: Recruitment Free Chili Day

For another recruitment event, we made chili to give away to the business students as they were going from class to class through the lobby of Merrill. A member's parents donated the chili, so the event was very low-cost. We brought in new members from this event and really enjoyed giving away free, hot food on a cold day!

January 20th, 2015: Resume Workshop – Lola Johnston

Lola Johnston joined us again to speak not only about our careers, but our resume's and how important they were! She went over the do's and do not's of resume writing and even showed us some tricks to getting ours noticed over the competition!

January 21st, 2015: Recruitment - "Dollar Bowling with DSP" For another social event to relax after getting back in the routine for school, we took a trip over to Anniston, AL and enjoyed bowling together. Each game was only \$1 so there was no reason NOT to go! All that went had a great time and great fellowship.

February 10th, 2015: Professional Event – Barbara Tetter Barbara from H&R Block in Jacksonville, AL came over to speak to the group about taxes and why it is so important to file one's taxes correctly and thoroughly. We learned a lot from this speaker and had many questions answered as well. Who knew tax code was so complicated? Februarys 2nd- 13th, 2015: Community Service – Center of Hope Donation For our last community service project, we took up more clothes, blankets, shoes, and coats to have donated to the Center of Hope in Oxford, AL. This event was mainly aimed towards making sure that all members have participated in a community service event since we had so many new members come in at one time.

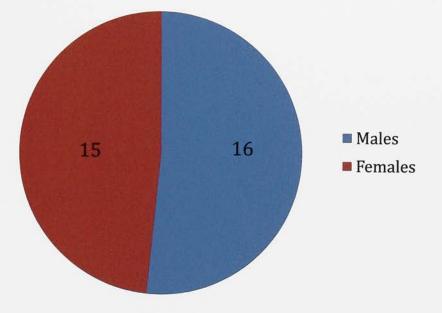
February 12th, 2015: Fundraiser - Hot Cocoa Sale

Finally, as our last event before turning in our petition, we held a hot cocoa sale in the lobby of the student commons building. We originally planned on having a baked goods sale but learned there was another group selling bakes goods as well. So we turned to hot cocoa. It was easy, cheap, and hey, who doesn't love hot cocoa?

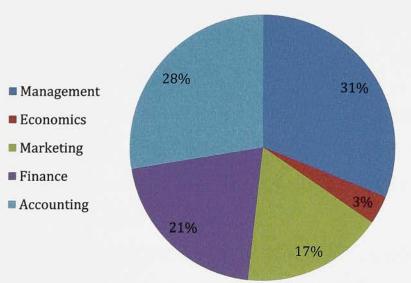


Colony Quick Facts

Colony Gender Diversity (including Faculty)



Majors in the Colony



VI. Colony Founding Members

Chris Brown

President



Hometown: Crossville, AL

Major: Accounting

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2018

Career Goals: Chris just began working at Newpoint Advisors Corporation, a business consultant and turnaround firm, as a Junior Associate. He has really enjoyed working with them thus far and hopes to continue with his career with Newpoint upon his graduation from JSU.

Interests/Hobbies: He enjoys playing in the band at JSU, hunting, hiking, camping, being outside, and being a part of Delta Sigma Pi.

Sydney Harding

Senior Vice President



Hometown: Scottsboro, AL

Major: Marketing

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2018

Career Goals: Sydney aspires to one day work at Proctor & Gamble distribution company or Toys "R" Us.

Interests/Hobbies: She loves dancing, making her own crafts, cats, walking, and being a member in the Marching Southerners as a Ballerina.

Cole Justice

Vice President of Finance



Hometown: Fort Payne, AL

Major: Finance

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2016

Career Goals: Cole wants to become an investment loan officer at a bank or a financial advisor.

Interests/Hobbies: He enjoys golf, tennis, weight lifting, duck hunting, and attending Second Baptist Church.

Brian Bailey

Vice President of Colony Operations



Hometown: Alabaster, AL

Major: Marketing

Minor: History

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2016

Career Goals: Brian wants to enter the sports marketing industry and make his way toward the ultimate goal of becoming a General Manager or Owner of a sports franchise.

Interests/Hobbies: He likes football, food, college, comedy, and Saturday nights on the town.

Carlos Atilano

Chancellor



Hometown: Scottsboro, AL

Major: Finance

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2018

Career Goals: Carlos wants to pursue his master's degree and get a job in personal finances.

Interests/Hobbies: He enjoys watching and playing soccer.

Ben Rissler

Vice President of Professional Activities



Hometown: Ohatchee, AL

Major: Finance

Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2018

Career Goals: He aspires to own a business of his own and be an investor.

Interests/Hobbies: Ben enjoys reading and repairing cars.

Hector Lopez-Perez

Vice President of Community Service



Hometown: Caguas, Puerto Rico

Major: Marketing

Minor: Military Science

Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2016

Career Goals: Hector aspires to be the CEO of Nintendo, Microsoft, Sony, or

Google.

Interests/Hobbies: He enjoys school, vacations, and video games.

Tiffani Bostek

Vice President of Scholarship and Awards



Hometown: Marietta, GA

Major: Accounting

Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2017

Career Goals: She wants to obtain both her Bachelor and Master's degree, as well as receive certification to be a public account.

Interests/Hobbies: Tiffani likes music, mathematics, friends, and family.

Peyton Yahn

Vice President of Alumni Relations



Hometown: Cordova, AL Major: Marketing Minor: Psychology Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2017 Career Goals: Peyton wants to work on the marketing team at Coca-Cola. Interests/Hobbies: She likes spending time with her friends, reading, and watching movies.

Will Adams, Jr.



Hometown: Cartersville, GA

Major: Business Administration

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2016

Career Goals: Will wants to potentially do work in hospital administration. **Interests/Hobbies:** He likes modeling (cars, plane, etc.), drawing, reading, and playing video games.

Carissa Anglin



Hometown: Roanoke, AL

Major: Accounting

Minor: Math

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2017

Career Goals: Carissa wants to become a specialized accountant for medical offices.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys color guard, fitness, and cooking.

Brooke Blair



Hometown: Arab, AL

Major: Finance

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2016

Career Goals: Brooke would love to be a government budget/program analyst. **Interests/Hobbies:** She enjoys being a part of the Marching Southerners, as well as Kappa Kappa Psi.

Nur Chernell



Hometown: Atlanta, GA

Major: Marketing

Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2016

Career Goals: Nur wants to do non-profit work for the UN.

Interests/Hobbies: He enjoys singing, cooking, and playing rugby.

Anna Colegrove



Hometown: Attalla, AL

Major: Accounting

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2018

Career Goals: Anna wants to be a Certified Public Accountant and work for a corporation.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys crafting, baking, hiking, doing volunteer work at her local church.

Jessica Coursey



Hometown: Newnan, GA

Major: Business Management

Minor: E-commerce

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2018

Career Goals: Jessica wants to become a part of the upper level management at

Delta Airlines.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys traveling and reading.

Caimen Dennis



Hometown: Gadsden, AL Major: Accounting Minor: Real Estate Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2016 Career Goals: Caimen plans on going into corporate accounting, more specifically auditing. He also plans on starting a new franchise. Interests/Hobbies: He like cars, guns, and target shooting.

Bailey Everett



Hometown: Fort Payne, AL
Major: Accounting
Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2016
Career Goals: Bailey would like to work for an accounting firm when she graduates and eventually become a Certified Public Accountant.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys baking and doing anything outdoors.

Darrien Grant



Hometown: Bessemer, AL

Major: Finance

Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2016

Career Goals: He would like to work for an investment banking company.

Interests/Hobbies: Darrien likes playing Call of Duty and watching football.

Spentae Jackson



Hometown: Valley, AL

Major: Marketing

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2015

Career Goals: Spentae wants to become a CEO of a record label and create music for the masses.

Interests/Hobbies: He enjoys being a DJ, music engineering, and Photoshop.

Zeneshua Jairrels



Hometown: Anniston, AL

Major: Accounting

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2017

Career Goals: Zeneshua is an aspiring Certified Public Accountant.

Interests/Hobbies: She likes reading and jogging.

Nicole Johnson



Hometown: Marietta, GA

Major: Accounting

Minor: Music

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2017

Career Goals: Nicole has undecided career goals.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys being a part of the Marching Southerners color guard, and music.

Danielle Mason



Hometown: Locust Fork, AL

Major: Accounting

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2018

Career Goals: Danielle wants to obtain certification for Public Accounting and Fraud Examination, and work in the forensic accounting field after receiving her master's degree.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys nature, animals, watching college football, baseball, swimming, and spending time with family and friends.

Ciera Danielle Penton



Hometown: Piedmont, AL

Major: Finance

Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2017

Career Goals: Danielle wants to be successful at whatever career she chooses in the future.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys spending time with her family and friends.

Candice Rittenhouse



Hometown: Rome, GA

Major: Business Management

Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2016

Career Goals: Candice wants to become part of management at a company and enjoy her career every day.

Interests/Hobbies: She enjoys crafting, and being a member of the Marching Southerners, as well as Kappa Kappa Psi, and Sigma Alpha Iota.

Austin Thigpen



Hometown: Florence, AL

Major: Accounting

Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2016

Career Goals: Austin wants to obtain his Master's in Business Administration and Certification for Public Accounting. He also wants a job that he loves, and to fulfill his purpose in life.

Interests/Hobbies: He loves hanging out with people, making new friends, being a Resident Assistant on campus, and being a part of JSU's SGA Senate.

Dr. John Sneed

Advisor



John Sneed has been a member of the College of Commerce and Business Administration at Jacksonville State University located in Jacksonville, Alabama since 2001 and is currently a professor of accounting. Before attending the University of Accounting he worked as a corporate accountant in the defense industry. Dr. Sneed primarily teaches classes in financial accounting and tax.

With a Bachelors of Science in Business Administration with a double-major in accounting and finance and a Masters in

Business Administration from the University of Alabama in Huntsville, as well as a Masters in Accounting and a Ph.D. in accounting from the University of Alabama, Dr. Sneed has dedicated his career to teaching in the area of financial accounting and has been active teaching tax for the last 13 years. His primary research has focused on the unfunded mandates faced by municipal governments as well as on issues relating to pension plans. Dr. Sneed serves as a reviewer for journals sponsored by the Academic and Business Research Institute as well as for the journal "Management Research Review".